



MEDIA RELEASE

Public Alert – Ms Pamela Mohlabe was dismissed by SAHPRA following evidence of fraudulent activities

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Pretoria, 04 September 2023 – The South African Health Products Regulatory Authority (SAHPRA) has been made aware that a dismissed employee is misleading stakeholders that she is still a SAHPRA employee. Ms Pamela (Pam) Mohlabe was dismissed in 2021 due to serious misconduct of fraud, including acting as an Inspector, and issuing of fake licences. It must be noted that such licences can only be issued by the CEO of SAHPRA. She has never been authorised to act as a SAHPRA representative under any circumstance.

She is unlawfully conducting interviews meant for SAHPRA. She has no expertise in this regard. Anybody who has been a victim of her tactics should report the matter to SAHPRA by contacting SAHPRA via: <https://www.sahpra.org.za/whistleblower/>

This illegal criminal practice will be reported to law enforcement agencies and SAHPRA is pursuing a lawsuit.

SAHPRA CEO, Dr Boitumelo Semete-Makokotlela said, “This unethical and unprofessional conduct is putting SAHPRA’s name into disrepute will not be tolerated, especially that it compromises public safety. At SAHPRA we value the safety of the South African public.”

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About SAHPRA:

SAHPRA is tasked with regulating (monitoring, evaluating, investigating, inspecting, and registering) all health products. This includes clinical trials, complementary medicines, medical devices, and in-vitro diagnostics (IVDs). Furthermore, SAHPRA has the added responsibility of overseeing radiation control in South Africa. SAHPRA's mandate is outlined in the Medicines and Related Substances Act (Act No 101 of 1965 as amended) as well as the Hazardous Substances Act (Act No 15 of 1973).

SAHPRA has three pillars to ensure that medicines, medical devices and IVDs meet the requisite standards to protect the health and well-being of all who reside in South Africa:

- Safety
- Efficacy
- Quality

It is these three pillars that define the ethos of SAHPRA.