

Humanitarian and healthcare workers killed in South Sudan

In recent months, several humanitarian and healthcare workers have been threatened, beaten, arrested, detained, tortured and even killed in several parts of South Sudan. The South Sudan Doctors' Union has condemned these acts and called on the government to protect healthcare workers, investigate these incidences and bring the perpetrators to book. SSMJ remembers some of the health workers killed or found dead in their duty stations below.

Dr Louis Edward Saleh

Dr Louis, who was working at Ganyiel PHCC in Unity State under the International Rescue Committee (IRC), was killed in cold blood within the health facility on 21 May 2021. The 41-year-old doctor started his career in 2013 at Juba Teaching Hospital and worked in Bor before moving to Ganyiel Payam where he unfortunately met his death.

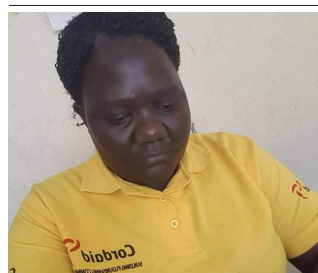


Dr Dominic Pitia

Dr Dominic Pitia, who worked for Care International as the Emergency Health Manager in Akobo, was found dead in his room in Jonglei State on 27 July 2021. Dr Pitia was a graduate of the College of Medicine, University of Juba and had previously studied at Usratuna and Comboni Secondary School, Juba. In a press release, CARE International stated that both the organization and local authorities are conducting investigations into the cause of death.

Mr Mabior Manyok Ader

Mabior Manyok Ader, a clinical officer working at Pajut PHCC, was found dead in his room in Duk, Jonglei State, on 27 July 2021. Mabior was working for the Médecins du Monde (Médicos del Mundo), a French medical organization that provides emergency and long-term medical care to people in several parts of South Sudan.



Ms Amono Anna Clara

Ms Amono Anna Clara, a specialist nurse in Reproductive Health working for Cordaid, an international emergency relief and development organization in South Sudan, succumbed to her injuries after she was shot in an ambush between Chukudum and Camp 15 in Budi County, Eastern Equatoria State on 12 May 2021. Amono was from Adilang Subcounty in the Agago district in Uganda and is survived by one child.