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- 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)

Welcome to the last edition (Oct–Dec) of our BULLETIN for the year 2019 (Volume 2, No. 4). We shall continue with full gloss production of the Bulletin because of the very favourable feedback we received following the last publication. This edition is dedicated to the festive season!

The period under review also witnessed high profile visitors and guests to the Hospital. The peak of the visits was that of **Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison**, Former Vice Chancellor of University of Port Harcourt. He did not only visit but obliged us with a Guest Lecture entitled: Still dreaming of Improved Maternal Health in Nigeria. The occasion was chaired by the Board Chairman, **Dr. Sam Sam Jaja**. The lecture attracted not only our

undergraduate and postgraduate medical students but dignitaries like Professor OA Ladipo, Prof JAM Otubu, Prof Williams Ogalla, Prof KI Airede, Prof Felicia Anumah, Prof E Nwankwo, Prof JY Chinda, Prof AY Isah, Dr. R Onalo, Dr Bob Ukonu, Dr. BE Ogunbiyi (MD, Tolbert Specialist Hospital), Dr. Zara Mairami (Former Chair, FCT NMA), Dr. Halima Bello (MD, Kwali General Hospital), Dr. Ibrahim Wada (NISA Premier Hospital) and a host of others. We thank the Head of Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Dr. ET Agida for organizing the program and he has promised that it will be an annual event. We look forward to the 2020 Guest lecture/lecturer!

We hosted the accreditation teams from the Faculty of Radiology, West African College of Surgeons led by **Prof Nelson Nwankwo** (University of Port Harcourt) and Faculty of Family Medicine, West African College of Physicians led by **Prof Emmanuel Ameghase** (University of Ghana).

We recorded very high pass rate at the October/November 2019 Fellowship examinations in all specialties. Congratulations to the resident doctors and the trainers for this feat. Meanwhile, the Board

Chairman, Dr. Sam Sam Jaja has directed that in December 2019, the Team that separated the Conjoined twins be treated to a lunch/dinner party along with the 2019 Staff Merit Award winners, to encourage excellence and hard work.

The Board has also directed the immediately take-over of the First and second floors of the Trauma Center to prevent further deterioration of the Center. A technical committee headed by Engr. Bala Mangut and a professional committee led by Prof JY Chinda have been inaugurated to give effects to the directive so that the two floors could be put to use by January 2020. Also, with effect from 1st January, 2020, we shall start Internship program for newly qualified B.Sc. Nursing graduates.

Happy reading, Merry Christmas in advance and God bless!

Still Dreaming of Better Maternal Health, Prof. Harrison

A former Vice Chancellor of the University of Port Harcourt and Emeritus Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, Professor Kelsey Harrison has called for a more practical and result oriented approach towards stemming the rising figure of maternal mortality in the Country.

Professor Harrison made the call while delivering a lecture entitled: "Still Dreaming of Better Maternal Health" at the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital.

The Emeritus Professor said the underlying disease of high maternal mortality in the country was the very poor obstetric care resulting from the nation's chaotic health, socio-economic and political systems.

He said despite past efforts, high maternal mortality was still a scourge in the country. "The answer is that we are looking at and tackling it at the wrong end," he added.

Professor Harrison who disclosed that he has been involved in several medical researches on women and children, said that in a population where obstructed labour is common, the surviving babies may not be best babies because of the bad conditions of housing, lack of protection against infection, excessive physical work and bad nutrition in which these inferior babies are reared. "These babies in their adulthood become growth stunted and give birth to more damaged babies," he said.

The Emeritus Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology said emergency obstetric care cannot break this horrible cycle because it does not correct the underlying fault which is pelvic contraction

adding that only fixing the politics and sustaining social change will. "The disease has to be treated by ensuring that most things in public domain work to the general benefit of the society," he added. The former Vice Chancellor stressed that, in all, education was key and called for free and compulsory education for girls up to secondary school level with a view to reducing their vulnerability to sexual exploitation, sexually transmitted infection and teenage pregnancy. He appealed to the government to fix health care at all levels and challenged health care practitioners to be more dedicated and passionate in the

task of dispensing services to the people.

