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From the Editorial Desk

One wonders how time flies but all glory be to God Almighty for His blessings and for taking us through the first, second and third quarters of the year 2023. Let me pause, ponder and welcome you to the last edition of the year of UATH BULLETIN.

This edition has lots of news, features, reports, insightful talks, partnerships, and social events. Arguably, the most significant event during the period under review is UATH, Gwagwalada, hosting the 2023 Annual General Meeting of the Committee of Chief Medical Directors of Federal Tertiary Hospitals in Nigeria (CCMDFTH) at Abuja.

A local organizing committee under the leadership of the CMAC – Dr Bob Ukonu, was inaugurated to ensure a successful hosting of the AGM. Both the local and central organizing committees swung into action for the scheduled series of events that was to include the UATH 2023 Annual Staff Award. We shall however, exclude the sounds and sights of the 2023 UATH Staff Award from this package and reserve it as the main event of the next Bulletin.

Some of the other major events that took place within the Hospital during the period under review include the reaccreditation visit to Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology by the West African College of Surgeon; renovation and commissioning of the Female Surgical and Medical Wards; the election and inauguration of the New EXCOS of the Senior Staff Association and that of the Association of Resident Doctors; the World Mental Day celebration and the installation of C-Arm Machine in the Theatre!

In its efforts to support the wellbeing of patients, Management continues to partner with individuals and philanthropic organizations, as donations were received from friends of the hospital that include Okapi Children's Cancer Foundation; Nigerians in Diaspora (UK); Micronova Pharmaceuticals Limited; Fistula Care Initiative; Sisters of Jannah



and Mr. John Musa.

On the social diary segment, our staff have received awards from professional bodies and reputable organizations. Among them is the Award of Excellence presented to the CMD Professor B.A. Ekele by the FCT Rotary Club; the Award of Credence and Honors to Prof. Felicia Anumah; an Investiture of Honour to Mallam Sani Suleiman as a Fellow of the Nigerian Guild of Editors, while Jim Whyte of the Laboratory Department bagged a Doctorate degree in Medical Biochemistry.

Some staff tied the nuptial knots during the period under review include Ahmed Hassan of the CMD's Office, Mr. Peter Yakubu of the Finance and Accounts Department and Dr Etuk Eno-Abasi of the Department of Internal Medicine. The family of Dr Adamu Dahiru of Internal Medicine, was blessed with Baby Hajara who was born on December 11, 2023.

On a sad note, we lost a Deputy Director in the Pharmacy Department, Pharm. Timothy Tetu Vwamdem, who returned to the creator on Saturday, 9th December, 2023 while Dr. Bawa Ahmed Abimiku, a Consultant Pathologist, was called to glory on the 19th December, 2023. We pray to God to give the families the fortitude to bear the irreparable loss and may their souls rest in peace.

Relax and be our companion in this package. Merry Christmas and compliments of the season!

'GUEST COLUMN'

Vanguard Editorial, December 22, 2023



Why Most Prayerful Countries Are Not Most Prosperous!

Normally, the most prayerful countries on earth should be the most prosperous. Unfortunately, according to data released recently by the Pew Research Centre, a non-partisan American think-tank based in Washington D.C., that is not the case. In fact, the most prayerful countries in the world are among the poorest!

Result of the Pew survey showing the most prayerful countries in the world in percentage has the following countries on top of the list: Afghanistan, 96 per cent; Nigeria, 95 per cent; Algeria, 88 per cent; Senegal, 88 per cent; Djibouti, 87 per cent; Iran, 87 per cent; Iraq, 87 per cent; Niger, 87 per cent; and Indonesia, 84 per cent. In the same survey conducted between 2008 and 2017, Nigeria had emerged as the most prayerful country in the world.

Interestingly, the least prayerful countries in the survey – China (1 per cent), UK (6 per cent), Switzerland (8 per cent), Austria (8 per cent), Czechoslovakia (9 per cent), Germany (9 per cent), Estonia (9 per cent) France (10 per cent) and Denmark (10 per cent) –

are among the most economically prosperous nations in the world.

