

# MEMO:

**From:** GMOA

**To:** All members of GMOA

**Date:** 04<sup>th</sup> October 2012

**Re:** Health Ministry Circular to release all noted medical officers.

## Background:

As an all island service category, medical officers are subjected to annual transfers in every four years. Non-implementation of annual transfers had been discussed in many forums over the last few years and a study has revealed that only 10-20% of the transfer orders are implemented each year.

In this backdrop, the Secretary Health issued a circular dated 21/09/2012 instructing the heads of all institutions to release **all 'noted' medical officers** from the respective institutions within the period from 01<sup>st</sup> October to 31<sup>st</sup> October. **The circular further emphasizes that the salaries of the medical officers who are noted and not released within the aforesaid period will be suspended within 2 weeks from 31<sup>st</sup> October 2012.**

## Problem:

We strongly believe that immediate implementation of transfer orders will disturb the smooth functioning of the health institutions and will cause lot of inconvenience to our members. Therefore we expressed out strong displeasure against the said circular and discussed an interim solution.

The GMOA has decided to consider the appeals of these noted medical officers. The appeals should be recommended by the respective branch union and forwarded through the respective Provincial Coordinator to the appeal board. The decision to suspend to salary will be lifted as there is an appeal procedure to follow.

The application form is available in the GMOA website ([www.gmoa.lk](http://www.gmoa.lk)) and will be faxed to all respective branch unions.

## Provincial Coordinators of the Transfer board

Province	Coordinator	Area of Responsibility	Contact No.
1. Central province	Dr. Kanchana Bulankulama	Entire Central Province	776603530
2. Eastern province	Dr. Gunasingam Sukunan	Entire Eastern province	773417477
3. Northern Province	Dr. Sai Niranjan Balakrishnan	Entire Northern Province	777225320
4. North Central Province	Dr. Nandimithra Opathella	Anuradhapura District	714015027
	Dr. S. Atapattu	Polonnaruwa District	714807716
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	Dr. Kapil Mallawarchchi	Kurunegala Periphery/Puttalam District	718667066
6. Sabaragamuwa	Dr. Vipul Indralal	Rathnapura District	777268142
	Dr. Neil wijewardena	Kegalle District	718305493
7. Southern province	Dr. Nath Wijesuriya	Galle Distict/Hambanthota District	714428322
	Dr. Harsha Wickremasinghe	Matara District	718116937
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	Dr. Nalinda Herath	LRH/CIM/EYE/SJGH/CMC	717876516
	Dr. Amila Gunawardena	CSHW/MRI/MIMH/IDH/Mulleriyawa	772615503
	Dr. Haritha Aluthge	Awisswella/Homagama/Colombo Periphery	718121619
	Dr. D. K. Perera	Gampaha District	773711802
	Dr. S. H. Kolambage	Kalutara GH	718429442
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**Secretary**

**Government Medical Officers' Association**