Dr. Sam Adjei

The Ghana Medical Association (GMA) is devastated by the sad news of the passing of Dr. Sam Adjei, which event occurred on the 7th February 2016.

On retiring from the Ghana Health Service he established the Centre for Health and Social Services (ChESS) of which he was Chief Executive Officer until his demise.

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Dr. Sam Adjei was the Chairperson of the GMA Ebola Committee, which was set up in 2014 in the wake of the Ebola outbreak in West Africa to coordinate efforts to mitigate the effects of a possible outbreak in Ghana. In this position he made sure that energies of the Association were properly directed at all times towards the goals of the committee. At the time when the uproar on the possible Ebola vaccine trial in Ghana came on amongst both doctors and the general public, he raised funds from the World Health Organization country office to hold a workshop for medical personnel. This served to create a platform for discussion and dissemination of knowledge to our members who then became better informed to serve the general public.

In 2014 he was made a member of the Strategy and Research committee of the GMA with the drafting of a Strategic Plan for the Association as one of its mandates. The project is almost completed and would have been proudly sold out by Sam for the necessary attention and implementation support. The Association owes it to the blessed memory of Dr. Sam Adjei to realize this dream as soon as possible.

The Association and its entire membership have indeed lost a pearl and can only rejoice knowing that he has taken a deserved rest from all his labours.

Our deepest condolences go to the entire family, especially his wife and three children.

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