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## **CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER'S MESSAGE**



CEO, Dr. Kelly Oluoch

welcome you to the September 2025 edition of our news bulletin.

This month has been one of growth, learning, and recognition for our College. On September 5, 2025 at the Mombasa Agricultural Society of Kenya (ASK) show, the College was recognized as the Best Tertiary Level Education Institution Stand other than University, and also received the award for Best Display and Services in the Health Training Sector and Pharmaceuticals Stand. These awards reflect the dedication of our staff and students. who continue to raise the bar for excellence.

Additionally, we welcomed the Cabinet Secretary for Health, Hon. Aden Duale, who flagged off eight new vehicles to support learning across our campuses. He further assured that KMTC students will begin accessing the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) loans within this financial year.

Beyond our borders, KMTC made a mark at the Australia Africa Week in Perth, where we deepened our partnership with Edith Cowan University. The engagement climaxed with the signing of a Letter of Understanding to expand our collaboration in health promotion, Nursing, Public Health, Medical Laboratory Sciences, and other related fields. These partnerships are creating new academic and professional pathways for our students and staff, opening doors to global opportunities.

Closer to home, we dispatched 13,000 transcripts for candidates of the June and July 2025 FQE. This is part of our commitment to ensure graduates transition smoothly into the job market, both locally and abroad. We are digitizing services and decentralizing processes to ensure students have timely access to vital academic records.

We also recognize that while many graduates aspire to formal jobs, the future of healthcare also calls for entrepreneurship, innovation, and soft skills. That is why we partnered with Amref Health Africa to host a Health Entrepreneurship workshop, where students were equipped with practical skills in self-reliance and business innovation.

Further, we celebrated the award of Johnson and Johnson scholarships to 110 nurses and midwives pursuing Psychiatric Nursing. This will go a long way in addressing the country's mental health workforce gaps.

These milestones remind us that every effort we make, whether in the classroom, through partnerships, or in student support, is helping to shape a healthier future for Kenya and beyond.

We value your thoughts and reflections on this edition of our news bulletin. Your feedback helps us continually improve the content and highlight stories that matter most to our stakeholders. Please share your comments, suggestions, or contributions by writing to info@kmtc. ac.ke. We look forward to hearing from you as we continue to celebrate our shared journey of excellence in training healthcare professionals.

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# **CORPORATE UPDATES**

# **KMTC Tops at 2025 Mombasa International Show**



President William Ruto at the Mombasa ASK Show on September 5, 2025, where the College was recognized as the Best Tertiary Level Education Institution Stand other than University and received the award for Best Display and Services in the Health Training Sector and Pharmaceuticals Stand.



H.E. President William Ruto (left), during his development tour on September 6, 2025, made a stop at KMTC Awendo, where he pledged support for student accommodation through the Affordable Housing Project.

# Health CS Announces HELB Support for KMTC Students, Flags off Vehicles



Health CS Hon. Aden Duale (holding Kenyan flag) with KMTC Board Chairperson Mr. Joseah K. Cheruiyot (right) and CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch (left) during the vehicle flag-off ceremony.

he Cabinet Secretary for Health, Hon. Aden Duale, has assured that financially needy students at the Kenya Medical Training College will begin accessing loans from the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) within this financial year. Speaking on September 17, 2025, during the flagging off of eight new vehicles at KMTC headquarters in Nairobi, the CS said he had received direct instructions from H.E. President Dr. William Ruto to ensure that KMTC students benefit from HELB like their peers in other tertiary institutions.

Hon. Duale pledged to convene discussions with relevant government agencies to fast-track the process. Earlier this year, the College received Kshs. 500 million from the National Treasury to support students in need. However, out of 34,000 applicants, only half were funded, leaving thousands still struggling.

The CS also addressed key reforms in the health sector, noting that the Ministry has resolved outstanding issues under Universal Health Coverage (UHC), the Social Health Authority (SHA), and Taifa Care. He emphasized that such reforms would guarantee accessible and affordable healthcare for all Kenyans.

On KMTC's expansion, Hon. Duale affirmed that measures are in place to ensure quality standards and appropriate staff-to-student ratios as in line with regulatory and international benchmarks. He stressed the importance of applying economies of scale, citing Garissa County as an example where one campus effectively serves multiple constituencies. He further observed that establishing new infrastructure alone does not make a campus functional, as significant investment is also required in staffing and learning resources. According to him, the current 91 campuses adequately serve national needs, noting that unchecked expansion could overstretch resources.

Welcoming both new and continuing students to the 2025/2026 academic year, CS Duale noted that 11,058 students have already reported out of the expected 15,000. With 91 campuses spread across 45 counties, KMTC continues to serve as a cornerstone of Kenya's health sector. In December, the College is projected to graduate 22,000 health professionals, further strengthening the national and global health workforce.

To improve the learning environment, 57 KMTC campuses have been included in the Affordable Housing Programme to



(Front row - from left): KMTC Board Director Mr. Paul Cheboi, Chairperson Mr. Joseah K. Cheruiyot, Health CS Hon. Aden Duale, CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch, DDFP&A Ms. Lucy Chebungei, and Deputy Principal Nairobi Campus Ms. Carolyne Oyugi, during the vehicle flag-off ceremony.

provide hostels and student villages. The CS also highlighted measures to modernize infrastructure, recruit more lecturers, and enhance digital integration, including simulation laboratories, to keep pace with future health sector demands.

The newly acquired vehicles increase KMTC's fleet to 158. They will expand access to clinical placement sites, rural training areas, and community health programmes while supporting medical camps, environmental sustainability projects, and outreach services. This will provide students with hands-on training while strengthening service delivery, particularly in underserved areas.

