

Maternity ward workers test positive of coronavirus in Kenya



Nairobi, July 16 (RHC)-- Some 41 workers at Kenya's largest maternity hospital have tested positive for the coronavirus, according to the Associated Press news agency.

Ministry of health Director General Dr Patrick Amoth said 19 cases involve health care workers and 22 are hospital support staff.

He says those infected are asymptomatic and undergoing medical care under home-based isolation. Three mothers at the facility also tested positive for COVID-19, but Amoth says no babies have been affected.

He says services at the hospital will continue and measures have been put in place to protect the health workers and the public visiting the hospital.

Nurses Association of Kenya President Alfred Obengo says infection control prevention measures at the hospital weren't followed.

The first doctor in Kenya to die of COVID-19 was buried Monday, amid calls by health professionals for better insurance coverage and compensation. Kenya has recorded 10,791 coronavirus cases and 202 confirmed deaths.

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