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UNIVERSITY OF ABUJA TEACHING HOSPITAL GWAGWALADA, ABUJA.

OUR VISION

To render qualitative and effective Specialists' health care services through well-motivated staff at an affordable rate.

MISSION

Our corporate mission is that of a well-equipped, modern tertiary health facility with a dedicated manpower to fulfill the following functions:

1. Render efficient and effective health care services to all categories of patients/clients within and outside the Federal Capital Territory.

2. Provide clinical teaching in all medical fields at undergraduate and postgraduate levels.

3. Carry out health-related researches to the benefit of humanity.

MANAGEMENT

From the CMD



Prof. B. A. Ekele MBBS, FWACS, FICS, FRCOG, Cert. HSM, (Israel)

his is the third edition of the UATH BULLETIN for the year 2020 (Volume 3, No. 3). It captures events and significant activities from July to September. The most important event for this quarter, arguably was the hand over and commissioning of the long awaited, 30-bed, state-of-the-art, **Infectious Disease Center** (IDC) that was built and fully equipped by the Federal Ministry of Health using the Nigeria Center for Disease Control (NCDC) on Friday, 25th September 2020. But there were other projects that were commissioned on the same day by the Team that was ably led by the Honorable Minister of Health. These include: the 32-bed, New Accident and Emergency Unit, the Cardiology Unit on the first floor of the Trauma Center and the Foundation laying of the 64-bed, Mental Health Block. The Hospital was converted from a 350-bed to a 520-bed Teaching Hospital and making it the largest in the FCT, Abuja. It will be appropriate to call this edition: 'Bulletin of Projects and Guests'.

For the records, the Team of dignitaries that attended the commissioning of projects in our Hospital on that Good Friday included: The Honorable Minister of Health, (Dr. Osagie Ehinare); Honorable Minister of State for Health (Senator Olorunimbe Mamora); Permanent Secretary-FMOH (Alhaji Abdulaziz Mashi Abdullahi); Chairman, Senate Committee on Health (Senator Dr. Ibrahim Olorigbe); Chairman, House Committee on Health Services (Honorable Dr. Tanko Yusuf Sununu); Vice Chairman, House Committee on Health(Honorable Dr. Samuel Adejare); WHO Country Representative (Dr. Walter Kazadi); Director General, NCDC (Dr. Chikwe Ihekweazu); Vice Chancellor, University of Abuja (Represented by DVC-Academics, Professor C. P. I. Alawa); Director Hospital Services (Dr. Adebimpe Adebiyi); Director Public Health-FMOH(Dr. Ene-Obong); Director Public Health-FCT (Dr. Josephine Okechukwu); Management staff of UATH and many other guests that space will not permit for listing! Our ace cameramen, Sunday and Salifu, captured all the events and activities for your reading pleasure.

The UATH Board approved the promotion of 267 senior staff following their success at the promotion examination. We say congratulations to them! The 34 junior staff that were earlier promoted have also found space to be listed in this edition!

More supports and donations have been received from different individuals, associations, companies and agencies. The latest came from the Nigerian Communication Commission (NCC) that supported the hospital with one hundred and ten (110) HP laptops. We appreciate their continuous support.

Thanks to the Abuja Metropolitan Lion's Club, a chapter of the Lion's Club International for choosing UATH as an intervention center for Paediatric Oncology. This was facilitated by the Board Chairman, **Dr. Sam Sam Jaja** and we owe him a huge debt of gratitude for all the new developments in the Hospital since the beginning of his tenure.

The West African College of Surgeons has designated UATH, Gwagwalada as an examination center for the Membership and Fellowship examinations with effect from the October 2020. We particularly appreciate the role of the Secretary General, WACS, **Professor Phillip Mshelbwala** and the Immediate Past President (IPP), **Professor Terna Yawe** for this honor. Our resident doctors do not need to travel far anymore for the WACS examinations.

The Head of Department of Orthopaedics & Trauma and Consultant Orthopaedic Surgeon, Dr. Tom Sough, has resigned his appointment for a bigger responsibility outside the country. We thank him for the selfless services rendered to the Hospital and University. And best wishes in his new assignment. Meanwhile, Dr. Omachoko Emmanuel **Oguche**, has been appointed the new Head of Department. Congratulations to Dr. Oguche and we welcome him on board! Yours sincerely is still not on Facebook and neither am I active on any of the social media. Please be mindful of anyone that says you should come to the Hospital to supply laptops or pay a certain amount for any job. They are genuine scammers!

Happy reading, keep safe and God bless!

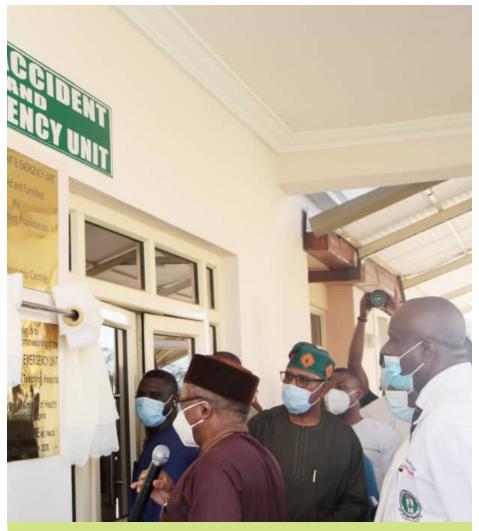


Minister of Health Commissions Critical Projects at UATH

he Honourable Minister of Health, Dr. Osagie Ehanire commissioned a 30bedded world class Infectious Disease Care Centre in Gwagwalada on 25th September 2020, and officially handed it over to the Management of University of Abuja Teaching Hospital. He said, "I am very proud that today, we now have an international standard centre where we can manage highly pathogenic infectious disease cases, including critical medical and laboratory equipments...With laboratory testing and case management in one location, there is a much shorter time between sample collection and infection confirmation. This will ensure early initiation of treatment and thus mitigate mortality during infectious disease outbreaks". He also stated that the government looks forward to replicating this model in all states in Nigeria.