Hon. Duale reminded students that they are joining the health sector at a time of major reforms and encouraged them to embrace diligence, empathy, and innovation as they train to serve. "KMTC plays an indispensable role in building the health workforce, which is the most critical pillar of the Taifa Care Model and Universal Health Coverage," he said.

He commended the KMTC Board, Management, staff, and partners for their visionary leadership, including plans to expand facilities and procure more vehicles to support training and community service.

Director General for Health, Dr. Patrick Amoth, echoed the CS's sentiments, urging the College to maintain quality training, adopt technology, and strengthen simulation-based learning. "KMTC graduates are sought after worldwide," he noted, underscoring the College's international reputation.

KMTC Board Chairperson Mr. Joseah K. Cheruiyot thanked the Ministry for its support, while Chief Executive Officer Dr. Kelly Oluoch noted that the new vehicles will ease access to clinical placement areas, rural training sites, and community health outreach, all critical components of KMTC's training model.

The flag-off ceremony was attended by Board Directors Ms. Hardlyne Lusui, Eng. Joseph Atonga, Ms. Eunice Karanja, Mr. Paul Cheboi, Mr. Adan Harakhe, Dr. Daniel Mwai from the President's Council of Economic Advisors, alongside senior managers. Also present were campus principals, including Mr. Richard Korir (Molo), Mr. Kumbu Mwololo (Ugenya), Mr. Tom Oogo (Nyamache), Ms. Zipporah Kimanthi (Isiolo), Dr. Jesse Gicheha (Kangundo), Mr. Walter Odhiambo (Lugari), Mr. Patrick Njagi (Imenti), and Ms. Felistus Kimanzi (Mbooni), together with College staff and students.



Health CS Hon. Aden Duale flanked by Board Directors, Management team, Staff and students flags off a double cabin pick-up for Ugenya Campus.



Health CS Hon. Aden Duale (2nd right), Health DG Dr.
Patrick Amoth (2nd left),
CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch (left),
Board Chairperson Mr.
Joseah K. Cheruiyot (3nd left), DDA Dr. Nyawira
Mwangi (3nd right) and Head of E-Learning Dr. Wagaki
Gicheru, during a visit to the Simulation Laboratory.



CS Duale interacts with Nairobi Campus students during the vehicle flag-off ceremony.

#### **PARTNERSHIPS**

# KMTC Strengthens Global Partnerships with Edith Cowan University During Australia–Africa Week



KMTC CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch (centre), DDA Dr. Nyawira Mwangi (left), ECU's Deputy **Vice Chancellor** and Vice President (International Relations) Mr. Jake Garman, Kenya's **Education Attache**' in Australia Flora Mulatya, and Associate Dean (Strategic **Partnerships and Work Integrated Learning)** School of Nursing and Midwifery Dr. Tania Beament, during the function.

he College marked a significant milestone during Australia–Africa Week in Perth, strengthening global partnerships through a series of high-level engagements with Edith Cowan University (ECU) and Edith Cowan College.

KMTC delegation, led by CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch and accompanied by Deputy Director (Academic), Dr. Nyawira Mwangi, was welcomed by Dr. Wilson Kogo, High Commissioner of Kenya to Australia, and Dr. Flora Mulatya, Education Attaché at the Kenya High Commission.

Mr. Jake Garman, Deputy Vice-Chancellor and Vice-President (International) at ECU, led the executive teams from Edith Cowan University and Edith Cowan College in receiving the KMTC delegation at the Joondalup campus.

This visit, which builds on earlier exchanges and ongoing collaboration, reflects the shared commitment to advancing the priorities of KMTC's Strategic Plan 2023–2028. "This event signifies meaningful progress in strengthening the partnership between KMTC and Edith Cowan University, paving the way for future growth and joint initiatives," said Dr. Oluoch.

As part of the week's activities, the delegation toured simulation labs, research centers, and shared learning spaces. They also participated in presentations and discussions reviewing academic programs, mapping health courses, and strengthening institutional networks.

The engagements culminated in the signing of a Letter of Understanding, creating new academic and professional pathways in areas such as Health Promotion, Occupational Therapy, Nutrition, Nursing, Public Health, Medical Laboratory Sciences, Sonography, and related fields.

In the coming year, technical teams from KMTC and ECU will collaborate to streamline student, faculty, and alumni access to innovative programs and global opportunities.

Alongside institutional milestones, Dr. Oluoch also met with KMTC Alumni in Perth, providing a platform to reconnect, network, receive updates, and explore avenues for collaboration and professional growth. Alumni are encouraged to join the KMTC database to benefit from opportunities in mentorship, industry linkages, and career advancement.

The Australia-Africa Week in Perth was held in September 1-6, 2025.



KMTC DDFP&A, Ms. Lucy Chebungei (3<sup>rd</sup> right), on September 9, 2025, hosted East African Community representative Mr. Raphael Magambo Kinoti (3<sup>rd</sup> left) at the College Headquarters, where discussions focused on strengthening regional partnerships in health training and service delivery. Present were KMTC's Dr. Marsellah Ogendo (left), Board Director Mr. Benson Giuthua (2<sup>nd</sup> left), Planning Manager Dr. Mutuku Mutinda, and Resource Mobilization Manager Mr. Job Nyakado.



CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch (2<sup>nd</sup> left) on September 17, 2025, hosted Mr. Frank Tetzel (2<sup>nd</sup> right), Executive Director of Carl Duisberg Gesellschaft, for discussions on possible collaboration aimed at equipping students with German language skills to prepare them for potential job opportunities in Germany. They were joined by DDA Dr. Nyawira Mwangi (right) and Bomet Campus Principal Mrs. Alice Ongera (left).

