



President Ruto Launches National Ambulance Dispatch Centre

H.E. President Dr. William Samoei Ruto today launched the National Ambulance Dispatch Centre at the Social Health Authority headquarters in Nairobi, marking a major step in strengthening emergency medical response across all 47 counties.

Accessible through the SHA 922 Lifeline, the Centre will coordinate ambulance deployment, emergency referrals and communication between responders and health facilities. Its digital platform supports clinical triage, real-time sharing of patient information and incident management, enabling facilities to prepare for patients before they arrive.



More than 200 accredited ambulances have already been onboarded, supported by 40 trained personnel, including doctors, medical officers, emergency dispatch officers and customer service staff.

The President also flagged off seven advanced ambulances for deployment to Nairobi, Wajir, Turkana, Lamu, Mandera, Nyeri and Kapenguria, strengthening access to emergency and critical care.

The launch was attended by Cabinet Secretary for Health Hon. Aden Duale, Principal Secretaries Dr. Ouma Oluga and Ms. Mary Muthoni, Director-General for Health Dr. Patrick Amoth, national and county leaders, development partners and healthcare stakeholders.





Health PSs Attend 7th Principal Secretaries' Meeting

Principal Secretary for Medical Services Dr. Ouma Oluga and Principal Secretary for Public Health and Professional Standards Mary Muthoni attended the 7th Principal Secretaries' Meeting convened by the Head of Public Service, Mr. Felix Koskei, at the Kenya Agricultural and Livestock Research Organisation headquarters in Loresho, Nairobi.



The meeting reviewed progress in implementing Presidential Directives, project resolutions and key Government priorities.

Mr. Koskei called for faster implementation of Government programmes, greater accountability, prudent use of public resources and stronger action against corruption. He emphasised the delivery of results that attract investment, create jobs and improve services for Kenyans.



Kenya Rolls Out Medicine Track and Trace System

The Ministry of Health, through the Pharmacy and Poisons Board, has rolled out the pilot phase of the National Authentication and Traceability System, which went live on 3 August 2026.

The system will enable health products to be tracked across the supply chain, strengthening the safety, quality and integrity of medicines while supporting efforts to combat substandard and falsified medical products.

Principal Secretary for Public Health and Professional Standards Mary Muthoni said the digital system marks an important step towards securing Kenya's pharmaceutical supply chain and protecting patients.



In an interview on KBC's Good Morning Kenya, the PS also highlighted progress towards Universal Health Coverage under Taifa Care. She encouraged Kenyans to register with the Social Health Authority and use the Lipa SHA Polepole option to access affordable healthcare, including treatment for chronic illnesses such as cancer and kidney disease.

She further reaffirmed Kenya's Ebola preparedness through enhanced surveillance, screening at points of entry, strengthened laboratory capacity, training of healthcare workers and close coordination between the national and county governments.



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