

# Hospital faults negligence claims over patient's death



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The management of **Gynescop Specialist Hospital** has faulted claims of negligence following the death of Mrs. Akudo Lovelyn John.

A lawyer, Justice John, accused the hospital of negligence in the death of his wife following childbirth complications.

The hospital maintained that qualified and experienced medical professionals treated Mrs. John.

"The patient was attended to by qualified and experienced medical professionals who acted promptly, responsibly, and in strict accordance with established medical standards and protocols," it said.

According to the hospital, reasonable and available medical interventions were deployed to save her life.

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It added that extraordinary measures were taken during her care, including voluntary blood donation by compatible members of the hospital's medical and management team who were present at the time.

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Gynescape also rejected reports it said unfairly portrayed the actions of its staff members.

"Certain reports and statements circulating in the public domain are misleading, incomplete, and do not present a fair or accurate account of the events," the hospital stated.

It warned that such narratives could deepen the pain of the bereaved family and question the professionalism of medical personnel who acted in good faith.

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The hospital expressed condolences to the family of the deceased, saying it shared in their grief and recognised the pain of losing a loved one.

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“We extend our deepest and most heartfelt condolences to her husband, family, and loved ones,” the management said, noting that the loss of a family member is “profoundly painful.”

Gynescop explained that its initial silence on the matter was deliberate and rooted in respect for the deceased and her family as it chose not to speak publicly while the family mourned.

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However, it said continued circulation of inaccurate narratives made it necessary to respond.

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“In view of the continued circulation of narratives that do not accurately reflect the circumstances surrounding the medical care provided, we consider it necessary to offer this clarification in the interest of fairness and truth,” the statement read.

Reaffirming its values, the hospital said it is founded on respect for human life, compassion for patients, and adherence to ethical and professional standards.

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It also confirmed that it is cooperating fully with relevant regulatory and statutory authorities.

“We remain fully cooperative with all relevant authorities and professional bodies in accordance with due process,” the statement said.

The hospital urged the public and media to exercise restraint and empathy in their reportage, particularly on matters involving bereavement.

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It reiterated its sympathy to the family as they mourn the loss of a wife, mother, and loved one.