

KPNA AGM - CHAIRMAN'S REPORT 11/12/...

The national Executive Council, the county coordinators, the branch officials, members of KPNA ladies and gentlemen. It gives me pleasure to host you during this year's annual general meeting. It has been a long journey for our country, our profession and our clients and patients due the current COVID-19 Pandemic. We mourn our departed countrymen and our colleagues who succumbed to COVID-19 in line of duty. Let us observe a minute of silence in honour of our departed colleagues.

Besides, the front liners as we speak today are on strike led by our able union demanding for what rightly would have been given to them like yesterday. It is now or never. It is unfortunate that our government has discriminated on nurses on far too long. Let us get United in this because we subscribe to the same union and we stand to lose or gain based on our stand point.

KPNA has stood tall in matters the fight for liberation of nurses and ensuring that professionalism takes precedence and we shall endeavor to continue the same fight without fear or favour.

As we speak today KPNA, despite the Pandemic has been involved closely in the fight against the Pandemic by imploring the government to provide necessary supplies and equipment, being part of policy

formulation and ensuring nurses receive adequate information, skills and competences to help combat the virus.

At the Council we have been an important ingredient in the stakeholder contribution to the entry level scope of practice preparation process which is at completion stage and shall be unveiled soon. The council after completing entry level scope of practice shall embark on reviewing post basic scopes up to APN. As stakeholders we commit to participate fully to embrace our profession. We have also started the process on review of nurses act. Our chairman is a member of the adhoc committee for the same. This where we need your prayers and networking to ensure we reclaim what we lost during the last amendment.

We have covered alot of ground in the process of acquiring our home were it not for COVID-19, we could have already completed the process, but hope against hope this may be done before February 2020. We only have one more step to reach the end of the process.

Our network has grown more than it was last year, we have J&J, KOGS, ICA, UNFPA, anti FGM board, Pwani Oil, CHreeD-path name them.

We look forward to seeing a very successful year 2021. We have engaged Madam to support our recruitment plan in addition to what J&J shall give for recruitment project. Do not be left behind in this

because it is our year that the Lord has given us. Our slogan for the next three years from next year is '2021 year of reawakening ' or '2021 year of maximum recruitment' or '2021 year of successful ' or 2021 year of commitment'

During the preceding years we had challenges in remittances from the counties I wish to implore on county coordinators to embrace follow up with counties for remittances knowing very well that the amount you receive in terms of reimbursement but the secret is recruitment and remittances. It is time for planting which usually is cold and chilly and time of scarcity but happiness comes during harvest. We will endeavor to reimburse based on what we receive from you like we did last year.

I take this to wish each one of us merry Christmas and happy new year in advance.