In a speech by Dr. Chikwe Ihekweazu, the Director General for the Nigeria Centre for Disease Control (NCDC), he said the project commenced in 2019 due to the urgent need for a center to manage infectious disease after the outbreak of the Lassa Fever. Following the outbreak of the Corona Virus ravaging the world, Ihekweazu noted that no investment is too small in the healthcare industry.

The Chief Medical Director of UATH, Prof. Bissallah A. Ekele assured all present at the event that the hospital Management is committed to making optimal use of the facility for all infectious



The Honorable Minister of Health, Dr. Osagie Ehinare, commissioning the New Accident and Emergency Unit, UATH, Gwagwalada, Abuja on 25th September, 2020. The Minister of State for Health, Senator Olorunnimbe Mamora and other guests supporting the Minister at the occasion.

diseases cases.

He applauded the NCDC for their support to the FCT Administration in the area of training, provision of medical supplies, Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) and the quick deployment of the rapid r e s p o n s e t e a m d u r i n g emergencies.

Prof. Ekele also said with the addition of the new facilities, the Hospital has been converted from a 350- bed to a 520-bed Teaching

Hospital, the biggest in FCT, Abuja! Dr. Ehanire also commissioned the well equipped 32-bedded new Accident and Emergency facility and the Cardiology Unit, furnished for non-invasive procedures such as 4D Echocardiograph. In addition, he laid the foundation stone for a 64-bedded Mental Health Block which he said will provide specialized therapies when completed.

NEWS

Board Approves the Promotion of Three Hundred and One (301) Staff

he Board of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital approved the promotion of Two Hundred and Sixty-Seven (267) Senior, and thirty-six (36) junior staff to their next higher ranks.

This followed their successful performance in the 2020 promotion examination held in

Promoted Rank

JUNIOR CATEGORY Name

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February and July 2020 respectively.

In separate letters conveying the promotion to the affected staff, the Director of Administration and Secretary of the Board Mrs. K.M Adebanjo said the promotion was in recognition of their hard work, loyalty, dedication to duty and passing the prescribed

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examination.

"Management trusts that you will be able to shoulder effectively the increased responsibilities attached to your new status and to maintain the very high standard of efficiency and integrity expected of you," she added.

Below is the list of successful candidates:

Promoted Rank

Laundry Services Administration 1 Abubakar B.J Rukayya Chief Clerical Officer 27 **Emmanuel S. Celestine** Senior Clerical Officer 2 Akowe V. Juliana Chief Clerical Officer 28 Obadaki Haruna Senior Foreman 3 Ezeh C. Salome **Chief Clerical Officer** 29 Samsel S. Goeldip Senior Foreman 4 Abdullahi A. Musa 30 Sule Victor **Chief Clerical Officer** Senior Foreman 5 Salihu O. John Chief Clerical Officer (Photo) Salihu I. Bala 31 Senior Foreman 6 Usman Danjuma Senior Clerical Officer 32 Ademu Shaibu Head Laundry Man 7 Aliyu K . Rose Senior Clerical Officer 33 Ogbe Sunday Head Laundry Man 8 Abdulsalam Saratu Clerical Officer I 34 Msheliza Istifanus James Senior Clerical Officer **SENIOR CATEGORY** Medical Social Welfare 9 Kabir Abdulrahman Higher Assist. Social Welfare Officer I S/N Name **Promoted Rank** 10 Assist, Social Welfare Officer L Administration Ikporn Nwaofe Mary Edicha A. Yakubu 1 **Chief Procurement Officer** 2 Dietetics Ezeamuzie N. Joyce Assist. Chief Admin Officer 11 Jacob Jummai Senior Clerical Officer 3 Akilozi Josephine Assist. Chief Admin Officer 4 Ofagbon E. Samuel Principal Admin Officer 5 **Transport Unit** Sosanwo Olabiyi **Principal State Counsel** 6 Agida Victoria 12 Zakari Salihu Chief Motor Driver /Mechanic Senior Admin Officer 7 Atiga A. Michael Senior Admin Officer 13 Idris D. Mohammed Senior Motor Driver Mechanic I Mohammed Ibrahim Senior Motor Driver Mechanic I 8 Mohammed A. Aisha Senior Admin Officer 14 15 9 Mohammed G. Ismaila Senior Admin Officer Zamani Bitrus Senior Motor Driver Mechanic I 16 Mohammed Bashiru 10 **Ogwuche Christopher** Senior Admin Officer Senior Motor Driver Mechanic I Friata Oliver 11 Information Officer I Ebiloma Rhoda Works & Engineering 12 Assist. Chief Executive Officer 17 Sarki D.Enoch Technical Officer (Elect) 13 Tukura A. Markus Principal Executive Officer I 18 Samuel Seldam Foreman (Plant) 14 Anyakwo U. Felicia Principal Executive Officer I 19 Hamisu T. Mukhtar Foreman (Plant) 15 Olayinka D. Olatunde Principal Executive Officer II Akechi Opaluwa John 20 Isah Sadiq Foreman (Ac & Refrig.) 16 Principal Executive Officer II 21 Ameh Emmanuel Foreman (Water) 17 Bisman D. Rifkatu Assist Chief Conf. Secretary 22 Ali 7ekeri Senior Craftsman 18 Mua'azu Hannatu Assist Chief Conf. Secretary 19 Ogunmilua A. Adebola Principal Conf. Secretary I **Finance & Accounts** 20 **Dogwo Monday Darius** Principal Conf. Secretary II Idakwoji Jumai 23 Ugo Pauline **Executive Officer (Accts)** 21 Senior Conf. Secretary Adejo Lydia Senior Conf. Secretary 24 Ibrahim B. Maimuna **Executive Officer (Accts)** 22 25 **Chief Clerical Officer** 23 Markus K.A. Theresa Assist. Chief Store Officer Yohanna Lami 24 Abdulrahaman B. Mohammed Principal Stores Officer I 25 Garuba Hajarat Senior Stores Officer **Nursing Services** 26 26 Usman Momoh Senior Stores Officer Dauda Hauwa Chief Porter

