GOVERNMENT OF NAIROBI CITY COUNTY



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REQUEST FOR STATEMENTS

Hon. Speaker.

Pursuant to Standing Order 47(2) (c), I wish to request for a statement from the Chairperson of the Sectoral Committee on Health Services regarding alleged proliferation of illegal health facilities in the County.

Hon. Speaker, Article 43 (1) (a) of the Constitution provides that every person has the right to the highest attainable standard of health, which includes the right to health care services, including reproductive health care. Article 43 (2) also provides that a person shall not be denied emergency medical treatment.

Hon. Speaker, the County has not been able to put in place adequate measure to ensure that both private and public health facilities provide health care service that meet the standards set by the Constitution. This is largely due to alleged proliferation of clinics operated by unqualified persons.

In view of the foregoing, Hon. Speaker, residents of Nairobi are exposed to a myriad of health risks due to amongst others irregular use and prescription of medical substances and use of sub-standard medical equipment. In addition, it has been established that such clinics operate near public hospitals and in many instances collude with rogue County healthcare officers to misappropriate County medicine.

Hon. Speaker, in the statement, the Chairperson should inquire into and report on: -

A list of all health clinics registered to operate it by the County; i.

Whether the County Head of Inspection in Health Facilities liaised with the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentist Council to ensure regulatory measures in place are ii. adhered to by the private clinics;; and

Whether there are any plans in the short term to conduct an operation in liaison iii. with the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentist Council in order to close down

non-compliant health clinics in the County.

Hon. Samson Jera, MCA Member for Lindi Ward

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