In a remark, the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ekele thanked Professor Harrison for taking the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital as the hospital of choice for the lecture which he said was of deep public importance and relevance.

Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison was a former Head of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, University College Hospital, Ibadan; Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria and Vice Chancellor, University of Port Harcourt. ■



Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison delivering the Guest lecture.

We Came, Saw and Learned from You, Prof. Ameghasie

A three-man re-accreditation panel of the West African College of Physicians, Faculty of Family Medicine says it is highly impressed with the waste management policy and clean environment of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital. Similarly, the panelists expressed satisfaction with the Hospital's rural clinical posting at the Kwali General Hospital with a promise to make it a model in the West African sub-region.

The team leader, Professor Emmanuel Ameghasie, who spoke after a re-accreditation visit to the Department of Family Medicine, said the panelists were also impressed with the on-going computerization of Medical records, describing it as a step in the right direction. "We came, we saw and we have learned from you," Prof. Ameghasie added.

He appealed to the Management of the Hospital to as a matter of urgency step up its emergency preparedness and staff strength

to cope with the daily increase of clients.

Responding, the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ekele who was represented by the Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee, Dr. Nicholas Baamlong thanked the team for its assessment and pledged the commitment of Management to addressing issues raised.

Professor Ekele said such re-accreditation visit was critical to

service delivery both in training of Residents and health care delivery. He said the challenge of manpower shortage was been addressed through the relevant ministries and agencies of the Federal Government.

Earlier in an address of welcome, the Head, Department of Family Medicine, Dr. Shedul Lakai said the re-accreditation visit was the third since the creation of the Department of Family Medicine in the hospital ■



Acting Head of Department of Radiology, Dr. Dorothy Itanyi, briefing Members of the Panel and Consultants from the Department of Family Medicine when they visited the Department of Radiology.

Re-Accreditation is Good Standard for Quality Control, Prof. Ekele

Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ekele, says the re-accreditation of Teaching Hospitals by the various Colleges responsible for Post Graduate Medical training was a good standard for quality control in the training of doctors and health care delivery.

Professor Ekele stated this while playing host to a four-man panel of the Faculty of Radiology, West

African College of Surgeons on a visit for the re-accreditation of the Department of Radiology. He said subjecting Teaching Hospitals to regular quality checks was healthy for the quality of doctors and service delivery to clients.

The Chief Medical Director pledged to remedy shortcomings identified by the panel for an enhanced care of patients and training of doctors.

Earlier, the Panelists had

commended the Chief Medical Director for the transformation that had taken place in the Department of Radiology.

The team leader, Professor Nelson Nwankwo said: "We are pleased with the transformation taking place in the Department of Radiology and we commend you for giving the right leadership."

Professor Nwankwo said they were also satisfied with the general cleanliness of the

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Pharmacovigilance: Report Adverse Drug Reaction, Pharm. Sirika

Health care professionals and patients have been challenged on the need to report adverse drug reactions to the Pharmacovigilance Centre for immediate action.

This is with a view to saving lives of end users and putting such drugs out of circulation for unsuspecting members of the public.

An Assistant Director in the National Agency for Food, Drug Administration and Control, NAFDAC, Pharmacist Hassatu Sirika gave the challenge in a paper entitled: "Overview of Pharmacovigilance/Adverse Drug Reaction Reporting" delivered at the monthly mandatory continuous education programme of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital.

She said prompt information on adverse drug reaction would drastically minimize risks, provide appropriate and timely information to relevant stakeholders that would ensure

safe and rational use of medicine in the health care system.

Pharmacist Sirika noted that adverse drug reaction could lead to prolonged hospitalization, harmful to the foetus and death.

While listing the common adverse drug reactions to include blurred vision, skin reaction, headache, fatigue, vomiting, loss of appetite, drowsiness, constipation and diarrhoea, she said pharmacovigilance should be at the core of all health care delivery efforts.