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SENIOR CATEGORY

S/N	Name
	Medical Library
27	Yusuf Esther

Medical Social Welfare

28	Baba Koroka Gimba	Chief Assistant Social Welfare Officer	77
29	Leo Christopher	Principal Executive Officer II	

Dietetics

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Works & Engineering

31	Akawu U. Kelvin	Principal Electrical Engineer
32	Amhanyobor Abraham	Senior Electrical Engineer
33	Ameh Abdu	Chief Technical Officer (Biomedical)
34	Alabi Friday	Asst. Chief Technical Officer (Biomed.)
35	Igbinosa U. Francis	Chief Technical Officer (Electrical)
36	Mohammed M. Aisha	Assist. Chief Technical Officer (Build)
37	Ayuba C. Dauda	Principal Technical Officer (Build)
38	Goroh Hassan	Principal Technical Officer (Build.)
39	Haruna Alhassan	Principal Technical Officer (Mech.)
40	ljiebor Timothy	Senior Technical Officer (Plumbing)
41	Ibrahim Haruna	Chief Health Assistant(Biomed)

Finance & Account

			55		Assistant Director
	Finance & Account		94	Oluwagbamila Bosede C.	Assistant Director
42	Zwalbong F. Nimfa	Director Finance/Accounts	95	Yakubu A. Lydia	Assistant Director
43	Okewole A. Solomon	Deputy Director	96	Zirangey Felicia Sunday	Assistant Director
44	Chukwura A. Esther	Assistant Director	97	Imoh E. Helen	Chief Nursing Officer
45	Okoni O. Justina	Chief Accountant	98	Abubakar Dafa	Chief Nursing Officer
46	Sosanwo O. Akinwumi	Assistant Chief Accountant	99	Ajetomobi O. Esther	Chief Nursing Officer
47	Joshua G. Nanwon	Assistant Chief Accountant	100	Oyewole S. Kolawole	Chief Nursing Officer
48	Isah Firdausi Nana	Senior Accountant	101	Ogunjimi N. Olayide	Chief Nursing Officer
49	Adeyanju Adejoke	Senior Accountant	102	Obande I. Elizabeth	Chief Nursing Officer
50	Chukwu Ugochukwu	Senior Accountant	103	Anene Alice	Chief Nursing Officer
51	Karnak S. Goselle	Senior Accountant	104	Bawa Kehinde	Chief Nursing Officer
52	Ocheh A. Blessing	Senior Accountant	105	Tokula Abibetu	Chief Nursing Officer
53	Haruna Bobo	Chief Executive Officer (Accounts)	106	Agena D. Comfort	Chief Nursing Officer
54	Usman Z. Ibrahim	Chief Executive Officer (Accounts)	107	Aweh Rebecca	Chief Nursing Officer
55	Umar Abdulsalam	Assistant Chief Executive Officer	108	Musa Abdulraheem	Chief Nursing Officer
56	Ibrahim M. Najibullahi	Principal Executive Officer I	109	Salaudeen H. Kehinde	Chief Nursing Officer
57	Audu A. Amos	Principal Executive Officer II	110	Tanko Aishatu	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
58	Sada Sani Suleiman	Principal Executive Officer II	111	Abalaka U.Loveth	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
59	Sa'ad Wambai Musa	Principal Executive Officer II	112	Chukwuzitere C. Joy	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
60	Karnak D.M Charity	Principal Executive Officer II	113	Yilkat H. Joyce	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
61	Umar Habibat Pai	Senior Executive Officer	114	Obaba Veronica	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
62	Umar Isa Bello	Senior Executive Officer	115	Ofangbon Alheri	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
63	Ogbobi Alex Abuh	Senior Executive Officer	116	Usman Tijani	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
64	Zwalbong Lohclwat	Senior Executive Officer	117	Bidam D. Laitu	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
65	Luka Beatrice	Higher Executive Officer	118	Geoffrey C. Ugonwa	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
			119	Madaki Kauna	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
	Internal Audit		120	Ochiedike N. Calista	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
66	Agulanna A. Nneoma	Director Internal Audit	121	Okafor A. Dorcas	Assistant Chief Nursing Of
67	Chijioke Ifeoma	Assist. Chief Accountant (Internal Audit)	122	Sabo Haruna	Principal Nursing Officer
68	Gambo S. Pontip	Assist. Chief Exec. Officer (Internal Audit)	123	Otijele F. Fatima	Principal Nursing Officer
69	Abubakar Abdulmumin	Senior Executive Officer (Internal Audit)	124	Jonah M. Arit	Principal Nursing Officer
70	Ameh David	Higher Executive Officer (Internal Audit)	125	Nwauzor B. Chinma	Principal Nursing Officer
71	Adejoh Patrick	Higher Executive Officer	126	Yakubu C. Faith	Principal Nursing Officer
			127	Olaniyan O. Atinuke	Principal Nursing Officer
	Community Medicine		128	Ahmed J. Abdullahi	Principal Nursing Officer
72	Njoku Theresa	Director (Health Education)	129	Nwude U. Peace	Principal Nursing Officer

Promoted Rank

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Yunusa D. Bashiru

Ojji I. Olubunmi

Yashim B. Sarah

Sa'adu Mohammed

Anunusor Jacinta

Abbas D. Rasaki

Usman E. Paulina

Umar A.Shafiyi

Effiom Mercy

Adams Christy

Ibrahim Mary Y.

