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## **PRESS RELEASE ON NEG ROAD MAP TO WITHDRAW THEIR SERVICES OVER LOW/OUTDATED RATES ALLOWANCES FOR SCRIPT MARKING, CARE STUDY, RESEARCH, PRACTICAL ASSESSMENT AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS**

The Nurse Educators' Group (NEG) is a specialized group under Ghana Registered Nurses and Midwives Association of Ghana. NEG made a request through a communiqué dated **20<sup>th</sup> of June, 2022** at the end of its 2022 Annual General Meeting held at Sunyani to the Ministry of Health for a review of the following allowances and other related matters for our members in the light of the current difficult economic situations in the country.

1. Script marking
2. Care study
3. Research supervision
4. Practical assessment
5. Labour ward assessment
6. Invigilation
7. Field/ clinical supervision
8. Health talk supervision
9. Research and book

The other related matters include;

1. Review on the health training institutions **30%** reservation of approved admission quotas to the Ministry.
2. Scrapping of the **34%** gross of the interview proceeds to be paid to the Ministry.
3. The nursing forms should be sold by the various health training institutions but not the Ministry of Health. These proceeds could be used as internal generated funds in which various institutions can use to develop their infrastructure and human resource needs as we aspire to attain tertiary status.



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## 4. Road map to the conversion of Health Training Institutions into degree awarding

The intention of industrial action by the Nurse Educators' Group across all the Health Training Institutions in Ghana effective August was approved by the council at the 2022 AGM in case the Ministry of Health fails to attend to the issues raised above.

We are appalled at the inept attitude of the Ministry of Health relative to our call on the review of the 2015 approved allowances rates and other related matters after several reminders. For instance, after the issuance of the communiqué, some National Executives made a follow-up to the ministry but no avail. No engagement has been made so far to kick-start the negotiations on the review of the proposed rates. The loud silence of the Ministry of Health is worrisome and leaves much to be desired of any Ministry that cares about its workers. The members of this noble group can no longer bear the hardships. We, therefore, reject the **low rate allowances as well as the inequalities in allowances** paid in the various public health training institutions of this country.

The leadership of this noble Group is compelled under the current economic hardships and the lukewarm attitude demonstrated by the health training institutions unit (HTIu) of the ministry to publicly communicate to Ghanaians the road map of our intention to withdraw **some of our services** from the various health training institutions across the country.

### **The Road Map**

**11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup>** August, 2022 –Wearing of red arm/wrist bands in all health training institutions.

**18<sup>nd</sup> – 19<sup>th</sup>** August, 2022 –Withdrawal of **care-study supervision** and **conduct of midsem** exams.

**2<sup>nd</sup> September**, 2022 –Withdrawal of **classroom teaching and other services** in all health training institutions.

We are by this medium informing all our members to follow the above road map religiously until you hear otherwise from your leadership.

Thank You.



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Yours faithfully

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6. The President, Ghana Registered Nurses and Midwives' Association
7. The National Labour Commission
8. All Regional Chairpersons, NEG
9. The Media



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