



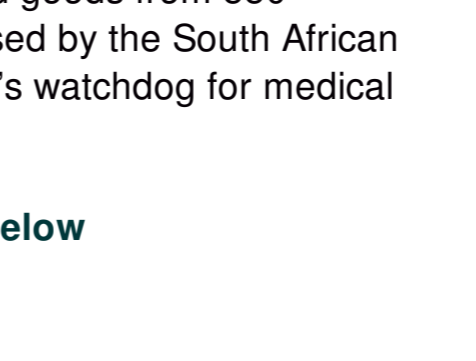
PRIVATE PRACTICE REVIEW

Private Practice Review presents the reader with a summary of the most relevant breaking news in the local and global healthcare industry, as obtained from media sources...

In this Newsletter

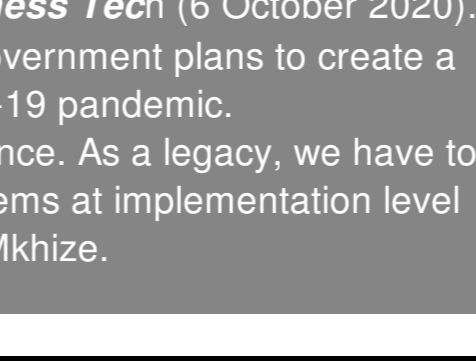
- Food for Thought
News on Government
Special News
Financial News
Pharmaceutical News
General News
News on Medical Schemes
CMS Circulars
Special Notes

FOOD FOR THOUGHT
Hundreds of unlicensed suppliers involved in R2-bn PPE scandal



Emergency procurement for the COVID-19 pandemic saw SA's nine provincial health departments flush a jaw-dropping R2-bn to hundreds of unlicensed suppliers...

'Corruption is part of SA health sector's DNA'

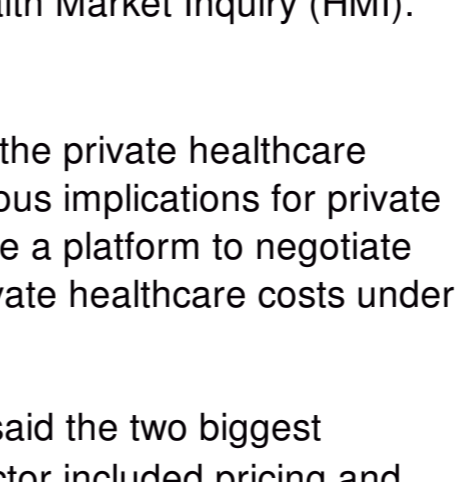


'Corruption has always been rife in the health sector COVID-19 just held the flag,' said the head of the Special Investigating Unit (SIU)...

SPECIAL NEWS
Doctors' concerns: We are working on it, says Health Department

The South African Medical Association (SAMA) recently hosted a webinar allowing doctors to directly interact with Health Minister Zweli Mkhize...

NEWS ON GOVERNMENT
Competition Commission gets private healthcare reform ball rolling



The Competition Commission has issued a letter to stakeholders, informing them that the Council for Medical Schemes (CMS) is to establish a multi-stakeholder working committee...

Mkhize axes the critics from his expert's panel

Health Minister Zweli Mkhize has recently decided that he no longer needs the services of three of the most influential members of the ministerial advisory commit (MAC) on COVID-19...

SA models may have overestimated pandemic

Although private hospital groups, doctors and the Department of Health (DoH) negotiated a deal for the private sector to treat critically ill C-19 state patients on a cost-only basis...

Second wave of C-19 may be less deadly

A second wave of coronavirus infections in SA is likely to be less deadly than the first, Barry Childs, joint CEO of Insight Actuaries at the Actuarial Society of SA (ASSA)...

Cost of Cuban doctors 'is a saving'
PPE scandal: Gauteng premier fires Health MEC

According to Health Minister, Zweli Mkhize, the R120-m spent on the salaries of 187 Cuban doctors - who arrived in the country in April to help in the response to C-19 - is actually a saving...

Doctors warn about 'destruction' of SA healthcare sector

A letter, signed by the Federation of South African Surgeons, the South African Saharan Africa and country manager for SA at Pfizer in SA...

FINANCIAL NEWS
Advanced Health gets R170-m bid for SA facilities
COVID-19 response causes revenue drop for Netcare

Day hospital group, Advanced Health received a R170-m offer from an interested buyer for 7 of its 11 facilities in SA.

PHARMACEUTICAL NEWS
Pfizer set to produce vaccines in SA
Vaccine development receives more attention

Pharmaceutical company Pfizer is increasing its manufacturing capacity for vaccines in SA, but it will not manufacture a COVID-19 vaccine in the country...

GENERAL NEWS
Most deaths involved co-morbidities
Covid-19 advanced new innovations

According to the latest data, produced by the SA Medical Research Council, 96% of individuals killed in SA by C-19 had co-morbidities.

NEWS ON MEDICAL SCHEMES
Medical schemes announce small increases

Most medical aids have limited their increases for the coming year to around official consumer price inflation, even though the cost of medical care goes up much faster than general retail prices...

Circulars from the CMS
The following Circulars were published by the CMS in September/October 2020.

SPECIAL NOTES
Ear Nose and Throat (ENT) Consultant Post available

An ENT Consultant Post is available at CJGM Regional (Stanger) Hospital on the KwaZulu-Natal coast, 60km north of Durban and 20 minutes' drive from the King Shaka International Airport.

To advertise in Private Practice Review contact: maretha@healthman.co.za

Private Practice Review provides news and opinion articles as a service to our members to enhance their understanding of the health care industry. The information contained in these publications is published without warranties of any kind...