

MINISTRY OF

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PRESS RELEASE

RE; HEALTH MINISTRY HANDS OVER CASE OF ALLEGED MEDICAL MISCONDUCT AT THE TRAUMA AND SPECIALIST HOSPITAL TO CID AND ATTORNEY GENERAL'S DEPARTMENT

- The Honourable Minister of Health Dr. Bernard Okoe Boye has directed that the conduct of certain officials of the Trauma and Specialist Hospital in Winneba be reported to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID) and the Attorney General's Department.
- 2. This follows investigations by the Ghana Health Service (GHS), which concluded that the employees identified as having contributed to the planning, and evacuation of the patient from the hospital to Ojobi, where she was abandoned until her death, **did not act appropriately**.
- 3. The committee also recommended that the said staff be sanctioned by the Ghana Health Service through Internal Disciplinary Procedures.
- 4. However, the Ministry is of the view that in light of the gravity of the issue captured in the report, involving the loss of life, further investigations should be carried out by the Honourable Attorney-General and Minister of Justice.
- 5. Consequently, the Minister of Health has requested the assistance of the AG to initiate an investigation into the case to determine the culpability or otherwise of the affected staff and take any further action deemed appropriate.
- 6. This matter has also been reported to the Criminal Investigation Department (CID).
- 7. The Ministry of Health is committed to the recommendations made by the committee of the GHS.
- 8. The full report of the committee is available on the website of the Ministry of Health <u>via this link.</u>
- 9. The Ministry reiterates its dedication to upholding the highest standards of healthcare delivery and ensuring that the tragic circumstances leading to this incident are not repeated.

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