"Health care professionals should remember that no medicinal product is entirely or absolutely safe for all people in all places at all times," she added.

She appealed to Physicians to see medicine safety assessment as an inseparable part of everyday clinical practice.

Pharmacist Sirika said methods of reporting in Pharmacovigilance was voluntary and without remuneration but mandatory for

manufacturers of pharmaceutical products and a professional obligation. She said the overall objective of pharmacovigilance was to improve patient care and safety in relation to the use of medicine and appealed for awareness creation, rebranding of mindset and the establishment of desk offices for pharmacovigilance focal persons.



Baamlong Gets Second Term as CMAC

The Board of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital has approved the renewal of the appointment of Dr. Nicholas Baamlong, a Family Physician as Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee, CMAC, of the Hospital for another term of two years.

The appointment is with effect from September 27th 2019 and it is coming at the expiration of his first term of office as CMAC.

In a letter conveying the



Dr. Nicholas Baamlong
Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee.

appointment, the Secretary of the Board, Mrs. Khadijat Modupe Adebajo said the re-appointment for another two years was predicated on Dr. Baamlong's good performance and commitment to the realization of the vision and mission of the Hospital during his first term of office. "You are therefore urged to see it as a call to greater responsibility and justify the confidence the Board repose in you," she added.

I Have No Regret Being a Radiologist, Dr. Babalola

// A man of honour, integrity, easy going, unassuming, a friend, brother, father, mentor, leader, builder and a Pastor. "Those were some of the adjectives that were used to eulogize Dr. Akinola Babalola, a Chief Consultant Radiologist who retired recently from the services of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital at a send-off organized in his honour by staff of the Department of Radiology.

Chairman of the occasion and long standing friend of the celebrant, Dr. Yusuf Babatunde said Dr. Babalola's commitment to work and well-being of staff was inspirational. He thanked God for using Dr. Babalola to sow the seed that had blossomed to what is today a Department of Radiology in the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital.

In a remark, the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ekele commended Dr. Babalola for his pioneering effort at building a Department of Radiology, describing him as a gentleman who had accomplished in his chosen field of medicine.

"I am particularly happy to have known and worked with the celebrant, and all through, I have known him as a man of hard work and excellence," he added.

The Chief Medical Director charged staff of the Department to emulate the examples of Dr. Babalola in discipline, commitment to duty and honesty. Earlier, the Head, Department of Radiology, Dr. Joshua Aiyekomogbon said the

department was happy celebrating Dr. Akinola Babalola as the father of Radiology in the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital.

"I thank you Sir for carefully nurturing the department of Radiology and mentoring the staff to what they are today. I also congratulate you on your successful retirement from service and I wish you well," Dr. Aiyekomogbon added.

Responding, Dr. Babalola said he was appreciative of the honour done him by the leadership and staff of the department.

He said that as a young doctor, he had wanted to be a Paediatrician

but was challenged by an encounter he had with a Consultant Radiologist while reading a film at the University of Jos Teaching Hospital. "That challenge changed my choice of specialty and I went for Radiology. I am happy being a Radiologist, it gave me satisfaction, a beautiful wife and a home," he added.

He thanked the Chief Medical Director and Management of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital for giving him the platform to contribute to health care delivery in the country.



(Left) Head of Department of Radiology, Dr. Joshua Aiyekomogbon presenting a plaque of Excellence in Service to Dr. Akinola Babalola.

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hospital and the rural clinical posting site at the Kwali General

Hospital. He appealed to the various professionals in the hospital to continue to work as a

team, putting the interest of the patient above every other considerations.

Board Inaugurates 2019 Award's Committee

The Board of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital has constituted and inaugurated the 2019 Best Staff Award's Committee. The six-man Committee Chaired by a member of the Board and Dean, College of Medicine, University of Abuja, Professor Felicia Anumah is in addition to organize an award in honour of the Conjoined twin separation team.

At the inauguration of the Committee, the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ekele charged the Committee to deliver on its mandate. He said the Committee was free to co-opt staff considered critical to the success of its assignment.

