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## PRESS RELEASE

### NEW DESIGNATION OF MEDICAL DOCTORS AND DENTISTS IN GHANA

Members of the Ghana Medical Association (GMA) at the 65<sup>th</sup> Annual General Meeting held in Takoradi in November 2023, having deliberated extensively on issues of patients' rights, patient safety and quality healthcare among others, decided on new designations to be used by all Medical Doctors and Dentists in Ghana effective 1<sup>st</sup> January, 2024.

The designations are as follows:

**Dr. (Med) for Medical Doctors**

**Dr. (Dent) for Dentists/Dental Surgeons**

Medical Doctors and Dentists with additional academic titles will prefix these titles with their academic titles as appropriate. For example, Medical Doctors or Dentists with a professorial rank appointment and/or a PhD qualification may be designated Prof. Dr. (Med), Prof. Dr. Dr. (Med), Dr. Dr. (Med), Prof. Dr. (Dent), Prof. Dr. Dr. (Dent) or Dr. Dr. (Dent) as may apply.

All Medical Doctors and Dentists/Dental Surgeons practicing in Ghana are therefore to take note and change their name tags, practitioner stamps and other relevant materials to reflect the change.

Members are encouraged to wear their name tags at all times at work to ensure clear and easy identification in the interest of patient and public safety.

All Medical Doctors and Dentists should readily show their designations when asked by patients or the public.

We implore the media and the public to take note of the new designations and refer to Medical Doctors and Dentists as such.

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