# College Partners With Amref to Equip Students With Skills for Job Creation



A section of KMTC Students during the training at Nakuru Campus.

every graduation gown carries a dream: the dream of a decent job, a secure future, and the dignity that comes with professional success. For many graduates, that dream feels painfully delayed. Days turn into months as they queue at offices with crisp Curriculum Vitae, waiting for opportunities that never arrive, and frustration begins to set in.

What few realize is that entrepreneurship within their own profession can be just as rewarding, sometimes even more fulfilling, than the formal jobs they chase. Studies have shown that graduates leave school with deep subject knowledge, yet many lack the entrepreneurial mindset that allows them to innovate and build sustainable ventures.

Added to this gap is the absence of employability essentials such as effective communication, emotional intelligence, and problem-solving. These are the very skills that determine who gets hired and who thrives and delivers in the workplace. Without them, even those fortunate enough to secure jobs struggle to perform and sustain long-term success.

It is against this backdrop that KMTC and Amref Health Africa in Kenya have joined hands to prepare students for a new reality.

Their mission is to empower future health professionals not only to deliver quality care but also to create solutions that strengthen health systems and open doors of opportunity for themselves and their communities.

At the heart of this effort was a two-day Health Entrepreneurship workshop held on September 4-5, 2025 at KMTC Nakuru. Students were introduced to practical skills in innovation, self-reliance, and business management specifically tailored to the health sector.

Amref had earlier trained a group of KMTC lecturers from Nakuru and Nairobi Campuses, who then cascaded the training to colleagues and students.

While opening the workshop on September 4, 2025, Nakuru Deputy Principal, Mr. Joseph Maitoyo, summed up the vision. "Today's healthcare professionals must not only provide clinical care but also think creatively about solutions that strengthen health systems and generate opportunities. By giving our students entrepreneurship knowledge, we are equipping them to lead, innovate, and become excellent entrepreneurs in Kenya and beyond," he said.

The students who were taken through the training had this to say.

Samwel Maina, a Pharmacy student, said the training gave him direction and confidence. "We have learned that as youth, we do not have to wait for opportunities. We can create them," he said.

Sylvia Amondi, a Radiography and Imaging student, shared her perspective. "Self-confidence grows through self-recognition, and that is a big lesson I will carry forward. We must also embrace digital transformation and be part of developing healthcare technologies instead of waiting for others to do it," she said.

Albanus Kioko, a final year Medical Laboratory Sciences student, said the course reshaped the way he balances business with academics. "I run a small business within the campus, and I have always struggled to separate personal money from business money. This course taught me how to manage finances and grow sustainably," he said.

CEO, Dr. Kelly Oluoch, while commenting on the initiative, reaffirmed the importance of equipping students with employability skills.

"The future of healthcare will be shaped by professionals who combine technical expertise with innovation, communication, and entrepreneurial thinking. These skills make our graduates employable and empower them to create opportunities, strengthen health systems, and transform communities in Kenya and beyond," he said.

Through this partnership, KMTC is sharpening a generation of health professionals ready to serve as caregivers, innovators, problem solvers, and job creators.

# College Embarks on Digitalization of Mental Health Curriculum to Strengthen Training



Head of Department (Clinical Medicine and Surgery) Mr. Felix Mutua with E-Learning's Mr. Kennedy Kinyua during the workshop at KMTC Nakuru Campus.

MTC has begun the digitalization of its Higher National Diploma Nursing and Clinical Medicine Mental Health curriculum, marking a major step in enhancing the training of mental health professionals in Kenya.

The initiative is supported by a one-year grant awarded by Johnson & Johnson through Aga Khan University and Amref Health Africa in Kenya, part of broader efforts to strengthen Kenya's health workforce.

At the same time, the Ministry of Health, working with the Higher Education Loans Board, Johnson & Johnson, Amref Health Africa, and the Nurses and Midwives Alliance, will provide scholarships for 110 nurses and midwives starting advanced nursing courses in September 2025. The package includes study loans of up to Kshs. 500,000 at a subsidized interest rate of four percent.

According to Ms. Florence Maina, Principal of KMTC Mathari, digitalization will allow the program to be rolled out across more Campuses.

She explained that a Simulation Laboratory is being established at Mathari to strengthen hands-on learning, supported by a digitized psychiatric curriculum and targeted faculty training in virtual simulation and e-learning delivery.

"We are banking on a blended learning approach to cater to practitioners who have limited time and resources for fulltime study. This way, they can continue serving in hospitals while sparing time to train with us," said Ms. Maina.

The Simulation Lab will mimic real clinical environments, allowing students to follow live sessions remotely. Learners will practice outpatient and inpatient case scenarios, history taking, and clinical examinations as if they were in actual hospital settings.

Under the program, KMTC will also train 630 Nurses and 200 Clinical Officers from Level 2 and 3 facilities in Nakuru and Kisumu counties through a structured Training-of-Trainers (ToT) model.

The rollout of the program began with a five-day workshop at KMTC Nakuru from September 1 to 5, 2025.

The Deputy Director, Finance Planning and Administration, Ms. Lucy Chebungei, who spoke on behalf of the CEO, Dr. Kelly Oluoch, described the project as a turning point for the College, noting that the curriculum will provide students with access to world-class digital tools.

"We are shaping professionals who can deliver quality mental health services anywhere in the world," she said.

The World Health Organization reports that one in eight people globally lives with a mental disorder, with depression and anxiety costing the global economy an estimated US \$1 trillion annually.

In Kenya, up to 25 percent of outpatients and 40 percent of inpatients experience mental health conditions, yet the country has fewer than 500 psychiatrists to serve over 50 million people.

