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### Ekiti ex-commissioner dies in auto crash

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**A** former Health Commissioner in Ekiti State Dr Sola Babalola died on Saturday in an auto crash, Babalola, who was the Chairman of Ekiti Hospital Management Board (EKHMB), died along Ikere-Ise/Emure road, during a multiple accident that involved his official car and other vehicles at about 5 p.m.

Aged 60, the deceased was a health commissioner during former Governor Ayodele Fayose's administration. He hailed from Iro-Ekiti in Gbonyin Local Government Area of the state. The remains of the former commissioner, who was said to have died on the spot, had been deposited at the University of Ado-Ekiti Teaching Hospital mortuary.

In his condolence message, Governor Oni described the deceased as "a fine, responsible gentleman par excellence who will be missed by the state and his party, the PDP for his diligent contributions."

Oni, who said the death was a "a great loss to the medical profession", prayed for the family to have the fortitude to bear the loss. The Chief Medical Director(CMD) of the University of Ado-Ekiti Teaching Hospital, Dr Patrick Adegun, who confirmed that Babalola's corpse had been deposited at the hospital's morgue, described the deceased as one of the best medical practitioners in the state.

"He was one of those people that supported the course of the teaching hospital in the state. He was a sound minded person, gentleman and appreciative. Above all he was a wonderful man", Adegun added. (NAN)

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