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REGISTRATION AND DISTRIBUTION OF DOCTORS IN THE COUNTRY

The attention of the Medical Practitioners and Dentists Board has been drawn to media reports giving misleading Registration Status of Doctors in the country.

As the custodian of the doctor's records, I wish to present the following correct data to the public and other relevant stakeholders:-

A. Number of Registered Doctors

		Registered	Active/Retained in the Register for the Year 2018
1	Medical	11,334	6,394
2	Dental	1,302	683

B. Number of Foreign Doctors Licenced for the Year 2018 as at 20th March 2018

		Licenced as at 20 th March 2018
1	Medical	939
2	Dental	27

Breakdown of Nationalities of Foreign Doctors Licenced for 2018

Americans	350
Indians	155
Germans	57
Congolese	32
United Kingdom	32
Burundi	31
Rwandese	30
Egyptians	30
Ugandans	28
Italians	28
Spanish	23
Sudanese	13
Netherlands	11
Somalians	10
Tanzanians	7
Pakistan	5
South Africans	5
Nigerians	4
Cameroon	3
Chinese	2
Australians	2
French	1
Others	107

C. WHO Recommendations Doctor Patient Ratio

Total Kenya population approx **48,000,000**

1 per 1000 population 2015

1 doctor per 600 population by 2020

Based on retained (active) medical doctors **6,394** for the year 2018

The ratio is **one medical doctor per 7,507**

Based on retained/active dentists **683** for the year 2018

The ratio is **one dentist per 70,278**

The ratio of all medical doctors including foreign doctors on temporary licence is **6,394 plus 939 = 7,333**

One medical doctor per 6,545

The ratio of dentists including foreign dentists on temporary licence is **683 plus 27 = 710**

One dentist per 67,605

D. Medical Doctors and Dentists in Private Practice

(i) Medical Doctors in Private Practice **3086**

(ii) Dentists in Private Practice **360**

E. Medical and Dental Interns as at 20th March, 2018

(i) Medical Officer Interns **524**

(ii) Dental Officer Interns **44**

F. Breakdown of 2591 Medical Specialists as of 20th March, 2018

	Specialist Field	Number	Sub Specialist	Number
1.	Anesthesia	168	Obstetric Critical care	0
			Neuro	0
			Cardiac	0
			Pediatric	0
			Regional	0
			Pain	0
			Neuroanesthesia	0
			Cardiothoracic	1
			Critical Care	0
2.	Cardiothoracic Surgery	1	Cardiac & Thoracic Surgery	0
			Vascular Surgery	0
3.	Dermatology	30		
4.	Ear Nose and Throat (ENT)	78	Rhinology	0
			Laryngology	0
			Otology	0
5.	Internal Medicine	368	Cardiology	44
			Neurology	7
			Nephrology	13
			Gastroenterology	14
			Rheumatology	8
			Venereology	0
			Communicable Diseases	0
			Tropical Medicine	1
			Haematology	1
			Endocrinology	7
			Immunology	0
Chest and Respiratory Medicine	2			
6.	Microbiology	7		

7.	Neurosurgery	13	Adult Neurosurgery	0
			Paediatric Neurosurgery	0
8.	Obstetrics and Gynaecology	465	Reproductive Endocrinology and Fertility	1
			Gynaecological Oncology	5
			Maternal and Foetal Medicine	0
			Urogynaecology/Reconstructive Pelvic Surgery	0
			Minimally Invasive Gynaecologic Surgery	0
			Paediatric and Adolescent Gynaecology	0
9.	Occupational Medicine	1		
10.	Ophthalmology	115		
11.	Orthopaedic Surgery	112		
12.	Paediatrics and Child Health	375	Cardiology	8
			Neurology	6
			Nephrology	3
			Gastroenterology	7
			Rheumatology	2
			Venereology	0
			Communicable Diseases	0
			Tropical Medicine	0
			Haematology	2
			Endocrinology	5
			Immunology	0
			Chest and Respiratory Medicine	0
			Neonatology	10

13.	Palliative Medicine	1		
14.	Pathology		Forensic Pathology	1
	General Pathology	87	Molecular Pathology	0
	Anatomic Pathology	5	Paediatric Pathology	0
	Clinical Pathology	4	Dermatopathology	0
			Hematology and Blood Transfusion	6
			Chemical Pathology	0
			Cytopathology	0
			Immunology	0
			Microbiology	0
			Cytology	0
15.	Psychiatry	85	Child & Adolescent Psychiatry	1
			Addiction Psychiatry	0
			Geriatric Psychiatry	0
			Forensic Psychiatry	0
			Liaison Psychiatry	0
			Neuropsychiatry	0
			Biological Psychiatry	0
			Community Psychiatry	0
			Psychopharmacology	0
			Military Psychiatry	0
			Social Psychiatry	0
			Palliative Care & Thanatology	0
16.	Plastic & Reconstructive Surgery	4		
17.	Public Health	54		