The College is taking a leading role in bridging this gap, equipping its graduates with the skills and tools needed to respond to Kenya's and the world's rising mental health needs.

# College Announces Winners of Johnson & Johnson Mental Health Scholarships



A section of KMTC Students at the College Headquarters (File photo).

he College on September 9, 2025, announced the award of Johnson & Johnson scholarships to 110 nurses and midwives from across the counties.

The beneficiaries will pursue a Higher Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing in the September intake as part of a broader effort to expand access to mental health care and strengthen the country's health workforce by equipping more professionals with specialized skills in psychiatry.

"We are honoured to welcome the successful recipients of the scholarship and officially usher them into their college journey," said CEO, Dr. Kelly Oluoch.

The scholarships were awarded through a competitive process that required applicants to submit an essay explaining their need for support.

According to a report by Kamili Organization, which the fund identified to screen and shortlist candidates, 527 applications were received from across the 47 counties. Of these, 342 were reviewed, and 159 candidates were interviewed.

The College received a one-year grant from Johnson & Johnson through Aga Khan University and Amref Health Africa in Kenya. The scholarships form part of a broader initiative to strengthen Kenya's health workforce and address critical gaps in mental health services.

Currently, Kenya has fewer than 500 specialist mental health workers, including psychiatrists, psychiatric nurses, and psychologists, serving a population of more than 50 million. This falls far short of the recommended 1,441 psychiatrists needed to achieve adequate psychiatrist-to-patient coverage.

At present, only 15 of the 47 counties have established inpatient and outpatient psychiatric services.

Dr. Oluoch emphasized that KMTC is redoubling its efforts to address this challenge by expanding training opportunities in psychiatric nursing. "We have progressively scaled up the Higher Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing from being offered at the Mathari Campus to six additional campuses," he said.

He noted that the number of graduates continues to rise, with 13 completing the program in 2023, 30 in 2024, and 110 students enrolled in 2025. "We are confident that this training will equip more counties with the skills to establish psychiatric programs. Ultimately, it will expand access to mental health services while also creating job opportunities for our students," added Dr. Oluoch.

Mary Magure from Murang'a County, a nurse at Marajao GK Prison and one of the scholarship recipients, could not hide her excitement upon receiving the news. "It feels so good to win this scholarship and to know that I will be trained in mental health. This is a skill I greatly need, especially because I work in a prison where we deal with clients from diverse backgrounds, including those struggling with drug addiction," she said.

Mohammed Hamara Sheikh from Tana River County, a nurse at Ngao Sub-County Hospital, expressed optimism about the impact of the scholarship. "At the moment, the facility where I work does not have psychiatric services, and I often have to refer clients to Hola County Referral Hospital. Once I complete my studies, I will encourage our facility to establish one, as it will greatly benefit the community," he said.

Ifrah Adan from Mandera County, a nurse at Elwak Sub-County Referral Hospital, shared her joy after years of unsuccessfully applying for scholarships. "I thank KMTC and Johnson & Johnson for this opportunity. Where I work, we face serious challenges of drug abuse, yet we have very few wellness centers. When I return, I will encourage my bosses to consider introducing mental wellness services to help our people," she said.

The CEO thanked Johnson & Johnson and partners for their commitment, noting that the scholarships will go a long way in bridging patient-specialist gaps in the country.

In addition to the scholarships, KMTC will train 630 nurses and 200 clinical officers from Level 2 and 3 facilities in Nakuru and Kisumu counties through a structured Training-of-Trainers (ToT) model, further strengthening service delivery at the grassroots level.

# KMTC, MicroResearch Canada Launch Third Research Training Workshop



A section of participants during the training [file photo].

he College in partnership with MicroResearch Canada, has commenced a two-week research training workshop at KMTC Mombasa, running from September 22<sup>nd</sup> to October 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2025.

The collaboration, formalized in 2023, launched its inaugural workshop in Kapenguria in November, followed by a second edition at KMTC Narok in October 2024, each training 26 staff and participants from campuses nationwide.

This third workshop brings together Dalhousie University Canada, MicroResearch Canada, KMTC, and the Kenya Ministry of Defence, with a primary objective to strengthen research capacity and equip participants with essential skills to tackle sustainable community health challenges in the country.

Through these efforts, the initiative has stimulated discussion, generated innovative ideas, and promoted achievement of Universal Health Coverage through research-driven solutions. Researchers and healthcare professionals are empowered to design grassroots, evidence-based, and culturally relevant solutions for pressing health challenges.

Looking ahead, KMTC plans to expand the research training, further strengthening research culture and delivering sustainable solutions responsive to evolving community health needs.

## KMTC Marks New Era With Safe Phlebotomy Program Handover



KMTC CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch (2<sup>nd</sup> left), DDA Dr. Nyawira Mwangi (right), Head of Short Courses Dr. Jebichi Maswan (2<sup>nd</sup> right), Deputy Principal Nairobi Campus Ms. Caroline Oyugi (left), CDC Associate Director Dr. Daniel Kimani (3<sup>rd</sup> right), AMREF Sustainable Laboratory Quality System Project Manager Dr. Dennis Wanyama (back right), NASCOP programme officer Mr. Hezekiah Amadi (back left) with students at the Phlebotomy laboratory.

n a significant milestone for health training in Kenya, the College officially received stewardship of the Safe Phlebotomy Course, marking the transition from a partner-supported project to a sustainable, institutionally led program.

The handover, which took place at the KMTC Headquarters on September 30, 2025, brought together key partners including Amref CDC, and the Ministry of Health (MoH), who have collectively strengthened phlebotomy training for over a decade. This collaboration has enhanced the protection of healthcare workers and improved the quality of diagnostic sampling nationwide.

