

## Cell C's Knott-Craig suffers minor stroke

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Mobile carrier Cell C said its chief executive Alan Knott-Craig had suffered a minor stroke and was recovering in hospital, but responding well to treatment. He is expected to make a full recovery.



Cell Cs Alan Knott-Craig is in hospital after a minor stroke. Image: Cell C

Cell C's chief commercial officer, Jose Dos Santos will act as CEO until Knott-Craig returns to work.

In 2006 while running Vodacom, Knott-Craig suffered a heart attack, his second. Knott-Craig was the founding CEO of Vodacom, but retired in 2008.

Since joining Cell C in April last year, Knott-Craig has been on a crusade to lower prices and last year sparked a price war that has led to a reduction in retail prices by all network operators.

He has vowed to work continue his fight for lower prices from all mobile phone network operators.

Knott-Craig successfully lobbied the Independent Communications Authority of SA to reduce the mobile termination rates, and last month he filed a complaint with the Competition Commission, accusing MTN and Vodacom, - which between them control 90% of the mobile market - of anti-competitive behaviour.