Omokaro Stella E.

Ihekwaba Rosita C.

Kaboshio Regina I.

Ndubuisi Jacinta I.

Bawa Ayuba M.

Salami Hassan

Chidebe Chinwe V.

Adaga Christiana E.

Nwaononiwu L. Ngozi

Chiroma Joyce

Nursing

Promoted Rank

Chief Health Education Officer

Senior Environ. Health Officer

Prin. Health Superintendent II

Chief Comm. Health Ext. Worker

Assist. Director

Deputy Director

Deputy Director

Deputy Director

Deputy Director

Assistant Director

Officer Officer

Senior Library Officer

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SENIOR CATEGORY

S/N Name 130 Eneogu A. Grace 131 Ekele Idowu Oluwakemi Usman L. Fatima 132 133 Ayuba Mighi Haruna Umar Hadiza 134 135 Eriba I. Christiana 136 Ayogu A. Kelechukwu 137 Adedeji D. Omolara 138 Oquibe U. Cecilia 139 Akata Martina 140 Epko Nsikak Makata Eucharia 141 142 Ayoosu A. Rose 143 Nwalunor E. Francess 144 Ugbo I. James 145 Ponzing Yapkat S. Onyiaorah A. Mirian 146 Ejiroghene J. Elaine 147 Musa O. Khadijat 148 149 Thaddeus A. Jummai Abdulkareem Samira 150 151 Abang A. Theresa 152 Solomon Y. Sarah 153 Chukwu U. Emmanuela 154 Tat G. Chalya **Ekere Ochai Vincent** 155 156 **Buba P Dorcas** Enanana Susan Divine 157 158 Abdullahi K.Y Mairo 159 Ibrahim Blessing Ajala Olawumi 160 161 Ogudu D. Chidinma Atawodi O. Grace 162 163 Achanya E. Aishat 164 Ugwuanyi O. Kenneth 165 Usman Abdulkareem 166 Ayinmode Joy Maya Gladys 167 Arotile A. Mofoluwake 168 169 Daluk B. Esther 170 Kenny-Osamo Y. Vivian 171 Ugbome Minah 172 Shintema Nyonle 173 Omale A. John 174 Ibrahim Abubakar 175 Elisha M. L.Grace Nyam A. Theresa 176 Hassan Saratu 177 Ishabor Gladys 178 Olushola S. Adedoyin 179 Ojong O. Takon 180 181 Ayoola Eyitayo Ezenwa O. Augusta 182 183 Tsiamu Juliana Ewah Rosemary C. 184 **Stephen Francis** 185 Chukwu C. Ogechi 186 187 Ijaodola M. Theresa 188 Usman A. Monday

Promoted Rank

Principal Nursing Officer Principal Nursing Officer Principal Nursing Officer Senior Nursing Officer Nursing Officer I Nursing Officer I Nursing Officer I Nursing Officer I

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- 189 Makinde M. Febisola
- 190 Nimlan Ruth
- 191 Saliu O. Sefia
- 192 Chukwuemeka C. Queenjuliet
- 193 Kennedy-Ngwakwe Ngozi C.
- 194 Pius A. Anna
- 195 Bodam Rahila

Health Info. Management

- 196 Ajiboye Titilayo
- 197 Medoh Sunday T.
- 198 Wakrip Lydia
- 199 Okeji Ojo Joseph
- 200 Bako H. Suzie
- 201 Momoh O. Oluwatomisin
- 202 Abubakar Abdulrahim
- 203 Sani Pauline
- 204 Abashi A. Yakubu
- 205 Joseph Hannatu
- 206 Musa H. Ele
- 207 Musa T. Agnes
- 208 Fwangkyes W. Damaris
- 209 Sule Abel 210 Abulu P. Luc
- 210 Abulu P. Lucy 211 Hussaini Ramatu
- 212 Kuje A. Paulina
- 212 Ruje A. Faulina 213 Ramatu Otman Ibrahim
- 214 Samaila Ibrahim
- 215 Tijani O. Rita
- 216 Tunkuyo M. Kelong
- 217 Ojata O. Stephen
- 218 Ikono A. Joseph
- 219 Bako Nenyitmundika
- 220 Musa A. Suleiman
- 221 Nkem A N. Abigail
- 222 Abdullahi T. Rahamat
- 223 Vongjen Jipet Moses
- 224 Samuel Ojochenemi
- 225 Adaka Daniel
- 226 Shuaibu Danladi
- 227 Emmanuel Ruth

Laboratory

- 228 Onyeka C. Paul
- 229 Bivan Murna
- 230 Rwang Pam Christopher
- 231 Avong J. Christopher
- 232 Adeyemi M. Olusoji
- 233 Egedigwe Ugochukwu
- 234 Olatunji Risikat
- 235 Alaba E.G . Ovye
- 236 Agada O. Peter
- 237 Tebweng D. Hosea
- 238 Bem Bens Lim
- 239 Bakare B. Muslimat

Ophthalmology

240 Dr. Ogbuka Sunday

Promoted Rank

Nursing Officer I Nursing Officer I

Assistant Director Assistant Director Assist. Chief Health Info. Mgt. Officer Chief Health Info. Tech. Assist. Chief Info. Tech. Assist. Chief Info. Tech. Principal Health Info. Tech. Senior Health Info. Tech.

Director Deputy Director Assistant Director Assistant Director Chief Medical Lab. Scientist Chief Medical Lab. Scientist Principal Medical Lab. Scientist Senior Medical Lab. Scientist Senior Medical Lab. Scientist Assist. Chief Medical Lab. Tech. Principal Medical Lab. Tech.