In a remark, the Chairman of the Committee, Professor Felicia Anumah thanked the Board for considering members of the Committee worthy of the

assignment.

Members of the Committee include Dr. Nicholas Baamlong, Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee; Mrs.

Olayemi Sotomi, Representative of the Ministry of Health; Dr. Bob Ukonu, Head, Department of Servicom; Mrs. Titilayo Ajiboye and Mr. David Daniel, both of Servicom.



Members of the 2019 Staff Award's Committee shortly after inauguration by the Chief Medical Director, Professor Bissallah Ekele, seated 2nd from left and assisted by the Secretary of the Board, Mr. Kadijat Modupe Adebajo seated 1st from left. Seated at the middle is the Chairman of the Committee, Professor Felicia Anumah.

Go and Make Positive Difference in Health Care, Dr. Baamlong

The graduating set 22 students of the Post Basic Critical Care Nursing School of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital have been charged to be good ambassadors of the school, putting to use the skills and knowledge they have acquired to the benefit of humanity.

Chairman, Medical Advisory

Committee of the Hospital, Dr. Nicholas Baamlong gave the charge in a goodwill message to the send-off party in honour of the students.

He said the knowledge and skills gained from the one-year programme should stand them out as stars in the profession. "You should apply them to make a positive difference in health care delivery in whatever circumstance you find yourself," he stressed.

Dr. Baamlong who was represented by the Deputy Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee, Training and Research, Dr. Kudirat Olateju encouraged the graduating students to continue to update their knowledge in other fields of nursing. Teachers who took turn to speak at the event described the students as disciplined and hardworking.

Earlier, the Co-ordinator of the School, Mrs. Joy Egbunu had

commended the Chief Medical Director of the Hopital, Professor Bissallah Ekele for his consistent support to the school.

In a related development, the Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee of the Hospital, Dr. Nicholas Baamlong wants the Set 23 intake of the School for the 2019/2020 session to work towards surpassing past records of the School in discipline, academics and neatness.

Dr. Baamlong gave the advice when he received the staff and students numbering thirty on a courtesy visit. He told the students that they were a product of a painstaking selection process and enjoined them to focus on their studies.

Responding on behalf of the new intake, Mrs. Benedicta Olugbodi assured the Managements of the Hospital and School that they would live up to expectation. ■



Co-ordinator, Post Basic Critical Care Nursing School, Mrs. Joy Egbunu delivering her address of welcome.

UATH Celebrates World Mental Health Day, Calls for Regular Medical Checks

It is estimated that over eight hundred thousand people die from suicide every year making it the second leading cause of death especially among youths globally.

Seventy-five percent of this figure occurs in low and medium income countries with the men more prone to suicide than women.

A Consultant Psychiatrist with the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Dr. Samuel Abah disclosed this at the 2019 World Mental Health Day celebration in the Hospital.

In his paper, entitled: "Suicide Prevention," Dr. Abah said pesticide ingestion, hanging and firearms were among the most common means of suicide world-wide.

He said that changes in behavior or appearance that indicate

someone was in crisis were clear warning signs.

Such signs, he said include someone threatening to hurt or kill, looking for the means to kill and showing signs of distress, agitation or anxiety.

Dr. Abah held that suicide was preventable and for a national response to be effective, there was the need for a comprehensive multi-sectoral prevention strategy and restriction on the availability, accessibility and attractiveness of the means of suicide.

Also in a paper titled: "Mental Health Promotion," a Clinical Psychologist in the Department of Mental Health, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Mr. Ali Ishaku Maina outlined some of the causes of mental health challenge to include: substance use, brain damage due to physical trauma, hereditary,

neurological and chemical malfunctions of the brain.

The Clinical Psychologists identified some of the warning signs to include changes in personality, social withdrawal and isolation, lack of self care, risky behaviours, uncharacteristic anxiety, anger or moodiness and a sense of helplessness.

He said these could lead to social isolation, occupational related problems, physical illness, homicidal and suicidal tendencies.

