



MINISTRY OF HEALTH
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CALL OFF OF CLINICAL OFFICERS' STRIKE

PRESS RELEASE

The Ministry of Health acknowledges the concerns raised by our valued clinical officers and the role they play in making sure that the health of Kenyans is secured. Our clinical officers form part of the larger health workforce that plays a critical role in delivering essential healthcare services to our citizens. Over the past few weeks, our clinical officers and the Ministry of Health have engaged in extensive and progressive consultations with all relevant stakeholders in a bid to find an amicable resolution to the issues at hand.

Today, I am pleased to announce that following productive discussions, the clinical officers' strike has been called off following negotiations between the Ministry of Health and the leadership of our clinical workers' caucus. This marks a significant step in strengthening our healthcare system through dialogue and mutual understanding. The government remains committed to addressing the key concerns raised by our clinical officers while ensuring that the healthcare needs of all Kenyans are met without disruption.

As we advance towards the full realisation and implementation of **Universal Health Coverage (UHC) under Taifa Care**, it is imperative that all healthcare workers—including clinical officers—remain actively engaged in shaping policies that improve working conditions, enhance service delivery and strengthen our healthcare infrastructure. **Constructive engagement and collaboration** remain the best ways to approach our resolve to address challenges we face currently and achieve sustainable solutions in the health sector.

I, therefore, thank all clinical officers who have willingly resolved to resume duty with immediate effect and urge them to continue working towards building a resilient, patient-centered healthcare system that guarantees quality and affordable care for all Kenyans. My Ministry remains open to ensuring that the needs of both healthcare workers and the public are met and/or addressed in a timely manner.

I reaffirm my commitment to the public to ensure that quality, affordable and accessible healthcare services reach all individuals, in line with the government's pledge to leave no one behind.

Thank you.

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