Note that many of those most prayerful countries in the Pew survey had hit the bottom in the 2023 World Justice Project Rule of Law Index that ranked 142 countries based on their adherence to the rule of law. While Nigeria and Afghanistan came tops on prayerfulness, they kissed the dust on obedience to the rules that govern their countries – rules which they made for themselves but hardly obey.

Another significant observation can be made concerning these most prayerful countries. Besides being among the poverty capitals of the world, these countries are reeling under the dead weight of all manners of armed conflicts and insecurity of lives and property. Their citizens are also among the most corrupt in the world!

If after praying, we go and raid the Public Treasury, or murder fellow countrymen and women, our prayer is in vain. In fact, such prayer stokes God's anger against the misguided prayer-warrior. The only prayer from a thief that is

acceptable to God is prayer of genuine repentance. Every other prayer of a sinner is abomination onto God.

Prayer ought to steer us away from stealing, murder, wickedness, treachery, deceit, lies, laziness, irresponsibility and such. Societies that have strong work ethics, abhor the above vices or effectively sanction them through laws, will prosper, whether they pray or not. It is not prayer in itself that brings economic prosperity, although sincere prayer can shape the right mindset and create an atmosphere conducive for wealth generation.

In any case, countries where people subscribe to misguided notions of religion like religious intolerance, fanaticism and bigotry have nothing else to look forward to other than violent conflicts, poverty, diseases and all manners of backwardness.

We must therefore reassess what religion means to us and how we can use it to advance our society, bring lasting peace, justice and economic prosperity to our people.

FG TO PRIORITISE INVESTMENT IN HEALTH INFRASTRUCTURE FOR QUALITY DELIVERY



Coordinating Minister for Health and Social Welfare, Prof. Mohammed Ali Pate, CON, delivering his speech at the CCMDFTH opening ceremony in Abuja.

The Coordinating Minister of Health and Social Welfare, Prof. Ali Pate, says the Federal Government will prioritise investment in health and infrastructure in tertiary hospitals to ensure Nigerians have better quality health care. Pate said this at the 2023 Annual General Meeting of the Committee of Chief Medical Directors and Medical Directors of Federal Tertiary Hospitals (CCMDFTH) in Abuja.

According to him, the realistic solution to discouraging young physicians and health providers from leaving the country is for the situation to improve at home.

Earlier, the Chairman of CCMDFTH, Prof. Emem

Bassey, said that the tertiary hospitals were faced with so many challenges ranging from finance, inadequate budgetary allocation to overhead and high cost of equipment, among others.

Bassey said that the failure in the primary and secondary health sector had resulted in over burdening of the tertiary hospitals, adding that they are providing primary, secondary and tertiary services all at the same time.

The Guest Speaker, Prof. Abdulumuni Rafindadi, in his lecture: Sustaining Quality Tertiary Health Care Delivery in a Challenging Economy, said delivery of quality health care in the public sector was essential for promoting health and well-being in communities.

Rafindadi said quality health care required a multi-faceted approach to ensure access to affordable and effective health care services for all individuals regardless of their socio-economic status.

The Chief Medical Director, UATH, Gwagwalada (host institution), Prof. Bissallah Ekele, said the meeting was an avenue to share ideas, best practices, challenges and source for solutions to move the tertiary hospitals forward in health care delivery. He said the annual meeting was also an opportunity for CMDs and MDs to review their past activities and plan what they intend to do in the immediate future.

ORONSAYE SET TO ACQUIRE TWO DIALYSIS MACHINES FOR UATH AS HE UNVEILS FOUNDATION

By Daniel Okejeme, Abuja

The Chief Executive Officer of African Couture, Nigeria, Mr. Charles Oronsaye, has launched Africana 17 Charitable Foundation to raise funds for two dialysis machines for the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital (UATH), among others. The project, which he described as his lifelong aspiration will also provide free treatment as part of Africana's commitment to social responsibility.

