



# Kenya Medical Association

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### **KENYA MEDICAL ASSOCIATION STATEMENT ON THE SCHEDULED NATIONAL PROTESTS.**

The Kenya Medical Association (KMA) is the national umbrella professional association for Doctors in Kenya. KMA's twin mandate is to champion for the welfare of doctors and advocate for delivery of quality healthcare in Kenya.

Kenya Medical Association raises concern over the safety of patients and healthcare providers during the upcoming scheduled 'Maandamano' protests. During previous protests, KMA noted that access to healthcare facilities for patients and healthcare providers was hindered resulting in increased morbidity and mortality. We confirm that our members attended to hundreds of injured Kenyans and witnessed tens of fatalities as a result of the protests and the threat of this continuing is worrying.

KMA therefore;

- Calls upon the Government and its security agencies to ensure the safety of healthcare facilities, personnel and patients.
- Encourages individuals seeking medical attention to prioritize their safety and seek care at healthcare facilities equipped to handle emergencies.
- Urges healthcare providers to take necessary precautions and follow established protocols to protect themselves while continuing to provide essential medical services.
- Highlights the ethical responsibilities of healthcare professionals to uphold patient care and support the community during times of crisis. We encourage healthcare providers to remain vigilant, maintain open communication with patients, and provide necessary medical assistance while adhering to professional ethics and code of conduct.
- Appeals for calm and open dialogue to address the grievances leading to the protest while anticipating peaceful resolution of conflict and emphasizing the importance of maintaining a safe environment for the provision of healthcare services.

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