During his remarks, KMTC CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch thanked all the partners - Amref, CDC, and MoH - for their unwavering support in making the program a success and transitioning it into a fully-fledged KMTC-based initiative. He further acknowledged that the supply of equipment to KMTC phlebotomy laboratories would go a long way in ensuring the sustainability of the program while also advancing the College's vision of producing highly skilled health professionals.

The partners expressed their gratitude to KMTC for

embracing the program and opening opportunities for students to acquire quality training in phlebotomy. They noted the invaluable role of the Ministry of Health, particularly through its Virtual Academy platform, in supporting e-learning and expanding the program's reach.

With KMTC's expansive national footprint, this integration ensures that practical, standardized skills are accessible throughout the country. The program's shift to a hybrid model, leveraging the Ministry of Health's Virtual Academy, will broaden access, improve efficiency, and make training more far-reaching. Support from Amref and CDC has enabled curriculum development, content digitization, and the training of 30 lecturers as Master Trainers, laying a strong foundation for quality delivery.

Emphasizing KMTC's commitment to continuity and Universal Health Coverage, Dr. Oluoch remarked, "By investing in the capacity of our trainers and embracing digital transformation, KMTC is not only maintaining standards but also leading the way in building a competent, safe health workforce for Kenya. This handover symbolizes our readiness to sustain this vital training, serving the country for years to come."

# KMTC Ramps up Transcript Issuance to Boost Graduate Job Prospects



Ms. Anne Ndegwa during dispatch of final academic transcripts to various Campuses for the June/July Final Qualifying Examination candidates.

The College has accelerated the issuance of academic transcripts to ensure graduates secure employment opportunities locally and abroad. On September 17, 2025, 13,000 transcripts were dispatched to various campuses for students who completed their final qualifying examinations in June - July 2025.

In recent years, KMTC has invested in digitizing academic records and decentralizing services to meet the rising demand for timely transcripts.

The College continues to receive thousands of requests from recruitment agencies for authentication and verification of academic documents, reflecting the strong global demand for its graduates. "Our reforms are designed to ensure graduates do not miss opportunities," said CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch.

"With automation, students can now verify transcripts online, and with decentralization, they can collect documents at their campuses three weeks after completing exams," he added.

The College has also scaled up the *Transcript Mashinani initiative*, which takes services closer to graduates during national events, where transcripts are issued on the spot.

Currently, transcripts for previous graduates are processed within just one day, once requirements are met, and always within the 10 days set out in the Citizens' Service Delivery Charter.

"These measures ensure our graduates remain competitive in the job market," Dr. Oluoch added.



KMTC Board Chairperson, Mr. Joseah K. Cheruiyot (2nd right), on September 3, 2025, received Mandera Governor Hon. Mohamed Adan Khalif (2<sup>nd</sup> left) at the College Headquarters in Nairobi. Also present during the meeting were the Corporation Secretary, Ms. Caroline Muchina (right), and the Head of Intergovernmental Relations, Dr. Leah Bii (left). Discussions focused on expanding KMTC Mandera Campus through new courses, additional lecturers, and strengthened clinical placement partnerships.



KMTC staff and stakeholders during a retooling workshop for Clinical Medicine and Surgery Lecturers in applied anatomy, held at Masinde Muliro University, Kakamega, from September 8 - 26, 2025. The programme equips lecturers with modern, competency-based teaching approaches to enhance training and prepare students for the dynamic needs of the healthcare sector.



KMTC Curriculum Committee on August 28, 2025, engaged key stakeholders in a validation meeting at Manza on the Anatomy Module for the Diploma in Clinical Medicine and Surgery, focusing on strengthening practical training and enhancing student readiness for professional practice.

The Board of Directors, Management and Alumni Association invites Alumni to KMTC Annual

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# Nyandarua County Partners with KMTC to Expand Specialized Healthcare Training



CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch (2<sup>nd</sup> left), Nyandarua County Governor Dr. Moses K. Badilisha (2<sup>nd</sup> right), DDFP&A Ms. Lucy Chebungei (left), and DDA Dr. Nyawira Mwangi (right), during the meeting.

MTC Nyandarua is set to benefit from major infrastructural upgrades and expanded opportunities aimed at strengthening healthcare training.

Students from the Campus will also undertake clinical placements at JM Hospital, which is being upgraded into a 500-bed Level 5 facility.

This was revealed by Nyandarua Governor, Dr. Moses Kiarie Badilisha, on September 18, 2025, during a courtesy visit to KMTC Headquarters in Nairobi, where he was received by CEO Dr. Kelly Oluoch.

"We have embarked on several projects, including levelling the Campus compound and constructing access roads. Additionally, we are putting up a storey building within our facility, and once completed, KMTC will be allocated space to establish a laboratory," the Governor pledged.

Dr. Oluoch thanked the Governor for his continued support of the Campus, noting that the collaboration has enabled the College to succeed in many areas. He emphasized the importance of cementing the partnership through a formal Memorandum of Understanding with the County.

He further underscored the need for expanded student enrolment, the introduction of specialized courses, and improved infrastructure to create a more conducive learning environment. Dr. Oluoch urged the County to support needy students through innovative financing models such as a revolving fund, while also addressing challenges like road access and inadequate facilities that hinder learning.

Also present at the meeting were Deputy Directors Dr. Nyawira Mwangi (Academics) and Ms. Lucy Chebungei (Finance, Planning and Administration).

Dr. Nyawira highlighted the importance of modernizing health facilities and strengthening staffing to support flagship programmes. On her part, Ms. Chebungei proposed county sponsorships to enable staff to pursue Higher Diploma training at KMTC, thereby enhancing capacity for service delivery.