Oronsaye, who disclosed this yesterday in Abuja, noted that the foundation will use fashion as a tool. According to him, the goal of the foundation is to support underprivileged communities and demonstrate the potentially impactful role of the nation's culture industry in the development of the society.

The ceremony, which was tagged, Africana Experience Live Runway was used to unveil the collection titled: The Art of Life. Oronsaye stated that

Africana Couture is domicile in capital cities of three African countries, including Dakar (Senegal), Abidjan (Côte d'Ivoire) and Abuja, the capital city of Nigeria.

He said: "First thing first, we need to conquer Africa before we move to the West. Most people want to rush to the West because they want to look like the West. We want to take care of Africa first before we sit in the West and when we do, it will be more authentic."

The runway featured a range of fashion designs, including the Art of Living (Lounge Wear). This is an effortlessly stylish loungewear that creates a relaxed atmosphere. There is also Art of Culture (Kaftans and Agbada) – an elegant traditional African attire that celebrates the continent's rich heritage.

The Art of Urban (Street Wear) is a contemporary street wear with vibrant African inspired art. The featured designs portrayed, not

only the creative ingenuity of Nigerian designers but a blend of skills and elegance.

An engaging documentary, which was screened across the venue offered greater insights into Africana's journey, ethos and inspiration for SS24 with Ifidon Oisamoje, Guest Creative Director, notably sharing the thought process behind its development.

Black carpet reception set the tone for an evening of grandeur and artistic expression which musical performances, including an orchestra and choir, along with the art installations, provided a vibrant backdrop to the evening.

The night's cultural richness was further amplified through a traditional dance performance from Benin Cultural Troupe, fuelling the atmosphere with a spirited ambience.

- Culled from The Guardian Newspaper! 12 December 2023



WACS ACCREDITATION VISIT TO OBSTETRICS & GYNAECOLOGY DEPARTMENT

The Faculty of Obstetrics and Gynaecology, West African College of Surgeons paid an accreditation visit to the UATH on 18th October, 2023. The team was led by the Faculty Chairman, Professor Ali Samba of Korle Bu Teaching Hospital, Accra, Ghana. Other members of the panel include, Prof. P. H. Daru, Jos University Teaching Hospital, Nigeria; Prof. Abdulmumuni, Korle Bu Teaching Hospital, Accra, Ghana and Prof. John Sotunsa, Babcock University Teaching Hospital, Ijeshin, Nigeria. The team also visited Kwali General Hospital, where residents undertake their rural postings.



CMD, Prof B. A. Ekele in a warm handshake with the Faculty Chairman, Prof Ali Samba while the Faculty Secretary, Prof. P. H. Daru looks on.



Group photograph of Accreditation team members with UATH Top Management Committee

CMD RECEIVES NEWLY ELECTED SSA EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

A new executive committee of the UATH Senior Staff Association (SSA) has been constituted. They are:

1. Comrade Georgina Okoro – Chairperson
2. Ibrahim Lawal – Vice Chairman
3. Comrade Lamda N. Ramnap – General Secretary
4. Mrs Okwesilieze O. Azuka – Treasurer
5. Mohammed Garba Bambi – Asst General Secretary
6. Comrade Theresa M.K Allamagani

7. Mrs James Ijar – Publicity Secretary and

8. Comrade Abubakar Ibrahim – Trustee.

The new Executive Committee led by the former executive members paid a courtesy visit to the Chief Medical Director Professor B.A Ekele to introduce the new Execos on the 1st December, 2023.

The CMAC, Dr. Bob Ukonu who received the team on behalf of the CMD, Prof B.A Ekele congratulated both the former and new executives for conducting a successful

election.

He thanked the past executives for maintaining industrial peace during the past four years and urged the newly elected executives to borrow a leave of comradeship from the outgoing Exco.