18.	Radiology	172	Cardiac Imaging	0
			Musculoskeletal Imaging	0
			Neuroradiology	0
			Paediatric Imaging	0
			Interventional Imaging	2
19.	General Surgery	392	Neurosurgery	16
			Cardiothoracic Surgery	14
			Paediatric Surgery	12
			Urology	30
			Plastic Surgery	8
			Vascular Surgery	1
20.	Immunology	0		
21.	Infectious Diseases	3		
22.	Clinical Medical Genetics	1		
23.	Emergency Medicine	2		
24.	Ophthalmology		Paediatric Ophthalmology & Strabismus	0
			Cornea and Anterior Segment	0
			Glaucoma	0
			Vitreoretinal Surgery	0
			Ocular Pathology	0
			Neuro-Ophthalmology	0
			Oculoplastic & Orbit	0
			Community Ophthalmology & Epidemiology	0

G. Breakdown of 147 Dental Specialists as of 20th March, 2018

	Speciality	Number
1.	Orthodontics	10
2.	Paediatric dentistry	21
3.	Periodontology	9
4.	Prosthetic dentistry	3
5.	Prosthodontics	10
6.	Dental public health	15
7.	Restorative dentistry	38
8.	Biomaterials science	1
9.	Conservative dentistry	4
10.	Dental radiology	1
11.	Endodontics	1
	TOTALS	147

H. Distribution of Specialists in Kenya

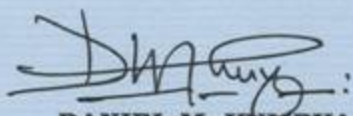
Code	County	Specialists
001	Mombasa	139
002	Kwale	5
003	Kilifi	14
004	Tana River	1
005	Lamu	1
006	Taita Taveta	6
007	Garissa	8
008	Wajir	0
009	Mandera	0
010	Marsabit	0
011	Isiolo	3
012	Meru	27
013	Tharaka Nithi	4

014	Embu	15
015	Kitui	6
016	Machakos	29
017	Makueni	14
018	Nyandarua	1
019	Nyeri	41
020	Kirinyaga	11
021	Murang'a	14
022	Kiambu	102
023	Turkana	3
024	West Pokot	3
025	Samburu	2
026	Trans Nzoia	11
027	Uasin Gishu	98
028	Elgeyo Marakwet	3
029	Nandi	4
030	Baringo	5
031	Laikipia	13
032	Nakuru	69
033	Narok	4
034	Kajiado	10
035	Kericho	19
036	Bomet	3
037	Kakamega	4
038	Vihiga	0
039	Bungoma	9
040	Busia	5
041	Siaya	9
042	Kisumu	70
043	HomaBay	20
044	Migori	98
045	Kisii	22
046	Nyamira	9
047	Nairobi	1340

I. Distribution of Doctors Employed by National and County Governments

Code	County	Medical Officers	Dental Officers	Total Number of Doctors
001	Mombasa	333	47	380
002	Kwale	32	3	35
003	Kilifi	89	7	96
004	Tana River	5	1	6
005	Lamu	16	1	17
006	Taita Taveta	29	1	30
007	Garissa	65	4	69
008	Wajir	21	1	22
009	Mandera	26	0	26
010	Marsabit	14	1	15
011	Isiolo	20	1	21
012	Meru	104	12	116
013	Tharaka Nithi	28	2	30
014	Embu	64	2	66
015	Kitui	43	4	47
016	Machakos	117	21	138
017	Makueni	57	4	61
018	Nyandarua	19	3	22
019	Nyeri	106	15	121
020	Kirinyaga	59	3	62
021	Murang'a	67	11	78
022	Kiambu	265	24	289
023	Turkana	29	3	32
024	West Pokot	24	1	25
025	Samburu	18	2	20
026	Trans Nzoia	50	2	52
027	Uasin Gishu	316	29	345
028	Elgeyo Marakwet	26	3	29

029	Nandi	34	2	36
030	Baringo	39	4	43
031	Laikipia	70	3	73
032	Nakuru	177	22	199
033	Narok	19	2	21
034	Kajiado	46	5	51
035	Kericho	84	9	93
036	Bomet	54	0	54
037	Kakamega	84	7	91
038	Vihiga	23	0	23
039	Bungoma	58	3	61
040	Busia	28	3	31
041	Siaya	26	4	30
042	Kisumu	202	16	218
043	Homa Bay	30	6	36
044	Migori	31	1	32
045	Kisii	109	7	116
046	Nyamira	30	4	34
047	Nairobi	3072	856	3928



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