Mr. Maina, said psychotherapy and pharmacotherapy were critical interventions stressing that mental health disorders were treatable.

He emphasised the need for the individual to eat, sleep, exercise and relate well.

Earlier in an address of welcome, the Head of Department of Mental Health, Dr. Tunde Ojo, called for effective collaboration among stakeholders to effectively tackle the challenges of Mental Health.

He thanked the Chief Medical Director of the Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ekele for the support given to the Department of Mental Health to make the celebration a reality.

The world mental health day is a day set aside in October every year to create global awareness, education' and advocacy on mental health with a view to eradicating the social stigma associated with it.

The theme for the 2019 World Mental Health Day is: "Mental Health Promotion and Suicide Prevention." ■



Head of Department of Mental Health, Dr. Tunde Ojo welcoming participants to the event.

Our Doors are Open for Dialogue, CMD Tells Unions

Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ekele has assured trade unions and associations in the hospital that the Management under his watch, would continue to welcome ideas that would help drive its core mandate of patients' care, post graduate medical training and research.

Professor Ekele stated this in a message to the opening of the 2019 quadrennial delegates' conference

of the Medical and Health Workers Union, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital branch.

The Chief Medical Director who spoke through the Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee, Dr. Nicholas Baamlong said the care of patients was key to his management and charged members of the Medical and Health Workers Union to as a matter of priority put the care of patients above every other considerations, in their various places of assignment.

Professor Ekele commended the Joint Health Sector Unions, Association of Resident Doctors and the Medical and Dental Consultants' Association of Nigeria for the cordial ties between them and Management since his assumption of office as Chief Medical Director.

He charged the Medical and Health Workers Union to remain united as any fragmentation would weaken their drive for better welfare. "Too many fragmentations will reduce your struggle for members' welfare. Be more compact, stronger and efficient in the management of affairs," the CMD stressed.

Also in a message to the delegates the Federal Capital Territory Chairman of the Union, Comrade Abubakar Shonebo commended the leadership of the Union in the Hospital for the industrial peace that had prevailed in the facility over the years.

Earlier, the Chairman of the Medical and Health Workers Union, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital Branch, Mr. Stephen Oricha had appealed to the Management of the hospital to evolve an enhanced welfare package for staff.

The delegates' conference featured the election of officers with Mr. Stephen Oricha and others elected unopposed. ■



The newly elected officers of the Medical and Health Workers Union, UATH Branch. From left: Comrades Stephen Oricha, Chairman; Maureen Yem, Vice Chairman; Secretary, Habu Sulai; Agnes Takama Musa, Treasurer; Danson Magaji, PRO and Pada Yakubu, Auditor.

Reward and Punish where Applicable, Dr. Abubakar

The rising decay in the public service has been blamed on the failure of some public administrators to apply punishment and reward where and when applicable either out of fear or intimidation.

A Chief Administrative Officer in the Department of Administration, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Dr.

Umar Abubakar stated this in a paper at a seminar organized by the department to update staff on current trends in public administration.

In the paper entitled: "Ethics in the Workplace," Dr. Abubakar identified some of the unethical practices in the health sector to include double loyalty which he said accounts for diversion of

patients to private clinics, pharmaceutical shops and laboratories.

Others include lateness to work, absenteeism, sitting on files and out-right alteration of records.

He also listed some of the challenges associated with non-compliance with ethics and ethical code of behavior to

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include over familiarity, near absence of welfare package system in the workplace and harsh economic environment.

Dr. Abubakar noted that where ethical breach is punished and those who uphold high ethical conducts are rewarded, it would serve as both warning and motivation to others.

He appealed to health workers to always maintain high ethical conduct of integrity, honesty and

accountability realizing that their actions or inactions would have impact on the lives of patients under their care.

Earlier, the Director of Administration, Mrs. Khadijat Modupe Adebajo, represented by the Deputy Director, Administration, Mr. Constantine Nwaka called on staff to be dedicated to their duties and to avoid acts inimical to public service.



