

UNIVERSITY OF NIGERIA TEACHING HOSPITAL ITUKU-OZALLA, P.M.B. 01129

ENUGU

28 September, 2025

PRESS STATEMENT

RE: ALLEGATIONS OF NEGLIGENCE CIRCULATING ON SOCIAL MEDIA

The attention of the Management of the University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital, Enugu, has been brought to widely circulated social media report regarding the late Mrs. Charity Unachukwu, who was brought to our facility on September 20, 2025.

We extend our deepest condolences to the Unachukwu family on this tragic loss. We recognize the pain expressed in the detailed account shared publicly and acknowledge the grief of the family, their friends, and sympathizers. Losing a loved one under any circumstance is devastating, and we share in this sorrow.

UNTH is a public institution guided by the motto, "Service to Humanity." We take these allegations with the utmost seriousness, and we are committed to reviewing the report with the aim of uncovering the facts, ensuring accountability, and driving systemic improvements.

In response, the Chief Medical Director has cancelled his official trip abroad billed for tomorrow 29th September 2025, to personally oversee an independent and transparent investigation into the circumstances of this case.

The investigation will examine the care provided, review key procedures, and identify any failures that may have contributed to this incident:

- Review emergency admission procedures, laboratory and diagnostic services, and inter-departmental coordination.
- Identify any failures systemic or individual that may have contributed to delays or lapses in care.

Moving Forward

As a recently certified Level 3 teaching hospital by PharmAccess for quality improvement, following a massive upgrade in services and infrastructure, our goal is to get to Level 4 by next year and we are very committed to this goal.

We reassure the public that:

- The investigation will be thorough and conducted in a transparent manner.
- Where lapses are confirmed, corrective and disciplinary measures will follow.
- Systemic improvements will continue to be prioritized.

We appreciate the public's vigilance and trust, and we reaffirm our commitment to compassionate, safe, and effective healthcare for all.

Signed,

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