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## Dead patient saga: Segun Arinze's allegations malicious, unverified—Hospital

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### ●...I've nothing more to say—Arinze

**L**AGOS—LAST Wednesday, popular Nigerian actor and filmmaker, Segun Arinze, accused the management of Doren Specialist Hospital, located in the Ajah axis of Lagos, of refusing to treat an accident victim, who was rushed into its emergency unit for undisclosed reasons.

According to the veteran actor,

the hospital's refusal to attend to the patient eventually led to his death.

However, the management of Doren Specialist Hospital has discredited Segun Arinze's allegations, describing it as "malicious and unverified."

A management staff of the

hospital, Uwaezuoke Nduaka, said: "The attention of Doren Specialist Hospital has been drawn to the unverified statements and images made by Mr. Segun Arinze and shared by him on his social media handle in respect of a man who he falsely alleged was refused

medical attention by our hospital.

"The patient was rushed into the hospital on February 21, 2018 at about 11a.m., by a group of people, who said he was electrocuted.

"What we normally do at the emergency entrance is that when a patient is brought in and appears lifeless, we confirm that the person is still alive, that he/she has pulse then we admit the patient.

"A doctor from Doren Specialist Hospital promptly assessed the man and certified him 'dead at presentation'. The people who brought him were informed that the man was dead and were advised to take the man to a morgue, since the hospital does not run mortuary services.

"The people who brought the dead man, rather than take the corpse to the morgue, instead resorted to create a scene and disrupt the operations of the hospital.

"As a point of duty, we at Doren Specialist Hospital attend to all emergencies as they present and do not put cost as a prerequisite for first aid treatment to be administered.

"Having said this, our media



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G R A B S:** Doren's doctor checking the patient (above); the doctor walking back inside after certifying the man 'dead at presentation' (left).