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A. DUCE DISPENSARY BACKGROUND INFORMATION

The management and staff at the DUCE Dispensary wish to welcome each and every one of you to DUCE. This is the perfect institution prepared to provide and nurture your academic potential to the highest achievement.

Success of your academic life at DUCE comes from a healthier body, mind and environment. The DUCE Dispensary has been established to provide you with quality healthcare services within your easy reach. It serves students, staff and the surrounding communities. Our main focus is prevention, diagnostic and treatment of communicable and non-communicable diseases.

Administratively, the DUCE Dispensary falls under the Deputy Principal – Administration as per the organizational structure of the College.

B. OUR PHYSICAL LOCATION

The DUCE Dispensary is located just adjacent to the DUCE main entrance gate, along Taifa Road. We are close to NBC Bank and National Stadium.

C. DUCE DISPENSARY ADMINISTRATION PROFILE

The listed here-under are the officers who form the management profile of the DUCE Dispensary. Their position and mobile numbers are listed. Feel free to contact them anytime in case you need their guidance or assistance.

	FULL NAME	POSITION	CONTACT
1.	Dr.Saning'oSangeti	Medical Officer In-Charge	0755255212
2.	Sr. RukiaNyembo	Nurse Officer In-Charge	0714 105 074
3.	Sr. Niwabigira Wilhelmina	Assistant Matron	0713 485 599

4.	Mr.PontianHondi	Head – Laboratory	0788 731 513
5.	Mr.MatageGatawa	Head – Pharmacy	0788 416 369
6.	Mr.KenedyKituye	Environmental Health Officer	0714 811 314

D. OUR SERVICES

- 1. Outpatient Care
- 2. Patient Observation services
- 3. Diagnostic Laboratory
- 4. Pharmacy
- 5. 24hrs Ambulance Services
- 6. Customized Health Check-ups
- 7. Special Youth Programmes
- 8. Medical Examination services
- 9. Community Outreach Services
- 10. VCT for HIV/AIDS
- 11. Reproductive and Child Health services

E. OPENING & CLOSING HOURS

We are open **24** HRS, **7** DAYS A WEEK (Monday – Sunday)

F. PAYMENT SCHEME

The payment scheme is by CASH or HEALTH INSURANCE. Currently we ONLY serve members under the National Health Insurance Fund (NHIF). In the future we plan to link with other health insurance schemes. Kindly be informed that you can only receive healthcare services if you produce a valid health insurance card. Make sure that your NHIF card well in advance, just at the beginning of our academic year. Contact the office of Dean of Students for further information.

We also provide Medical examination services to newly admitted students at a cost of **5000/= TSh**, which should be paid to the University through a specific control number from the Office of Bursar.

G. GENERAL INFORMATION TO STUDENTS

1. A guide to staying healthier at DUCE

You are advised to check your health status regularly. If you develop any symptoms or be in a state of ill-health kindly visit the DUCE Dispensary immediately for early diagnosis and treatment. Late seeking of healthcare attention may negatively affect the recovery or outcome of your health problem.

You are also advised to observe high standards of hygienic practices everywhere and every time being it at the lecture theatres, in gatherings, cafeteria, vimbweta and at your room.

Dustbins have been put almost in all key places at the campus. Avoid littering the environment

2. Alcohol, Drug abuse, HIV/AIDS and sexually transmitted infections

You are advised to strictly avoid use of alcohol as this affects your academic performance. Drinking impairs significantly your cognitive function. Decision making under the influence of alcohol may lead to serious untoward consequences.

You also advised to protect yourself and others from HIV/AIDS. The best approach is to abstain from pre-marital sex. If you cannot abstain from sex then be faithful to your single partner and always use a condom consistently and persistently during sexual intercourse.

We provide free voluntary testing counselling (VCT) for HIV/AIDS. If you need advise on treatment and care (CTC) for HIV/AIDS feel free to consult us. Ethics, confidentially and privacy shall le highly observed.

3. Transport and Road Safety

Road traffic accident (RTA) is currently a leading cause of mortality and morbidity in our country. Be advised to take all the necessary precautions when using motor vehicles. Of special note is the use of helmet every-time you ride on a motorcycle.

4. Falling sick outside the College

In case you fall sick outside the College campus immediately notify the office of the Medical Officer In-Charge by any means possible such as through your fellow students and/or family members. You are free to receive healthcare services at any health facility of your choice but you are obliged to inform the responsible College officers immediately.

5. Referral procedures

All medical needs shall be attended at DUCE Dispensary except for problems which requires expertise attention in terms of specialized personnel and equipments. If you succumb to problems requiring attention of a specialized healthcare personnel and/or hospital you shall be referred promptly for the same. Our default referral hospital is Temeke Regional Referral Hospital. However, the nature of your medical problem may dictate on our side the choice of a referral health facility such as Mikocheni Hospital and Muhimbili National Hospital just to mention a few.

6. Postponement of academic activities on medical ground

In case you fall sick and you are unable to attend classes and/or admitted outside DUCE, report the matter immediately to the Medical Officer In charge. You can use your fellow students, friends or family members to report your health status on your behalf. A dully medical report must be availed to support the claim.

Postponement of academic activities such as seminars, lectures, course work, tests and examinations must be fully supported by an authentic medical reason and evidence for the same must be produced. All these information must be channelled through the office of the Medical Officer In-Charge. Note that late or retrospective information is STRICTLY not acceptable.

WELCOME TO DUCE AND WE WISH YOU A HEALTH STAY