Chief Optometrist

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SENIOR CATEGORY

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	Pharmacy			Radiology	
24	1 Ayodele-Kehinde U. Alice	e Assist. Director	254	Udugh I. Isaac	Director
24	2 Abubakar Z. Galadima	Chief Pharmacist	255	Ogbonyomi G. Paul	Principal Radiographer
24	3 Dabit N. Kenneth	Chief Pharmacist			
24	4 Inuwa Okpe	Principal Pharmacist		Medical Doctors	
24	5 Onu Sunday	Senior Pharmacist	256	Dr. Adeka I. Benard	Consultant Spec. Grade I
24	6 Shuaib Rukayya	Senior Pharmacist	257	Dr. Shedul L. Lamkur	Consultant Spec. Grade I
			258	Dr. Sende P. Peter	Consultant Spec. Grade II
	Physiotherapy		259	Dr. Ajibola O. Hafees	Consultant Spec. Grade II
24	7 Babadiya A. Solomon	Director	260	Dr. Abdulkareem Lukman	Consultant Spec. Grade II
24	8 Abdullahi M. Yakubu	Chief Physiotherapist	261	Dr. O. B. Abdulhakim	Consultant Spec. Grade II
24	9 Ezeadikwa C. Michael	Chief Physiotherapist	262	Dr. David O. Helen	Principal Medical Officer I
			263	Dr. Kumtong D. Nanle	Principal Medical Officer I
	Psychology		264	Dr. Ebikwo Ayegba	Principal Dental Officer I
25	0 Ezechukwu A. Mary	Assist. Director	265	Dr. James Nkese Anne	Senior Medical Officer I

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Dr. Malomo O. Taiwo

Dr. Ugbo I. Emmanuel

250	Ezechukwu A. Mary	Ass
251	Adekola T. Oluwatosin	Ass
252	Laluwoye Ijeoma J.	Sen
253	Chiaha Ijeoma Ogechi	Ass

sist. Director sist. Chief Psychologist nior Psychologist Assist. Chief Scientific Officer

Senior Medical Officer I Senior Medical Officer I Senior Medical Officer II



Borno State Government Seeks Partnership with UATH

he Borno State Government under the His Excellency Prof. Babagana Zulum inaugurated a high powered Committee for the establishment of the State Teaching Hospital and College of Medicine. The team which was led by the former Chief Medical Director, Prof Othman Kyari and the present Chief Medical Director of the University of

Maiduguri Teaching Hospital Prof. Ahmed Ahidjo visited University of Abuja Teaching Hospital on 19th August, 2020 seeking a partnership with UATH especially in the area of training.

The team came to inspect the infrastructure, equipment, clinical services and the human resources of University of Abuja Teaching Hospital to help them plan towards Architectural designs and

equipments purchase of the State Teaching Hospital.

Prof. Ahidjo said because of scarcity of manpower in the state occasioned by insurgency, the Executive Governor of the state has initiated a vision to establish a Teaching Hospital and College of Medicine to enable them train manpower locally. He stated that the University of Abuja Teaching



UATH Commended for Industrial Harmony - JOHESU President

he National Chairman of the Medical & Health Workers Union of Nigeria who also double as the Chairman of Joint Health Workers Sector Union, Comrade Josiah Joy Biobelemoye paid a courtesy visit on the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital on 6th August, 2020. He stated that there are over 50 Federal Health Institutions across the country but the choice of visiting UATH is attributed to the good work the CMD, Prof. Ekele is doing.

Comrade Josiah said the major problem facing the health sector in Nigeria is disharmony, stating that UATH have the highest level of Industrial harmony in the country. The Chairman who addressed the Chief Medical Director as a Comrade encouraged him to share his leadership prowess with other leaders (CMDs) in order to continue to foster harmony in the health sector. He emphasized that once there is harmony the output will be greater.

Finally, Comrade Josiah made a

donation of a customized wall clock to the CMD for his good work, 100 pieces of face masks, carton of hand sanitizers and a carton of disinfectant as their support in the fight against COVID-19 pandemic.

The Chief Medical Director Prof. B. A Ekele welcomed the August visitors to the facility and thanked them for the kind words and donations. He said government cannot be left to carry the burden of this pandemic alone. He further stated that UATH is fortunate to have massive support and aid from various organisations and religious groups due to her proximity to the seat of power.

Prof. Ekele wished them a safe journey back to their destination.



The Chief Medical Director, UATH, Prof. B. A. Ekele recieving a gift from thr National Chairman of JOHESU, Comrade Josiah J. Biobelemoye for his outstanding performancance.

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Hospital and the Borno State proposed Teaching Hospital





From left: Prof. Ahmed Ahidjo, CMD, University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital, Prof. B. A. Ekele, CMD University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Prof. Othman Kyari, former CMD, University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital during their visit of the Borno State high powered Committee for the establishment of the Teaching Hospital and College of Medicine.

Teaching Hospital was once a Specialist Hospital, hence the choice of visiting.

Responding, the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital Prof. B.A Ekele said the Management of the hospital would do its best to help achieve the objective of their visit. He added that it is indeed a great honour to see that UATH participate in the growth and development of another Teaching Hospital.



Smile Train Organization Donates Hand Washing Stations To UATH

n the spirit of support for the hospital during this pandemic, Smile Train Organization donated seven (7) hand washing stations to the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital on the 4th of August, 2020.

The team lead of the organisation, Dr. Amina Abubakar, said the donation is their contribution to a better patient care and environmental cleanliness. This donation is among several other items the organization has donated to the hospital since the confirmation of the first Corona Virus case in FCT. She also urged Management to distribute the hand washing stations as they deemed fit in the hospital and promised that more donations will subsequently be made in future.

Responding to the generosity of the organization, the Chief



UATH Top Management in a group photograph with Smile-Train Organization leader, Dr. Amina Abubakar during the donation of the hand washing stations.

