

UMDPC CIRCULAR NO 10

To:

All Practitioners, Owners of Health Facilities and the Public.

Commissioner, Immigration/Directorate of Immigration.

SUBJECT: REQUIREMENT FOR REGISTRATION OF FOREIGN MEDICAL AND DENTAL PRACTITIONERS.

UMDPC is government body charged with the supervision of training and practice of medical and dental practitioners in Uganda, Cap 272, UMDPC Act 1996.

UMDPC appreciates all agencies, institutions and individuals that are engaged in inviting health professionals from outside to assist in the health service delivery in Uganda.

However, UMDPC has noted with concern that many agencies/individuals engage these professionals without observing the law. This is illegal and not in interest of public safety and security.

Kindly note that all medical and dental practitioners must be registered with the UMDPC before they practice in this Country. This is aimed at vetting professionals who want to serve here to ensure that they are fully qualified, viable and not a danger to the public. UMDPC can process all registrations within 3 weeks if all necessary documents are available. Registration of professionals to work in any country is an international requirement.

Legal action will be taken by UMDPC and other government agencies against agencies, institutions or individuals who do not follow this guidance.

In addition, UMDPC will shortly give guidelines on the management of all medical and surgical camps organised by local or foreign practitioners for the benefit of all consumers.

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