

IAMRA Announcement

Daniel Yumbya, CEO of the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council Receives Presidential Honors

Uhuru Muigai Kenyatta, President and Commander-in-Chief of the Defence Forces of the Republic of Kenya has awarded Mr. Daniel M. Yumbya the Elder of the Order of the Burning Spear in recognition of distinguished and outstanding services rendered to the nation. Mr. Yumbya was previously awarded the Moran of the Order of the Burning Spear in 2018.

The Order of the Burning Spear was instituted on April 21, 1966 for distinguished services to dignitaries, members of public service, and professionals.

The Order is divided into three classes: Chief of the Order of the Burning Spear, Elder of the Order of the Burning Spear, and Moran of the Order of the Burning Spear.

Some of the notable figures who have received this award include former Statehouse Spokesman Manoah Esipisu, 800-meters Olympic Champion and world record holder David Rudisha, and veteran journalist Jeff Koinange of Citizen Television Kenya.

Mr. Yumbya has served as the Chief Executive Officer of the Kenya Medical Practitioners and Dentists Council since 2010. He is a seasoned health regulator with a passion to ensure quality health care and improved patient safety. He served as a Consultant with the IFC/World Bank on Kenya Patients Safety Impact Evaluation (KePSIE) Project between 2016 and 2017.

Mr. Yumbya has been instrumental in the development and dissemination of various policy documents nationally, at East Africa Community (EAC) Region and in the Africa continent under the Association of Medical Councils of Africa (AMCOA). He has also been the Chair of the Finance Committee of AMCOA since 2012.

Mr. Yumbya is the current Chair of the IAMRA Membership and Programs Committee, a role he has held since since 2017; and a member of the IAMRA Board of Directors, representing the Africa Continent.