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The Ghana Registered Nurses and Midwives Association (GRNMA) at its National Council meeting held on 13th December, 2019 noted with concern, the plight of majority of Nurses and Midwives interns on National Service across the country who are faced with the predicament of non-payment of National Service Allowance over a period of eight months attributed to avoidable bottlenecks in their biometric registration.

The few who have received their allowances were paid for only November 2019 on Level 8 low instead of Level 12 low on the single spine salary structure as negotiated by the GRNMA.

This is deemed as a dis-service to these interns and will not be tolerated by the Mother Association.

We therefore request as a matter of urgency that the Ministry of Health and its agencies and the Ministry of Finance should address the matter and all other bottlenecks related to the internship of these nurses and midwives on National Service.

In view of all the above, we demand immediate attention to be paid to the following:

- 1. Rotation Nurses and Midwives (Nurse Interns) and Degree Prepared Nurses doing their National Service should be paid corresponding allowances on Level 12 low on the single spine salary structure.
- 2. Salary Arrears due the Nurses and Midwives Interns from April, 2019 to date should be paid to them by 31st January, 2020.

- 3. Cost of the biometric registration of these Interns now and in the future should be borne by the Ministry of Health and not the Rotation Nurses and Midwives.
- 4. All outstanding issues should also be resolved by 31st December, 2019 to forestall and industrial unrest.

Signed

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