The meeting concluded with an agreement to establish a joint task force to fast-track collaboration in clinical placements, staff development programs, and county-level capacity building under a strategic MoU to be signed.

# The College Welcomes New Students for the September 2025 Intake



DDFP&A Ms Lucy Chebungei addresses new students, their parents and guardians ahead of the admission.



Registrar Academic Affairs Mr. Ronald Wasike makes his address.

he College on September 9, 2025, welcomed more than 18,000 newly admitted students to its campuses across the country, reinforcing its pivotal role in training the health workforce that sustains Kenya's health system.

The admission of this new cohort marks a significant milestone in KMTC's continued growth as Africa's premier public health training institution, renowned for its commitment to quality training, research, and consultancy in health.

Speaking from the KMTC Headquarters in Nairobi, the Deputy Director for Finance, Planning, and Administration (DDFP&A), Ms. Lucy Chebungei, conveyed the message of the Chief Executive Officer, Dr. Kelly Oluoch, congratulating the new students and officially welcoming them to the KMTC community. She reminded them that

by joining the College, they had chosen an institution that not only imparts technical skills but also instills discipline, professionalism, and innovation in preparing fit-for-purpose healthcare workers. She urged them to remain focused, committed, and disciplined throughout their training, emphasizing that these values would define their success.

KMTC admits students through different categories designed to meet Kenya's diverse healthcare training needs. These include preservice programs for students joining directly from secondary school, which cover a wide array of certificate and diploma courses. For practicing health workers, the College offers in-service opportunities and upgrading programs, enabling certificate holders to advance to diploma level in their respective fields. The College also provides higher diploma programs that allow diploma graduates to specialize in areas such as Critical Care Nursing, Oncology, Anesthesia, Orthopedic Surgery Technology, Health Systems Management, and Epidemiology.

With 91 campuses across the country, the College plays a critical role in supplying more than 85 percent of Kenya's middle-level health workforce. Each year, KMTC graduates more than 20,000 health professionals, most of whom are readily absorbed into local hospitals and community facilities, while others pursue regional and international opportunities. The College's expanding reach and flexible training pathways continue to align with Kenya's Universal Health Coverage agenda, ensuring that communities across the country access essential health services through well-trained personnel.

During the official welcome at the Headquarters, Ms.

Chebungei was joined by senior staff members, including Registrar Mr. Ronald Wasike, Deputy Registrar (Admissions) Mr. Thomas Kisukwa, Nairobi Campus Principal Mr. Joseph Ahomo, and Deputy Principal Ms. Caroline Oyugi. Together, they reassured the students of KMTC's support throughout their academic journey and encouraged them to make the most of the opportunities presented to them.

For the more than 18,000 students admitted during the September 2025 intake, the days ahead promise a transformative journey filled with knowledge, practical skills, and service to humanity. Their contributions will continue to strengthen Kenya's health sector while advancing the College's mission of transforming lives through quality training in health sciences.





KMTC staff, new students, their parents and guardians on the admission day.

# KMTC Positioned as Key Partner in Health and Community Development



The Deputy Director for Regional Programmes at the National Syndemic Diseases Control Council, Mr. Dennis Muriithi (centre), KMTC Marsabit Principal Dr. Agnes Linus (4th right), Dean of students Ms. Mary Barille (4th left), County Director of Family Health Ms. Bokayo Arero (2th right) together with participants during the meeting.



#### Participants during the meeting.

MTC Marsabit Campus has been identified as a strategic partner in strengthening community health and tackling pressing social challenges in the region.

In a partnership meeting held on September 3, 2025, leaders from both the National and County Governments affirmed their commitment to deepening collaboration, mobilizing resources, and prioritizing interventions that address the health, social, and economic needs of Marsabit residents.

Assistant County Commissioner Mr. Thomas Ngangi, speaking on behalf of the County Commissioner, underscored the crucial role of government in fostering security, cohesion, and a supportive environment for sustainable development.

KMTC Marsabit Principal, Dr. Agnes Linus, highlighted the Campus's unique role as a knowledge hub equipping local youth with vital health skills. She noted that KMTC Marsabit offers nursing and clinical medicine programmes, as well as demand-driven short courses tailored to community needs. Among the unique initiatives at the Campus is a demand-driven training course for boda boda operators, designed to equip riders with essential health and first aid skills to

enhance their safety and that of their passengers.

"By accelerating capacity building in preventive, promotive, and curative health, we are not only elevating healthcare standards but also tackling broader social vulnerabilities," Dr. Linus observed.

She projected that student enrollment will reach 300 by the end of the year, underscoring the importance of engaging young people in HIV prevention, health promotion, and other community programmes.

The Deputy Director for Regional Programmes at the National Syndemic Diseases Control Council, Mr. Dennis Muriithi, reaffirmed the Council's commitment to supporting adolescent and young people (AYP) programmes in institutions, identifying KMTC as a key centre for delivering health interventions.

County Director of Family Health, Ms. Bokayo Arero commended the County Government's funding commitment and emphasized collaboration, integrated health approaches, and empowering vulnerable groups as champions of disease prevention and control.

# KMTC Joins World in Marking World Pharmacist Day 2025



KMTC Students, Staff and Stakeholders during a pharmaceutical awareness walk in Mombasa town.

he College joined the global community in marking World Pharmacist Day 2025, themed "Think Health, Think Pharmacists," at KMTC Mombasa Campus on September 25, 2025. The event brought together pharmacists and pharmaceutical technologists from KMTC campuses in Mombasa, Nairobi, Nakuru, and Manza, alongside representatives from Mount Kenya University, Coast General Hospital, and the Kenya Pharmaceutical Association, Coast Branch.

