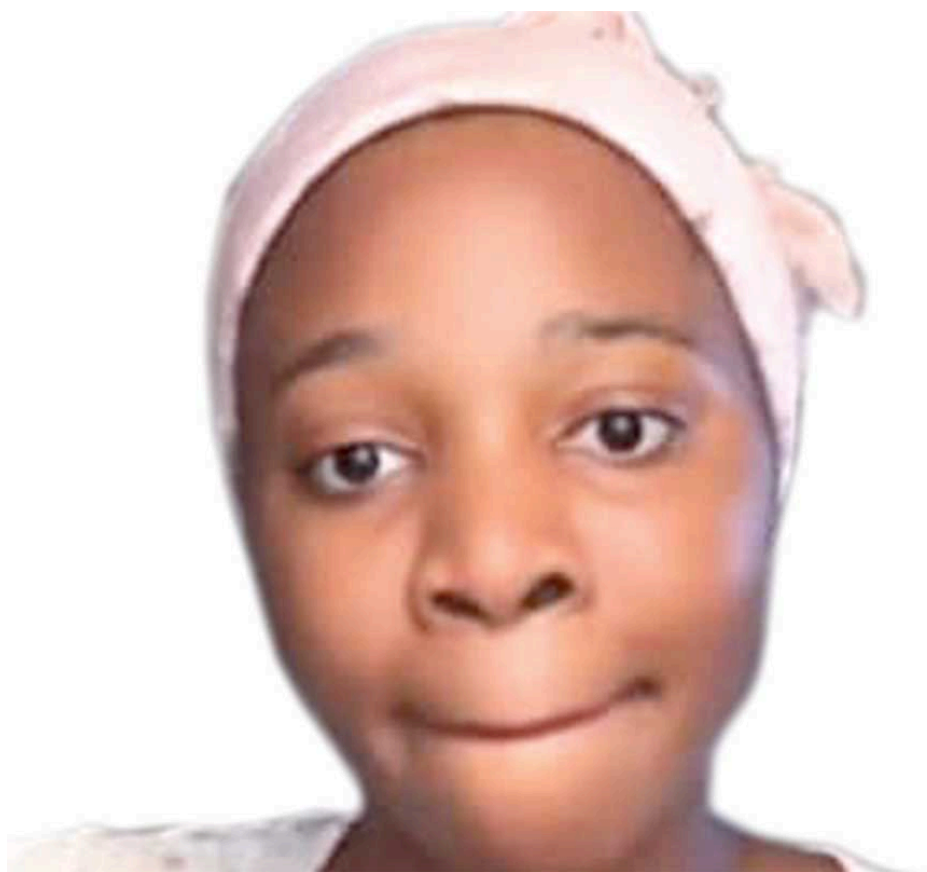


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Rights group demands investigation into nurse's mysterious death in Enugu

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Amanda

The Civil Rights Realisation and Advancement Network (CRRAN) has called for a thorough investigation into the death of a nurse, Miss Amanda Okechukwu, in Enugu, describing the circumstances surrounding her demise as suspicious.

In a petition addressed to the Commissioner of Police in Enugu State and signed by its Executive Director, Olu Omotayo, CRRAN demanded a post-mortem examination to ascertain the actual cause of Amanda's death. The group expressed concerns that the murder, a grave offence under the law, was being trivialised.

CRRAN alleged that conflicting accounts of the nurse's death suggested a cover-up attempt, urging the police to ensure justice. The petition highlighted reports that Amanda's mother initially claimed she was beaten by friends at a party held at a hotel in Enugu on January 31, 2025.

However, CRRAN's findings indicated otherwise, stating that Amanda was in her family home from February 1 to February 3, hale and hearty, before heading to her night shift at Raymond Anikwe Memorial Hospital. She reportedly returned home on February 4, where she was seen washing clothes and cooking before her sudden death.

Omotayo also noted discrepancies in Amanda's brother's account, who told the police he found her lifeless on the bed with a standing fan on her body and a pot lid near the room's door.

The group questioned why Amanda's mother, Mrs Chizoba Nwokolo, allegedly refused an autopsy, even after reporting the case to the Speaker of the Enugu State House of Assembly and the Commissioner of Police. CRRAN further criticised the police for allegedly detaining Amanda's colleagues and friends for eight days without justification.

The rights group urged the Commissioner of Police to ensure a comprehensive investigation and conduct a post-mortem to establish the truth.

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