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CLAIRWOOD HOSPITAL OBSERVED WORLD PREMATURITY DAY



Health care users together with Clairwood hospital staff.

Creating an awareness about proper ways of looking after new born baby is crucial for the baby's progressive growth. It is particularly important to educate mothers on their role in taking care of premature babies.

World Prematurity Day is observed annually on the 17th November. The aim of observing this day is to create an awareness and equip mothers with important information to raise a preterm baby.

Having a preterm ward which uses Kangaroo Mother Care method for the development of preterm babies, Clairwood hospital hosted health care users to observe this day. The aim of this event was to send a message to health care users with premature babies to say, although it may seem hard to raise a preterm baby but if one is equipped with all information it therefore become easy.

About five former Clairwood hospital health care users were invited to give a testimony and to show the current health care users their babies that were born prematurely who have grown up and developed progressively. This was done to demonstrate that preterm babies do grow up well.

Mothers were entertained with music by staff members and were all gifted with baby hampers as some of them did not have anything to clothe their babies when they are discharged from hospital.

SOCIAL WORK DEPARTMENT CREATES AWARENESS ON GEN-DER BASED VIOLENCE



Social Workers addressing health care users during GB campaign

Social Work Department once again embarked on an awareness campaign on Gender Based Violence (GBV). The campaign which runs from 25 November up until 10 December every year with re-enforcement which is done throughout the year is so relevant in a country like South Africa where GBV is prevalent

Awareness was about enlightening health care users about the scourge of Gender Based Violence which is very rife nowadays. A lot of women die in the hands of their partners through GBV which could be avoided if women are empowered to stand up and fight an abuse. It also talks to the issue of reaching out to men out there as quite often men are mostly perpetrators.

GBV Campaign helps to bring about an awareness of different types of abuse which is experienced by women and children in our communities. It helps to empower the community to say no to an abuse and be able to gain self confidence on situations which are otherwise make themselves reliant on people that are abusing them. It also produces healthy families as the studies suggests that children who grew up in violent homes tend to be violent themselves to their partners when they are old. It also affect them at school and some end up being drop outs. An awareness campaign on GBV also helps to break the culture of abuse among our communities

This campaign which was able to reach about 200 health care users was an achievement in the sense that all health care users who were engaged are now well informed and they will be amongst people in the community who have been empowered bout GBV.



CLAIRWOOD HOSPITAL COMMEMORATE TB DAY

Although South Africa has made a significant stride in the fight against Tb cases are still very high and are 8 times higher, with 852 cases per 100,000 people, according to a lancet study.

Clairwood hospital as a health facility has a duty to continuously create an awareness about TB. Hence there was a TB day event in corroboration with Aurum Institute which provides mobile X-ray.

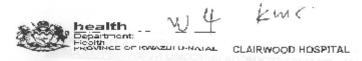
Talking on this day Professional Nurse Xulu a TB champion stated that it was important that this day is commemorated in every corner of South Africa with the aim of creating awareness since South Africa is among the top ten countries in the world with a high number of TB infections.

Her message was that all health care users who visits the facility should be encouraged to check for TB so as to detect infection at an early stage before one get sick. "Those who are found positive must be supported and be encouraged to finish their course of treatment in order to avoid developing treatment resistance".

Quite a number of patients heeded the call and went to test for TB. They were happy that such a service was made available for them for free and was efficient.

Employees also took the opportunity to go and check their TB status.

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PICTURES OF ALL STAF MEMBERS WHO ATTENDED A WOMENS DAY EVENT





Social Workers walking around the hospital chatting to health care users on GBV issues



The above four pictures were taken during Prematurity day

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