Responding on behalf of the Exco, the Chairperson, Comrade Georgina Okoro thanked the Management and assured the Chief Medical Director that all hands will be on deck for the promotion of peace and harmony amongst staff and Management of the Hospital.



Members of the new Exco of Senior Staff Association

FCT MWAN HONOURS FELICIA ANUMAH

The Medical Women Association of Nigeria (MWAN), FCT Chapter, has presented an award of credence/excellence to honour Prof. Felicia Anumah, a consultant Physician/Endocrinologist, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Gwagwalada, FCT. Prof. Anumah who is a Professor of Endocrinology received the award on Thursday, Nov. 9th, 2023 at the Professor Felicia Anumah Diabetes and Endocrine Centre, UATH. The Information Unit reports

that MWAN is a Nigerian women's Health Organization that represents female doctors registered with the Medical and Dental Council of Nigeria (MDCN).

The Chairman, Medical Women Association of Nigeria, FCT Chapter, Dr. Eze-Boulhassane Jennifer, while presenting the award to Prof. Anumah, described her as an epitome of excellence, dedicated towards service to humanity and commitment to duties in the medical profession.

Receiving the award, Prof.

Felicia Anumah thanked the Medical Women Association, FCT Wing for the award, describing it as an unprecedented gesture in finding her worthy of the honour.

The ceremony was witnessed by Dr. Bob Ukonu, Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee (CMAC); Dr Grace Otorpka, Consultant Physician/Dermatologist and MDCAN, UATH Chairman, some medical doctors and other members of the association.



FCT Medical Women Association honours Prof. Felicia Anumah, Consultant Endocrinologist

AXENA HEALTH INCORP PAYS COURTESY VISIT TO UATH

Executive representatives from Axena Health Incorporation, a U.S based women's health company visited the Management of University of Abuja Teaching Hospital on the 29th November, 2023.

In an opening remark, Director, Clinical Strategy & Global Health, Axena Health and Management, Dr Laura Keyser stated that the purpose of their visit was to “discuss opportunities for research

collaboration related to the Leva Product,” a therapeutic product designed to treat women with symptoms of bladder and bowel incontinence and for overall pelvic floor muscle strengthening, including obstetric fistula.

Her counterpart, Dr Jessica Mckinney reiterated that Axena Health has been in partnership with USAID and Engender health since 2013 and so was on the same mission to UATH to build

capacity for rehabilitative care for Pelvic floor disorders and fistula care.

The Chief Medical Director, Prof. Bisallah Ekele appreciated them for their visit and the intended collaboration. He further tasked the Uro-gynecology Unit of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynaecology to provide the necessary support to the Axena Health team.



UATH Management in a Group Photograph with the Axena Health Incorp. Team

NIDS GROUP PARTNERS WITH UATH TO DELIVER SERVICES TO PREGNANT WOMEN AND BABIES IN DISPLACED COMMUNITIES IN FCT

The Nigerian IDP Diaspora Support (NIDS) Group in partnership with the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital (UATH) Gwagwalada, has held a three days' workshop to help deliver services to pregnant women and babies in displaced communities in the FCT.

The founder/Chairman, Nigeria IDP Diaspora Support Group, Mr Kelvin Obi, during the workshop disclosed that the group is a charity organization based in the United Kingdom focused on maternal and child-health and mental health.

The Founder said the group also trained adult and children

trauma counsellors and held a workshop for community health workers and nurses to help reduce maternal mortality rate in child birth in the country.

According to him, over 200 women die every day during childbirth and Nigeria accounts for 20% of death in child birth globally, thereby placing Nigeria as 2nd in maternally mortality rate, a situation he described as worrisome.

Dr Sambo Thomas, a Senior Registrar from the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, UATH, while commending the Support Group for their services tasked the trainees to

use the knowledge acquired to help reduce mortality rate in the country.