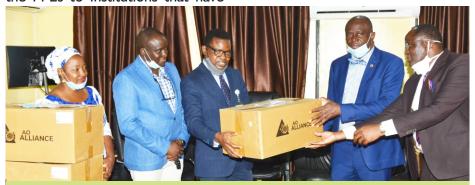
Medical Director of University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Prof. B.A. Ekele thanked Smile Train for their continuous donations to the hospital. He appreciated and commended their support for patient and environmental care, while also stating that the donated items are very critical in these pandemic times as no one can ascertain when the virus will be defeated. He was also elated at their promise to revisit the hospital with more donations in the future.

Prof. Ekele assured the organization that the donated items will be appropriately distributed in the hospital, especially to the Out-patient Units which have resumed clinical duties, He commended the recent improvement and technology of the hand washing station over what was obtainable in the past.

A O Alliance Nigeria Donates PPEs to UATH

n the fight against the unprecedented Covid 19 pandemic, AO Alliance, a Non Governmental Organisation in the health sector that deals with traumatic injuries of the bone, made a donation of thirty five (35) disposable surgical gowns, two hundred and fifty (250) face masks, twenty five (25) face shields, and fifteen (15) operative gowns.

Speaking on behalf of the organisation Dr. Tom Sough who is a member of the West African Team of AO Alliance and the present Head of Department of Orthopaedic/Trauma University of Abuja Teaching Hospital said A.O Alliance is a non Governmental Organisation financed by companies and individuals saddled with the responsibility of catering for patients with traumatic injury of the bones that can not pay their hospital bills in middle and low income countries. Dr Sough stated that the choice of donating Personal Protective Equipment (PPEs) to University of Abuja Teaching Hospital among the numerous Teaching Hospitals in the country is because A.O Alliance is distributing the PPEs to Institutions that have their faculty members of which Dr. Songden from the Department of Orthopaedic and Trauma is one. Responding, the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Prof. B.A. Ekele thanked the organisation for the gesture saying that it will go a long way to boast the morale of the health care professionals.



2nd from right: The Chief Medical Director, UATH, Prof. B. A. Ekele receiving PPEs donated by A. O. Alliance Nigeria from Dr. Tom Sough.



DCL Renovates UATH Central Laboratory

CL Laboratory Limited renovated the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital Central Laboratory. The CEO, Mr. Ayanwu C. Okechukwu at the handing over ceremony said they had come to support the good work done by the Chief Medical Director. He said every well meaning individual will support good work, and with support of everyone the hospital will be transformed into a centre of excellence.

In his response, the Chief Medical Director, Prof. B A Ekele, disclosed that DCL had previously donated machines to the Laboratory at the beginning of his tenure. He commended the effort of the organization and used the opportunity to beckon on other well meaning Nigerians for more support.

The CMD went on to cut the tape and took tour a of the renovated laboratory. In the vote of thanks the Director of Finance and Director of Internal Audit appreciated DCL for supporting the hospital at such a critical time. The duo prayed that God will bless them.



The Chief Medical Director, UATH, Prof. B. A. Ekele cutting the tape during the inauguration ceremony of the renovated Main Laboratory by DCL Limited.

Abuja Metropolitan Lion Club to partner with UATH

he Abuja Metropolitan Lion Club members paid a visit to the Management of University of Abuja Teaching Hospital on 3rd September, 2020. The club is a chapter of Lion Club International, a global association. It is one of the leading club in Northern Nigeria which is guided by the rules set by the international body.

On behalf of the club president, Lion Charles Okoh who was unavoidably absent at the meeting, represented by the team leader Lion Ozy Okonokhua thanked the Management for the warm reception they received and apologized for the impromptu visit, which he said was done out of passion to continue to support and reach out to the less privileged in the society. He said the club focuses on different thematic areas in the community to see how well they can reach the public, while laying emphasis on sight, feeding the hungry, providing services to the youth, Education, Paediatrics Cancer and diabetics.

He informed the hospital Management that the month of September is marked globally for awareness creation on childhood cancer which has been a leading cause of mortality and morbidity in children. To provide intervention in this area of need, the club researches for a reputable organization that offer quality services and can provide valid information when needed. He added that the club decided that the greatest impact will be made if UATH is picked as an intervention centre because of its composition as a teaching hospital and the strategic roles it plays in the FCT, combining that with the vast array of patients inflow. With this, the club has also reached out to well meaning Nigerian who have promised to support the cause.

Lion Okonokhua also informed the Management that the club members were in the hospital to do an "on the spot analysis" to identify the hospital areas of critical need as far as paediatric care is concerned with special bias for oncology in order to quickly intervene to improve the level of health care delivery and also reduce cost to the patients who are accessing care in the hospital.

Responding to the gesture, the Chief Medical Director, Prof. B A, Ekele welcomed the team to the hospital. He stated that the department of Paediatrics is well endowed in terms of personnel and passion. He said the department currently has ten (10) Consultants with various sub-units. He sincerely appreciated the club for choosing Paediatrics Oncology which is an important area of need in the hospital as their thematic area of intervention, adding that the hospital will give the club whatever support they need to ensure that its objective are fulfilled.



Trustfund Pension Donates (PPES) to UATH

he Trustfund Pension Management team lead by Executive Director, Tunde Akinshola paid a courtesy visit to UATH and donated some Personal Protective Equipments (PPEs) in support to the efforts of the Management in cushioning the effects of an unprecedented challenge of the COVID-19 pandemic the world is currently facing. Present at the short event were the representative of the Chief Medical Director, Dr. Nicholas Baamlong, who is the Chairman



The Chairman Medical Advisory Committee, UATH, Dr. Nicholas Baamlong receiving the donation of PPEs by Trustfund Pensions Limited from the Team Leader, and Executive Director Operations, Mr Tunde Akinshola.

