

MEDIA RELEASE: PSA calls for immediate suspension and Investigation of CEO of Sizwe Tropical Hospital

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The Public Servants Association (PSA) calls for the immediate suspension and investigation of the Chief Executive Officer (CEO) of Sizwe Tropical Hospital, Dr Marian Louw, based on the unlawful activities that she has engaged herself in and allowed to flourish under her watch.

"The CEO serves with the delegated powers of the Head of the Department (HOD) of Health, Professor Mkhululi Lukhele, and for her to become the chief leader of fraudulent activities and allowing her co-conspirators to brazenly disregard the country's legislation, has brought the Department of Health into disrepute," said PSA General Manager, Ivan Fredericks.

The PSA that represents more than 240 000 public service employees pointed out that it is totally unacceptable that the head of an institution is embroiled in fraudulent activities, including appointing individuals fraudulently and colluding with labour relations officers to dismiss employees without just or reasonable cause.

"These are the corrupt elements that erode public trust in public institutions by sacrificing good governance and depriving the citizens of service delivery. Allowing Dr Louw to continue a day longer in her post as CEO of Sizwe Tropical Hospital will overtly send a message that such conduct is sanctioned by the office of the HOD. Failure to take decisive action will result in the PSA and citizens to lose all confidence in the office of the HOD," said Mr Fredericks.

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