The Information Unit reports that the team of experts delivered services at Kuchingoro and Waru communities in FCT as well as donated medical scrubs to UATH. Receiving the donation on behalf of the Chief Medical Director, Professor Bissallah Ekele, the Deputy Director Information, Mr Sani Suleiman appreciated the efforts of the group, thanked them and said the items would no doubt impact positively in rendering services to the patients in the facility.



Cross section of NIDP support Group with UATH staff

WORLD RADIOLOGY DAY MARKED AT UATH

World Radiology Day is a Global Health care awareness event marked on the 8th of November every year. On this day, various health organization across the world join and conduct campaigns to raise awareness about radiology in honour of the role radiologists and radiology technologist play in health care system in the treatment of patients.

The Radiology department of the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital in collaboration with International Association of Radiology Scientist worldwide commemorated the day at the premises of the facility.

Speaking in an interview, Dr E.O Simon who represented

the HOD Radiology Dr. Kolade Yunusa, gave a brief history and the role Radiology has played in health care delivery, challenges and achievements recorded over the years. According to him, radiology being part of medical field has achieved remarkably in the treatment of patients considering the influx of patients to the hospital on daily basis.

He explained that x-ray is a technology that help to identify and treat conditions through diagnosis and that before treatment of disease, a range of imaging techniques are utilized including fluoroscopy, Position Emission Tomography (PET), Computed Tomography (CT), ultrasound, X-ray radiography and

Magnetic Resonance Imaging (MRI), using imaging technology to guide minimally invasive medical operations.

He said that X-ray was discovered by Wilhelm Conrad Roentgen (1845-1923) on the 8th of November, 1895, which is now being celebrated worldwide. Dr. Simon stressed the need for members of the public to be mindful of some restricted areas within the X-ray corner to prevent them from radioactive and nosocomial infections.

He thanked Management of the hospital for their efforts in the upgrade of some equipment at different stages and for the provision of some PPEs to the staff of the department.

WORDS ON MARBLE



**A man without enemies
is an enemy to himself
because he lacks
Courage and Determination
to accomplish what can
attract Enemies of Progress**

UATH HOSTS ENAN 8th NATIONAL ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC CONFERENCE

As part of efforts on capacity building by the Management, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital hosted the Emergency Nurses Association of Nigeria to a three days' workshop on the 28th November, 2023.

The Conference this year has as its theme: “The effects of inadequate motivation/incentive: on the morale and output of the emergency department.”

In an address, the Chief Medical Director, Prof Bissallah Ekele, through the CMAC Dr. Bob Ukonu, welcomed the participants and stated that it was a great honour to have ENAN members from all over the nation. He further reiterated that Emergency Nurses play vital roles, and stressed the need not to undermine the hospital by being committed to their duties.

The National Chairman of ENAN, Dere Bashirat Nike, said the



Dr. Bob Ukonu (CMAC) speaking during the Emergency Nurses Annual Conference

conference was aimed at improving the academic knowledge on the care of emergency nurses and also to educate its members in managing emergency cases.

The Keynote speaker, Mrs Oyeleye Deborah Iyabode, during her lecture on the theme encouraged emergency

nurses to always work closely with patients and to be reassuring as well as calm in highly emotional as well as traumatized situations and called for adequate motivation of emergency nurses who go through so much ordeal to save lives.



Cross Section of Emergency Nurses During the Annual Conference

UATH UNVEILS RENOVATED FEMALE SURGICAL AND MEDICAL WARDS

The University of Abuja Teaching Hospital (UATH) on Friday 17th November, 2023 commissioned its renovated Female Surgical and Medical Wards as part of efforts to help improve health care in the hospital.

Chief Medical Director, Prof. B. A. Ekele at the commissioning said the renovated wards would go a long way to foster the provision of health care services to her teeming patients in the Federal Capital Territory (FCT) and neighbouring states.