MDCAN: Dr. Akaba handover to Dr. Sani

edical and Dental Council Association of Nigeria (MDCAN) University of Abuja Teaching Hospital chapter elected Dr, Ali Samuel Sani from the Department of Surgery as its Chairman after the tenure of his predecessor Dr. Godwin Akaba of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology ended during the association Annual General Meeting (AGM) held on 6th and 7th August, 2020.

Speaking during the occasion the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Prof. B.A Ekele appreciated the outgoing Executives of the association for their commitment and developmental initiative. He encouraged the new Executives to do better as they are stepping into the shoe of Dr Akaba and his team.

The outgoing Chairman of the association Dr. Godwin Akaba in his opening speech appreciated the Chief Medical Director, Prof B.A Ekele, for his co-operation and attention. He also appreciated the consultants who are in the front line treating the COVID 19 patients and those who retired from the service of the hospital. Finally, he thanked his team for their co-operation adding that without them the association would not be able to make the tremendous Medical Advisory Committee and some members the hospital's Management team in person of Dr. Kudirat Olateju- (Deputy CMAC -Training and Research, Head of Internal Audit, Mrs Agulanna, amongst others. On behalf of the Chief Medical Director, the CMAC, thanked the Trustfund Pension Limited for the support and the opinion it holds that all hands must be on deck since it's a global phenomenon. Further, he emphasized with passion that what is more challenging now is the feeding of the COVID-19 confirmed patients at the center, which the Management without prejudice needs more support in order to sustain them. In the end, he assured the team that the donation of the 'PPEs' will be put into judicious use in order to achieve it's purposes.

achievement over the last two years. The Association honoured its members in the isolation center attending to COVID 19 patients and the retirees with a meritorious award as a mark of appreciation for their good work.



Dr. Godwin Akaba of the MDCAN, decorating his successor, Dr. Samuel Ali Sani as the newly elected Chairman of the Association.

NEWS



University of Abuja Teaching Hospital Health Research Ethics Committee goes online - October 1 st 2020!



The University of Abuja Teaching Hospital (UATH) Health Research Ethics Committee (UATH HREC), plans to upgrade its processing of applications to online platform. This gives the advantage of reducing the cost of printing, enable quicker submission process as applications does not require physical presence, expands the coverage of reviewers, and enhances our record keeping and makes us more environment friendly.

The online submission and review shall become active and commence accepting applications October 1st, 2020. However, the UATH HREC shall also maintain the old hard copy submission / review system through the 3 months transition period that ends December 31st, 2020. Thereafter, no hard copy submission shall be accepted by the UATH HREC.

This shall be achieved in collaboration with Viable Knowledge Masters® using REAPS. REAPS is an online software that has been designed to facilitate the easy submission, processing, tracking, and granting of ethics approval to individuals applying for research ethics approval from Institutional or Ethical Review Boards

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6. Confirm registration enables one to submit proposal for assessment.

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4. When you login to your account, click on Ethics Approval >> Request Ethics Approval.

5. Fill in the information as required by the institution, page I -7.

6. On page 8, Upload evidence of payment for submission of application (Receipt of payment of appropriate amount). *

7. On page 9, select the institution (UATH) you will be submitting the request to and click submit to make processing fee payment of N1,000.00 through pay stack with effect from 1st January 2021.

8. Click OK to confirm submission.

9. When your request has been approved you will receive and email notification.

Contact for enquiry: Email: uathhrec@gmail.com; Edith – 08055248808; Nchelem -08062245773

Prof Abubakar M. Jamda Chairman, UATH HREC

SN	Category	Application Fee (Naira)
1	Academic - Student nurse	500.00
2	Academic - Undergraduates	1,000.00
3	Post Basic Nursing / CHOs / Postgraduate Diploma	3,000.00
4	Academic - Masters project	5,000.00
5	Academic - M. Phil	7,500.00
6	Academic - PhD	10,000.00
7	Resident doctors Part II project	5,000.00
8	Resident doctors non-funded research applications	3,000.00
9	UATH / Uniabuja staff non-funded projects	5,000.00
10	Funded research / projects by individuals	50,000.00
11	Funded research / projects by organizations	100,000.00
12	Funded Clinical Trials	**100,000.00

Application Fees for Different Categories of Research

**Plus, logistics for oversight functions

Payment of Application and Processing Fees are Preconditions for Processing

COMMISSIONING OF PROJECTS IN PICTURES

On Friday, 25th September 2020. the Minister of Health, Dr. Osagie Ehanire commissioned a number of projects at the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital. Below are photo shots for the Commissioning.



Foundation laying ceremony of the Mental Health Block by the Honorable Minister and other guests.



L-R: Prof. CPI Alawa, Honorable Samuel Adejare, Alhaji Abdulaziz Abdullahi, Minister of Health Dr. Osagie Ehanire (standing), Minister of State for Health, Senator Olorunimbe Mamora, Honorable Tanko Yusuf Sununu, Dr Chikwe Ihekweazu, Dr Walter Kazadi and Prof Bissallah Ekele at the event.



Honorable Minister laying the first block of the Mental Health Block, assisted by the Head of Works and Engineering, Engr. Bala Mangut. The Head of Department of Mental Health, Dr. Tunde Ojo is standing to the right of the Minister.



The DG, NCDC, Dr. Chikwe Ihekweazu having a chat with the CMD, UATH, Prof. B. Ekele at the occasion.



Honorable Minister of State for Health, Senator Olorunimbe Mamora delivering speech at the event.



DG, NCDC, Dr. Chikwe Ihekweazu delivering his address at the hand over event.



Chairman, House Committee on Health Services, Honorable Dr. Tanko Yusuf Sununu delivering his goodwill message during the event.



The CMD, Professor Bissallah Ekele, delivering his welcome address at the occasion.

COMMISSIONING OF PROJECTS IN PICTURES



Honorable Minister inspecting the 4D Echocardiography Machine at the Cardiology Unit.