Director of Administration,
Mrs. Khadijat Modupe Adebajo

PHOTO NEWS



A team from Mindray Medical International Company, Lagos on a visit to the Chief Medical Director, UATH, Prof. Bissallah Ekele after a hands-on training for staff of the Department of Anaesthesia on some Anaesthetic machines and multi-parameter monitors supplied the hospital. From left : Mr. Lawrence Zheming Lu, Miss Sky Sizhe Sun, Prof. Bissallah Ekele, Dr. Collins Eneh and Mr. Tim Zhenitan Shen, Head of the team.



Set 22 Students of the Post Basic Critical Care Nursing School and the Management of the School in a group photograph with the Management of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital. Seated 4th from right is the Chief Medical Director, UATH, Prof. Bissallah Ekele.



Re-accreditation team from the Faculty of Family Medicine, West African College of Physicians in a group photograph with the Hospital Management and Consultants in the Department. Seated middle is the Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee, Dr. Nicholas Baamong who stood in for the Chief Medical Director, Prof. Bissallah Ekele. On his left is the Chairman of the Team, Professor Emmanuel Ameghasie.



Seated middle is the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Prof. Bissallah Ekele in a photograph with members of the accreditation team of the Faculty of Radiology, West African College of Surgeons when the team visited the Department of Radiology on accreditation.

GUEST LECTURE IN PICTURES

Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison, Professor of Obstetrics and Gynaecology; formerly of University College Hospital/University of Ibadan, Ibadan; Former Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences, Ahmadu Bello University, Zaria and Former Vice Chancellor, University of Port Harcourt was at the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital to deliver a Guest lecture entitled “Still Dreaming of Better Maternal Health.”

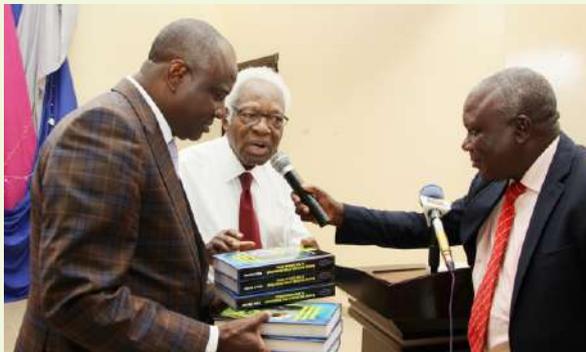
Below are photo shots of the event:



Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison presenting the Guest Lecture: “Still Dreaming of Better Maternal Health.”



A section of guests at the lecture before the commencement of the lecture.



(Middle) Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison presenting sets of books to the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ekele.



(Left) Chairman, Board of University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Dr. Sam Sam Jaja appreciating Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison for a scholarly presentation.



(Left) Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison receiving a plaque of Excellence from the Chairman, Board of University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Dr. Sam Sam Jaja.



Seated 4th from left: Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison in a photograph with some of the participants. On his immediate left is Dr. Sam Sam Jaja, Chairman of the Board of University of Abuja Teaching Hospital and seated 2nd from right is the Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ekele.



Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison fielding questions from Journalists at the event.



(Middle) A grateful Chief Medical Director, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Professor Bissallah Ekele in a handshake of deep appreciation to Emeritus Professor Kelsey Harrison.



(Right) Professor Donald Nzeh of the Department of Radiology presenting a Portrait to Dr. Akinola Babalola as part of activities marking the retirement of Dr. Babalola from public service.



(Left) Deputy Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee, Training and Research, Dr. Kudirat Olateju presenting a parting gift to Miss Anthonia Ajar, one of the Set 22 graduating students of the Post Basic Critical Care Nursing School.



Mr. Peter Okpare Jeremiah of the Department of Administration bid farewell to bachelorhood when he got married to former Miss Comfort Isah at the Firebrand Global Revival Centre, Gwagwalada, Abuja in October, 2019. This is wishing them a happy married life.