Prof. Ekele who was represented by the CMAC, Dr Bob Ukonu, thanked the coordinators and ward managers of the renovated wards for their endurance over the years and patience even when they were temporarily relocated to other wards. He also pleaded with them to maintain the renovated wards.

The Head of Nursing Department, Mrs. Rose Musa appreciated Management for the beautifully renovated wards. She assured Management that the ward managers and matrons would ensure the maintenance of the items provided and a clean environment.



Entrance to the renovated Female Surgical Ward



Entrance to the newly renovated Female Medical Ward

DONORS AND HOSPITAL SUPPORTERS FOR THE FOURTH QUARTER 2023

Management sincerely appreciates the generosity of the following individuals/ organizations for their kind donations/ support toward our patients and the hospital.

S/N	NAME OF ORGANIZATION	DONATION (S)
1	Okapi Children Cancer Foundation	N3,216,106.95K
2	Zolon Health Care Ltd	3 Horse Power Split Unit AC (Hisense) to Paediatrics Unit
3	Festula Care Initiative	Consumables & Drugs for VVF repairs worth N200,000
4	Sisters of Jannah	2 Standing Fans To Female Surgical Ward & the Sum of N47,500 to Patients.
5	Mr. John Musa	N110,000 to Patients
6	100% Jesus Organization	N443,703 To Settle Patients' Bills
7	Micro Nova Pharmacy Ltd	Refrigerator to O & G Pharmacy
8	David Umahi Federal University of Health Sciences Uburu, Ebonyi State	Dialysis Consumables
9	A member of UATH MDCAN	Renovation of a portion of House Officers Quarters

We pray that Almighty God strengthens and reward them a thousand folds. Amen!

ROTARY CLUB CALLS FOR INCLUSIVE MENTAL HEALTH POLICIES IN NIGERIA

The Rotary Club of Gwagwalada in partnership with the University of Abuja Teaching Hospital (UATH) and other stakeholders has advocated for inclusive mental health policies in Nigeria.

In an address at the occasion, the President of Rotary Club of Gwagwalada, Rotarian Ayodele Steven, during the sensitization program said some of the factors can lead to mental health challenges include poverty, spousal challenges, stigmatization, drunkenness, and drug abuse and therefore urged people to seek for assistance from reputable health institutions or medical personnels whenever such mental issues arose.

In a presentation a Consultant Psychiatrist, University of Abuja Teaching Hospital, Gwagwalada,



The President of Rotary Club of Gwagwalada, Rotarian Ayodele Stephen and other Rotarians

Abuja, Dr Muftau Mohammed said the theme of this year is “mental health a human right” and disclosed that mental health problems are universal and the World Health Organization (WHO) says 1 out of 4 people are at risk of developing mental health problems in their lifetime.

The Chief Medical Director, Professor Bissallah A. Ekele, who was represented by the Deputy Director Information, Sani Suleiman, called on people to stop the stigmatization of people with mental health and said as part of efforts to address mental health challenges, his administration has given priority to the construction of a new Mental Health Block which is about 80% completed. The World Mental Health Day is celebrated on the 10th of October every year, aimed at raising awareness of mental health around the globe. Those in attendance at the occasion include the HOD Mental Health, Dr Joseph Aba; HOD Family Health, Dr Joel Abu; NHIS Coordinator, Dr Rukayat Abdulkarim and HOD Nursing, Mrs Rose Musa who presented an award to a retired Chief Nursing Officer, Mr Paul Fiafe, whose dedication and commitment was outstanding during his service to the UATH.



Rotarian Musa Dala (Middle) and other Rotarians during the World Mental Health Day sensitization walk

ARD-UATH ELECTS NEW EXCO

A new Executive Council of the Association of Resident Doctors UATH has been constituted following an election on the 5th of December, 2023. The election which was conducted through electronic

voting system has Dr. Aba Innocent Ochigbo as President; Dr. Njoku Wisdom, Secretary General; Dr. Aisha Abdulmalik, Treasurer; Dr. Eziere, Assistant Secretary; Dr. Etuk Eno Abasi, Financial Secretary; Dr. Ameh Sunday, Public Relations Officer; Dr. Agada

Samuel, Director of Welfare while Dr. Ochi Christabel was elected as Ex-officio I and Dr. Imam Abubakar Ex-officio II. They will run the affairs of the Association for one year. The oath of office was administered by Dr. Momoh Musa.