According to the International Pharmaceutical Federation (FIP), pharmacists are among the most accessible health professionals, playing a central role in ensuring the safe and effective use of medicines, administering vaccinations, supporting public health campaigns, advocating for rational antibiotic use, and promoting health literacy, particularly in underserved areas. FIP emphasizes that pharmacists' expertise is crucial for safe, cost-effective healthcare, helping strengthen health systems and advance universal health coverage.

However, FIP has raised concerns about workforce shortages and financial constraints leading to the employment of unqualified staff in pharmacy roles, a practice that undermines patient safety, quality of care, and system efficiency.

This year's World Pharmacists Day campaign sought to raise awareness among policymakers and the public about the urgent need to fully integrate trained pharmacists into all health strategies, stressing that investment in pharmacists is an investment in stronger, sustainable health systems for all.

The program at KMTC Mombasa featured a keynote address, a pharmaceutical awareness walk, student-led panel discussions, professional talks, exhibitions, and networking sessions. These activities highlighted the importance of medicine safety, appropriate medication use, and equitable access to pharmacy services.

Panel discussions addressed gaps in medicine safety, the role of qualified pharmacy professionals, and the importance of multidisciplinary teamwork in improving patient outcomes and advancing progress towards universal health coverage.

Participants advocated for the safe, rational use of medication, raised awareness about pharmaceutical abuse, and discussed the profession's expanding role in mental health care.

For KMTC, this commemoration is more than a celebration. It reinforced the College's commitment to providing high-quality pharmacy training and career development for students, while contributing to Kenya's goal of building a patient-centered, resilient health system.

# Smiles and Healing at KMTC Port Reitz as Turkish Doctors Conduct Medical Camp



KMTC Port Reitz Principal Mr. Festus Lwambi (2<sup>nd</sup> left), Changamwe Constituency MP Hon. Omar Mwinyi (2<sup>nd</sup> right), and two Turkish Doctors who participated in the Male Circumcision clinic in the Campus.

t was a day of hope and relief at KMTC Port Reitz, as hundreds of families turned up for a free medical circumcision camp.

The initiative, held on September 17, 2025, was led by a team of doctors from Turkey under the Holistic Education Trust, in collaboration with the area Member of Parliament, Hon. Omar Mwinyi.

Using modern laser technology, the doctors successfully circumcised 235 children, delivering safer and faster procedures that gave parents much-needed reassurance.

Beyond the camp, discussions between the visiting doctors and KMTC leadership explored opportunities for training partnerships and the establishment of specialized clinics that would bring advanced healthcare services closer to the Port Reitz community.

The area MP, Hon. Omar Mwinyi, who graced the occasion, expressed his gratitude to KMTC for hosting the initiative and pledged continued support for such collaborations.

"Today, we have seen the impact that partnerships can have in touching lives. I am proud that our children are benefiting from world-class care, and I look forward to working with KMTC and our Turkish partners to expand healthcare solutions for our people," said Hon. Mwinyi.

Representing the CEO, Dr. Kelly Oluoch, Port Reitz Campus Principal, Mr. Festus Lwambi, reaffirmed the College's commitment to community health.

"KMTC is not just about training health professionals within classroom walls. We are part of this community, and by supporting initiatives like this, we fulfill our mission of bringing health closer to the people. This is a commitment we shall continue to uphold," he said.

The event was also graced by local leaders, including the Speaker of the Mombasa County Assembly, Hon. Aharub Ebrahim Khatri, and the Port Reitz Ward MCA, Hon. Makarani Fadhili Mwalimu, who commended the exercise as a step forward in improving community health.

The smiles of relieved parents and the joy of children summed up the day, reflecting the power of partnerships that bring education, healthcare, and compassion together for the benefit of the community.

# **College Rolls out Student Leadership and Mentorship Programme**



(Front row R-L): - Deputy Principals: Mr. Abdihashim Yusuf (Wajir), Mr. Thomas Muange (Chuka) and, Ms. Gathoni Muraguri (Molo), during the training.

MTC has launched a Student Leadership and Mentorship Programme to prepare students for positions of influence both within the College and in the broader society.

The initiative, which will be championed by Deputy Principals in collaboration with the Deans of Students and Faculty, aims to equip student leaders with essential skills while providing mentorship opportunities.

Speaking during the official opening of the training on Wednesday, 1 October 2025, the Deputy Director of Academics, Dr. Nyawira Mwangi, reaffirmed the College's commitment to nurturing leaders who will inspire positive change in their communities and beyond.

"This programme allows our students to grow, to lead, and to carry forward the values of service, integrity, and excellence that the College stands for," she said, noting that the Training of Trainers (TOT) model is a key step toward achieving this goal.

The programme follows survey findings that highlighted a leadership gap among students serving in various roles.

Dr. Nyawira explained that the programme will target student leaders, including Student Representative Council (SRC) members, class representatives, club and association leaders, as well as officials of religious organizations.



DDA Dr. Nyawira Mwangi (right) and Deputy Registrar Student Affairs Ms. Grace Mwangi During the Training at Nakuru Campus.

The first round of ToT training for Deputy Principals commenced on September 30, 2025, and will run until October 3, 2025. A second cohort is scheduled for October 6 and 9, 2025.

Each campus will design a programme suited to its leadership needs. The best initiatives will then compete and the winning Campuses will receive mentorship support and awards.



Mbooni MP Hon. Erastus Kivasu presents a cheque worth Kshs. 8 million to KMTC Mbooni Principal, Ms. Felistus Kimanzi, on September 4, 2025, to support the completion of the third phase of a three-storey classroom block. She is flanked by KMTC and County staff during the handover at Mbooni Campus.