Dr. Thairu Yunusa, Team Lead, UATH COVID-19, being recognised at the occasion.



The COVID-19 Team, House Manager and Head of Infectious Disease Unit, Dr. Vivian Kwaghe being recognised at the occasion.



Mr. Bulus Luka, one of the Hygienists in the UATH COVID-19 Team coming out for recognition at the occasion.



The CMD, UATH, Prof B.A Ekele introducing Mr. Hassan an Assistant Director of Nursing and in-charge IPC, at the COVID-19 isolation center for recognition.



Guests and members of top management of UATH at the commissioning of the Infectious Disease Center. (From Right in ward coat: Dr. Nicholas Baamlong (CMAC), Dr E. K Olateju (DCMAC-Research & Training), Mrs Khadijat Adebanjo (Director of Administration) Dr. Terka Atim (DCMAC-Clinicals).



Entrance to the renovated Central Laboratory.



CMD and management staff being conducted round the Central Laboratory renovated by DCL Lab Products Ltd.

PHOTO NEWS



The Top Management UATH and Heads of Department during the inaugurat. ceremony of the renovated main laboratory by DCL Limited.



Scientists Lounge at the renovated Central Laboratory.



CMD, CMAC and Mr. Steve Oricha at the GeneXpert Laboratory on 20th July 2020.



The National Chairman Joint Health Workers Union of Nigeria, Comrade Josiah Joy Biobelemoye receiving a gift from the Chief Medical Director, UATH Prof. B. A. Ekele during a courtesy visit.



The Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Prof. B. A. Ekele handing over the letter of allocation for the University of Abuja College of Health Science on the 24th July 2020.



From left: Dr. Terka Atim (DCMAC), Clinicals, Prof. B. A. Ekele, CMD, UATH, Prof. Donald Nze, Dr. Nicholas Baamlong (CMAC) and Mr. Nimfa Zwalbong during the valedictory session in honour of Prof. Donald Nze.



From left: Prof. Ahmed Ahidjo, CMD, University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital, Prof. B. A. Ekele, CMD University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Prof. Othman Kyari, former CMD, University of Maiduguri Teaching Hospital, Dr. Nicholas Baamlong (CMAC) during the visit of the Borno State high powered Committee for the establishment of the Teaching Hospital and College of Medicine.

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4th from right: Dr. Nicholas Baamlong (CMAC), receiving a donation of PPEs from Comforting the Sick Non Governmental Organization.



Right: Dr. Kudirat Olateju (DCMAC, Research & Training) receiving a cash donation from Maggiecares Foundation School for the payment of hospital bills of Five (5) indigent patients.



The Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Prof. B. A. Ekele receiving the donation of One Hundred and Ten A(110) Laptops by the Nigeria Communications Commission (NCC)



Mr Tunde Akinshola, Team Leader, and Executive Director Operations, Trustfund Pensions Limited and Dr. Vivian Kwaghe during the donation of PPEs to the Hospital.



Dr. Muhyi Abubakar receiving a merit award of Service from the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Prof. B. A. Ekele during the MDCAN Annual General Meeting (AGM).



Dr. Babalola A. O. receiving a merit award of Service from the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Prof. B. A. Ekele during the MDCAN Annual General Meeting (AGM).



Dr. Alexander Akor receiving a merit award for attending to COVID 19 patients from Prof. Terna Yawa during the MDCAN Annual General Meeting (AGM).



Dr. Francis Adebayo receiving a merit award for attending to COVID 19 patients from Prof. Terna Yawa during the MDCAN Annual General Meeting (AGM).

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The Director of Administration, NCDC, Alhaji Y. Y. Abdullahi (Master of Ceremony) inviting the Honorable Minister to cut the tape and commission the IDC.



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The Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ahmed Ekele does not operate and he is not on



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APPOINTMENTS



Dr. Terka Atim Deputy Chairman Medical Advisory Committee (DCMAC), Clinicals.



Dr. Kudirat Olateju Deputy Chairman Medical Advisory Committee (DCMAC), Research & Training.



Dr. Omachoko E. Oguche Head, Department of Orthopaedics and Trauma.

OBITUARY

With total submission to the will of Almighty God, The Management and Staff announce the call to glory of the following staff:



Mrs Medupin Mosunmola of the Department of Nursing on 3rd July 2020 at the age of 58 years.



Mal. Abdulrahman Kabir of the Department of Medical Social Welfare Service on 20th July at the age of 44 years.



Mrs. Gwamade Elias Nathan of the Department of Nursing on 10th August, 2020 at the age of 48 years.

QUOTE:

As health care professionals, we must not do anything that will increase the pain of the patient, otherwise God may be angry with us" - BA Ekele, 2020

CORONAVIRUS (COVID - I 9) PRECAUTIONS

- 1. Regularly and thoroughly wash your hands with soap and water, and use alcohol-based hand sanitiser.
- 2. Maintain at least 1.5 metres (5 feet) distance between yourself and anyone who is coughing or sneezing.
- **3.** Persons with persistent cough or sneezing should stay home or keep a social distance, but not mix in crowd.
- 4. Make sure you and people around you, follow good respiratory hygiene, meaning cover your mouth and nose with a handkerchief or tissue into your sleeve at the bent elbow or tissue when you cough or sneeze. Then dispose of the used tissue immediately.
- 5. Stay home if you feel unwell with symptoms like fever, cough and difficulty in breathing. Please call NCDC toll free number, which is available day and night, for guidance: 0800 970 0000-0010. Do not engage in self-medication.
- 6. Healthcare workers are always advised to observe standard infection prevention and control measures when attending to patients and take a travel history.
- 7. Stay informed on the latest developments about COVID-19 through official channels on TV and Radio, NCDC and Federal Ministry of Health.





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