The Newly Elected UATH ARD Executive Members in a Group Photograph.

ACCREDITATION VISIT RESULTS



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The Chief Medical Director,
University of Abuja Teaching Hospital,
Gwagwalada, Abuja.

Dear Sir,

ACCREDITATION APPROVAL FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL MEDICINE OF YOUR INSTITUTION

Sequel to the report of the accreditation team that visited the department of Internal Medicine in your Institution from the **25th – 28th June 2023**, the Council of the West African College of Physicians, sitting on the **22nd October, 2023**, granted your Institution a **Full Accreditation for 5 years**, to train Residents as follows:

S/NO	SUBSPECIALTIES	SENIOR RESIDENTS
a.	Gastroenterology	8
b.	Infectious Disease	4

Please note that you are expected to apply for re-accreditation six (6) months before the due date of **12th November, 2028**.

Congratulations!



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a.	75	50

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PHOTO NEWS



Coordinating Minister for Health and Social Welfare, Prof. Mohammed Ali Pate and the Chairman of CCMDFTH, Prof. Emem Bassey at the CCMDFTH opening ceremony



The Chief Host, Prof. Bissallah Ekele with his colleagues at the CCMDFTH opening ceremony



Prof. Abdulmumini Rafindadi, the Guest Speaker at the CCMDFTH.

PHOTO NEWS



Professors Sa'ad Ahmed and Auwal Abubakar, CMDs of FMC Jabi and Yola respectively.



Coordinating Minister for Health and Social Welfare, Prof. Mohammed Ali Pate, exchanging pleasantries with Mr Gary of ECOMED at the CCMDFTH Exhibition Stand.



The CMD, Prof. Bissallah Ekele (Chief Host) leading the CMDs and MDs on a tour of UATH facilities.

PHOTO NEWS



The Chairman of CCMDFTH,
Prof. Emem Bassey signing
the UATH Visitors Book.



Guests at the
Welcome Cocktail Party,
Sandralia Hotel,
Jabi, Abuja



The Chief Host,
Prof. Bissallah Ekele with
Dr Bello Mohammed
(CMD, FMC, Gusau) and
Prof. Emem Bassey
at the
Welcome Cocktail Party,
Sandralia Hotel, Jabi, Abuja.

PHOTO NEWS



L - R: Mrs. Rose Musa, HOD Nursing; Dr Ukonu and wife; Mrs. Khadijat Adebajo, DA and Mr. Solomon Okewole, Head of Audit at the CCMDFTH Gala Night.



Okapi Children Cancer Foundation Organised 2023 Christmas and End of Year Party.



Senior Staff Association Members casting their votes during the SSA election.

PHOTO NEWS



CNO Lakai Samson
Working on the new
C-Arm Machine



Cross section of 2023
Clinical Interns Receiving
Orientation from TMC.



Mr. Sani Suleiman, DDI, UATH,
in a handshake with
Prof Rotimi Jaiyesimi
of NIDP Diaspora Support Group
at Waru Primary Health Center,
AMAC.

