



**MINISTRY OF HEALTH  
STATE DEPARTMENT FOR PUBLIC HEALTH AND PROFESSIONAL  
STANDARDS**

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**Statement on the Passing of Lucy Wambui**

**Nairobi, Friday November 1, 2024**

The Ministry of Health has received with deep concern the report of Lucy Wambui's tragic passing following complications from a surgical procedure at a Nairobi hospital.

An investigation has been initiated by the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council to thoroughly examine the circumstances leading to this incident. A team has been dispatched to the facility to conduct a fact-finding mission aimed at assessing whether the necessary professional standards were met in Lucy's care. Any evidence of malpractice or deviation from established norms will be addressed with appropriate action, in line with applicable laws.

The Ministry, through the State Department for Professional Standards, reaffirms its commitment to ensuring a skilled health workforce equipped with the competencies necessary for delivering high-quality care. Robust frameworks are in place to regulate healthcare services, uphold ethical standards, protect consumers, and foster public trust in health services.

To safeguard public health, we encourage citizens to verify the credentials of healthcare providers and facilities. Please confirm the status of medical practitioners by sending a free SMS to 20547 using the format: P#Doctor's Name, or to check a hospital, H#Hospital Name.

The Ministry remains dedicated to the continuous improvement of healthcare quality and accountability for the well-being of all Kenyans.

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