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AFRICAN DANCE BY STAFF AND INTERN S



PHARMACY WEEK 15 & 21 SEPTEMBER 2017

On 15 September 2017 Pharmacy Interns visited Overport City Clinic to educate moms about the importance of vaccines. A power point presentation was presented in an interactive session.

They asked questions based on the presentation, where moms were able to win prizes as well. The presentation ended by moms who stay till the end received baby hampers.



PRESENTATION BY INTERNS: NABEELA ESSA ,RIDHWANA CASSIM, & MAYMOONA SEEDAT



Mrs Z Mbatha—PRO
handing the hamper to
Mom the prize winner.
Mr Khumalo—Clinic Manager

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On 21 September we had a vaccine awareness in the children's clinic at the same time reach for a dream contributed their service by sending Dilly the clown which was held in the children's play room.

Kids were given " I want to be vaccinated stickers and were entertained by the clown. They all left the hospital with the goody bag .

A big thank you to Pharmacy Interns.

PHARMACY WEEK



Dilly—the clown playing with the children

McCord Hospital celebrated legends



*Pastor S Chili— Hospital Board Member
Guest Speaker*

Theme “ Be bold for change”

MMcCord Hospital took a stand to celebrate retired staff for sterling work they have done during their time of employment at the hospital.

The celebration was also to say thank for paving the way and to mentored the young Generation to deliver good quality care service in health facilities.

Key notes by: Pastor Chili encouraged women to stand up and take their position to be visible wherever they are.

Among the programme planned for the day, was a glamorous fashion show which was part of empowering women.

A delicious lunch was served to all guest while one of the in-service student entertaining the audience with soothing music.

It was a day to be remembered by all attendees.



ACTING CEO—DR J MANNIE WITH SR USAGO, SR GAEGHLER SR H ALLEE AND MATRON B NGCOBO ALL MCCORD RETIREES



STAFF ACHIEVEMENTS



The Hospital Board, Management and staff would like to congratulate Sr C Pillay for awarded the certificate of outstanding achievement for obtaining the highest marks in the KwaZulu Natal College of Nursing Examinations Edendale Campus for the course Post Basic Diploma in Ophthalmic Nursing Science.

We are very proud of the class of 2016.

“Shine McCord Provincial Eye Hospital shine”



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CELEBRATING THE YEAR OF HARD WORK IS THE CULTURE AT
McCORD HOSPITAL



Pastor L Chetty—Hospital Board Member : Guest Speaker . Main table Hospital Board

A thankful organization will always have a productive staff, this is part of McCord Provincial Eye Hospital fundamental. A year end celebration is the time for the Hospital Board and Management Team to thank all staff for rendering the best service to the community which is in line with the six priority of service delivery.

The function was attended by the Hospital Board, local Ministries and staff.

Key notes by: Pastor L Chetty a Board Member thanked Management Team and staff for the commitment in rendering excellent service and maintaining the good standard of the organization. He also thanked all Pastors for their role to the morning service which is part of holistic care.

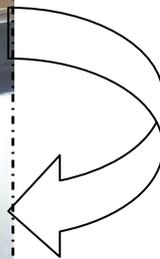
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Hospital Board , Management Team and Labour Relations



Duet Gospel Music by Dr J Mannie –CEO
And Intern Pinky Molowana



The Operational Managers took the audience by storm when they sang Christmas Carols beautifully.



“ **Count Me In: Together Moving at South Africa Non- Violent South Africa Forward**

16 Days of activism against women and children awareness campaign



The Social Work department conducted the 16 Days awareness campaign on the 8 December to raise awareness of the negative impact caused by violence and abuse on women and children.

According to the statistics it shows that we are not doing much on escalating the information to the community at large. Our role is to encourage people to understand their rights as our parliament has passed laws to protect the rights of individual against abuse.

Mrs. N Sosibo—Social Work Guest Speaker

It is our responsibility to have a continuous talks in order to encourage the vulnerable to take action for the abuses.

The talk was interactive, audience was showing interest and asking questions on the topic **Count Me In**. They were all wearing white ribbons in showing support.

The campaign was a success because people requested a one on one session with the Social Worker at the end of the talk.

An Intern pledged on behalf of men by conveying a message in a form of a poem, to say no to women & children abuse.

The response was positive. Thanks to the Social Work Department for organizing the campaign

Attendees



Commemoration of HIV/Aids is on the 1 December Worldwide



MMcCord Hospital showed support to those infected and affected by HIV/Aids epidemic.

The commemoration took place on the 1 December 2017

Key Notes by: Dr R Adams under the theme “ **Let our Actions Count: It is my right to know my status, Prevention is My Responsibility**”

The highlights was on young girls who get infected at young age more than the boys. Parents has a responsibility to start talking to their children at a younger age.

She encouraged everyone to get tested at list once a year and also to use precaution . The statistics shows that the number of young girls getting infected everyday is still high.

The good news is, when a patients is taking the medication properly she/he can live longer. It has been proven that the life expectancy has now increased. People are no longer dying in large numbers like before 2009.

The message was informative and received positively.

Pastor M Mkhize lit a candle of hope



Saving Vision through Education By World Sight Foundation

Training started on 6-9 October 2017

The mission of the World Sight Foundation is to deliver sustainable solutions for the relief of blindness, and for preserving sight anywhere in the world. This will be achieved by enhancing, through education, the skills of locally based eye care professionals. The World Sight Foundation has conducted three training sessions at McCord Provincial Eye Hospital. The first two were delegates from South Africa. The third training was delegates from Africa, which includes Kenya, Botswana, Swaziland, Zambia and Uganda.

The course aimed to update knowledge on commonly encountered ophthalmic disease of adults and children through a series of interactive lectures in order to facilitate awareness of treatment options and of the indications for referral. It is also update skills in the examination of adults and children through a series of clinical demonstrations.

Delegates were given an opportunity to interact with one another and they were encouraged to continue with subsequent contact and dialogue. The instructors are qualified volunteers. The foundation was founded by Dr Anthony Chignal.

STUDENTS WERE AWARDED CERTIFICATE ON THE LAST DAY



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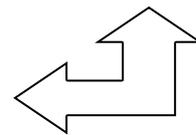


Dr J Mannie—Acting CEO (middle) Left— Sr H Allee, Sheikh Walid R EL Saadi (IIROSA) Dr P Thumbi



Mrs. Chignal and daughter

GUEST AND DELEGATED AT THE LAUNCH



Professor L Visser and guest

'Make Vision Count' At Kwathintwa School For Deaf

MMcCord Optometrist and Nurses

visited the school for the deaf on 12/10/2017 to do eye screening as part of community outreach programme during the World Sight Week.

Kwathintwa is a public hearing impairment school for the deaf founded in the Inchanga Roman catholic Mission on 1 February 1980 by late Archbishop Denise Hudey. He met a young child who was deaf and unable to be educated and that is what marked the beginning of the now Kwathintwa School for the Deaf. The school opened its door for first time to 40 deaf children in February 1981 to date they are 365 learner's.

About 60 learner's were screened and referred to the local clinic for further treatment. 15 were issued glasses which were donated by Brien Holden. You could observed excitement after choosing the colour frame of their chose.

The hospital is planning to visit more schools to do eye testing because they have realize that children are brought to the hospital late for something that can be preventable at a early age.



The optometrist is seen doing the screening and issuing glasses



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