Miss Gloria Ejujo Patrick of our Security Unit bid farewell to spinsters in October, 2019 when she took the vow "for better for worse" with Mr. Michael Akonamu Udolisah at the Saint Mary Magdalene Catholic Church, Kutunku, Gwagwalada, Abuja. This is wishing them a fruitful married life



Dr. Kingsley Onwuka of the Department of Surgery took former Miss Favour Onah for better for worse at the Hospital Chapel, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital in October, 2019. This is wishing them a happy married life.



Family of Mr. Yusuf Hassan of the Department of Administration with their new arrival, Maghamviki Samuel Yusufu. This is wishing Samuel God's blessings.



The family of Mr. and Mrs. Darius Monday Dogwo of the Department of Administration was recently blessed with a baby girl, Miss Michelle Peni Ojochenemi, This is wishing the new arrival all the best and God's protection.



Chimzaram Akanno and Chimamanda Akanno, both daughters of Mrs. Ifeoma Chika Akanno of our Laboratory clocked ONE year in October. Congratulations to the twins and indeed the Akanno's family.



Mr. James Avong, Chief Medical Laboratory Scientist on his 50th birthday celebration recently. Congratulations and many happy returns.



Mrs. Paulina Usman Ezra of the Department of Nursing Services on the occasion of her 50th birthday celebration. Congratulations and welcome to the Golden Club.

Crown Security 2 Goals Superior over Icon

This quarter was a season of football friendlies as Crown Security and Icon, both service arms of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital engaged themselves in an inter departmental football encounter.

The tension soaked match ended three goals to one in favour of Crown Security. The first half ended a goal apiece with Icon Services dominating the field of play.

The Icon boys conceded a penalty on resumption of the second half and the third goal just a few minutes to end of regulation time.



National Hospital trade Tackles with UATH's Medical Strikers

The National Hospital, Abuja had a novelty football match with University of Abuja Teaching Hospital football team, the Medical Strikers, as part of activities to mark the 20th Anniversary of National Hospital.

The National Stadium, Abuja was venue of the encounter and the match ended 4-3 in a penalty shoot-out in favour of National Hospital after a goalless full and extra time.

Below are some of the exciting moments of the match.



STOP PRESS!

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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friendship/request on facebook in the
name of Professor Bissallah Ahmed Ekele
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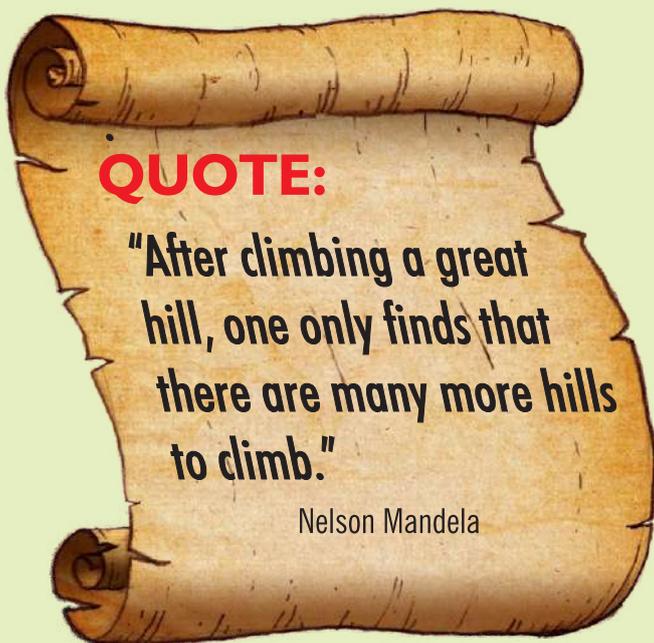


Mrs. Damaris Kems of the
Department of Finance and
Accounts on 23rd of October,
2019 at the age of 50 years.



Mallam Abubakar Alhassan of
the Department of Nursing
Services on 14th October,
2019 at the age of 47 years.

May their souls rest in peace, Amen.



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hill, one only finds that
there are many more hills
to climb."

Nelson Mandela

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