Awendo Campus Principal, Mr. Humphrey Aremo (right), on September 6, 2025, hosted Awendo MP, Hon. John Walter Owino (left), for a review of progress and discussions on key development initiatives at the Campus.



Awendo Campus Principal, Mr. Humphrey Aremo, with stakeholders on September 10, 2025, during the handover of a one-acre parcel of land from the County Government of Migori to construct student hostels under the Affordable Housing Program.



Awendo Campus Principal, Mr. Humphrey Aremo (2<sup>nd</sup> left), on September 16, 2025, joined county officials during the inauguration of the ultra-modern MCH and theatre at Awendo Sub-County Hospital. In his remarks, the Principal highlighted key areas of the College's Strategic Plan and underscored the need for stronger collaboration with the county.

Awendo Campus Principal, Mr. Humphrey Aremo, with staff from KPLC and the ICT Authority on September 20, 2025, during a site visit to assess areas within the Campus requiring improved internet and electricity connectivity.



Kangema Campus on September 25, 2025 during a meeting with the Ministry of Housing and contractors to officially hand over the site for the construction of student hostels under the affordable housing program.

Mandera Campus students
during a friendly football match
against the Mandera County
Assembly team on September
24, 2025, an encounter
that fostered teamwork,
good sportsmanship, and
strengthened community ties.





[Photo 1 and 2] Karuri Campus students and staff during a tour of the Kenya National Assembly and Senate on September 24, 2025, where they gained insights into the legislative process.





Mr. Ezekiel Kombech, Ms. Winfred Ndinda, Mandera Campus Principal Mr. Dika Boru, and Mr. Joseph Njoroge during an internal quality management system audit exercise at KMTC Mandera on September 18, 2025.

Principal Mbooni Campus, Ms. Felistus Kimanzi, celebrates with students upon receipt of their new bus.



Kilifi Campus Principal, Mr. Alex Deche (seated 3<sup>rd</sup> right), on September 18, 2025, received the Kilifi North Sub-County Security team led by Deputy County Commissioner, Mr. Samuel Muinde Mutisya (seated 4<sup>th</sup> left). The team joined staff and newly admitted students during their orientation session to discuss security concerns and explore strategies for mitigation.



Parents, guardians and new students arrive at Vihiga Campus ahead of admissions.



Ugunja Police Station OCS, Mr. Johnstone Mwamburi, and OCPD, Mr. Benjolife Munuve, sensitized first-year students of KMTC Ugunja on security matters and protocol during the September 2025 orientation.



Marsabit County
Commissioner Mr.
James Mwangi
accompanied by
County Security
heads, visited KMTC
Marsabit to address
students and staff on
security matters.



Makindu Campus Principal, Ms. Margaret Juma, addresses parents, guardians, and students ahead of admissions.



Mbooni Campus - Briefing of new students, their guardians and parents during the September 2025 admissions.



Siaya Campus Principal, Mr. Ben Simiyu, accompanied by staff, addresses new students together with their parents and guardians ahead of admissions.



Nyamache Campus Principal Mr. Tom Oogo (centre) briefs new students, their guardians and parents ahead of their admission.



KMTC Narok staff and new students during orientation.



KMTC Karuri staff and new students during orientation.



KMTC Makueni-Mbuvo satellite staff and new students during orientation.

#### CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY



Nairobi Campus demonstrated excellence at the 2025 Nairobi International Trade Fair, securing three major awards: second place in Best Tertiary Education Institution Other Than University (for the fifth consecutive year), third place in Best Stand that Best Interprets the Current Show Theme: Education and/or Research, and second place in Best Display and Services in the Health Sector and Pharmaceuticals Stand.

### **CORPORATE SOCIAL RESPONSIBILITY**



Bodaboda riders undergoing a hands-on practical session at KMTC Eldoret on September 12, 2025, under a program sponsored by Secure Light Boda Boda SACCO, Uasin Gishu. The initiative successfully trained 105 riders, equipping them with essential skills to enhance safety and save lives in the course of their daily work.







Former MCA for Hospital Ward, Mathare Constituency, Mr. Patrick Musili Mbangula (4th left), on September 11, 2025, joined Mathari Campus Principal, Mrs. Florence Maina (5th right), students, staff, and the Mathare Community Environment Group in a tree planting exercise where he donated 300 seedlings.

### **UNESCO 03-PLUS KNOWLEDGE EXCHANGE VISIT**

he College hosted delegates from seven UNESCO O3-PLUS implementing countries to facilitate the exchange of experiences and best practices in promoting student health, wellness, and gender equality. The countries are: Kenya, Uganda, Tanzania, Zambia, Zimbabwe, South Africa, and Namibia. The delegation also included UNESCO officials from Switzerland.

KMTC highlighted achievements such as improved health-seeking behaviour, better reporting of gender-based violence, increased HIV testing, and strong peer support systems. Delegates toured facilities including the gender desk, student wellness centre, and safe spaces offering psychosocial support. The delegates commended KMTC for its leadership and innovative approaches, reaffirming its position as a model institution in promoting student health and gender equality.



UNESCO 03-Plus Regional Programme Officer, Ms. Daphnee Blanc, during the meeting



A section of the Nairobi Campus Choir entertains guests during the meeting.



UNESCO 03-Plus Regional Programme Officer Ms. Daphnee Blanc (3<sup>rd</sup> left), with a section of participants at the students Wellness Center during the UNESCO-03Plus Implementers' Knowledge Exchange Visit.

Deputy Director Finance, Planning & Administration Ms. Lucy Chebungei, with participants and students during the UNESCO-03-Plus Implementers' Knowledge Exchange Visit.









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