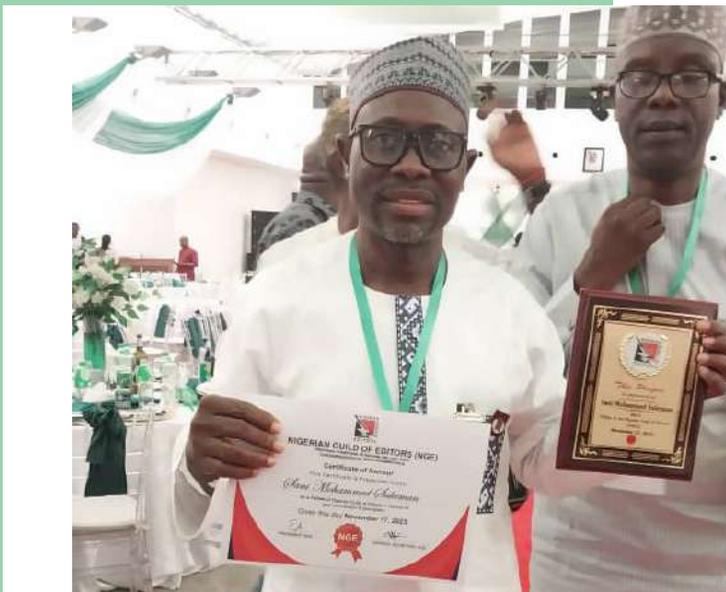
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L-R: Prof KC Iregbu,
Dr. J. Oguche,
Prof. Sa'ad Ahmed,
Prof. EJC Nwanna
and Prof A. Odili
at Gudu Cemetery
during Dr B.A. Abimiku burial
on 19th December 2023.



Donation of a Refrigerator to
O & G Department by
Micronova Pharmacy Limited



Sani Suleiman, DDI UATH
receives award of Honor
as a Fellow of the Nigerian
Guild of Editors (FNGE) on
the 17th of November, 2023.

SOCIAL DIARY



Mr. Ahmed Hassan of Admin Department tied the nuptial knot with Ms. Amina Lawal on the 17th of November, 2023.



Mr. Peter Yakubu of Finance & Account Department tied the nuptial knot with Ms. Ruth Atureta of the Nursing Department on 15/12/23.



Dr Paul Andrew (Registrar) of Surgery Department tied the Nuptial Knot on the 9th of December, 2023



Dr Eno-Abasi Etuk of the Internal Medicine Department tied the nuptial knot on the 28th October, 2023



Mr Joseph Nda Momoh of Ochija Cleaning Service tied the nuptial knot on the 9th of December, 2023



Dr. Adamu Bara (Senior Registrar) in the department of Internal Medicine welcome his bundle of joy (baby Hajara) on the 11th December, 2023.

OBITUARY



**NAME: LATE DR. BAWA ABIMIKU,
DEPARTMENT: HISTOPHATHOLOGY
RANK: CONSULTANT
HISTOPHATHOLOGIST,
DIED: 19/12/23.**

**Call To
Glory**

We Regret to announce with a heavily heart the passing away of a friend, brother, husband, father & Uncle

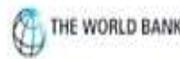
**LATE PHARM. TIMOTHY
TETU VWAMDEN**

AGED **54** years (1969-2023)

BURIAL ARRANGEMENT:
15th December 2023: SERVICE OF SONGS
@ COCIN LCC Gwagwalada, RCC Gwagwalada, Behind Napa Sub-Station . Opposite Kontagora Estate, Gwagwalada
TIME: 4pm
16th December, 2023 @
Body Leaves University Of Abuja Teaching Hospital By 4 am For Onward Journey To COCIN LCC Bidol, RCC Ampang West Mangu Local Government Area Of Plateau State For Funeral Service
Final Interment At Family Compound, Bidol Ampang West, Mangu L.G.A Plateau State.

**NAME: LATE PHARM TIMOTHY
TETU VWAMDEN
DEPARTMENT: PHARMACY
RANK: DEPUTY DIRECTOR
DIED: 9/12/23
AGE: 54 YEARS**

May their souls rest in peace!



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Ensure that your children are fully vaccinated against diphtheria



Visit a nearby health centre if you notice any symptoms of diphtheria



Get your vaccine if you missed it as a child



Wash hands frequently with soap under running water



Healthcare workers should maintain a high index of suspicion

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