

ROTARY CLUB OF ABUJA VISIT NATIONAL HOSPITAL, ABUJA. DONATES MOSQUITO NETS. 13TH MAY, 2010

The Rotary club of Abuja headed by the President of the club, Prince Seyi Lufadeju paid a visit to the National hospital Abuja.

Delivering his speech at the occasion, the President traced the ills associated with mosquito bites and the incessant fight against the scourge by Government and NGOs alike especially affecting children and pregnant women. In an effort to continue the fight against the scourge, he donated 100 mosquito nets to the hospital with a pledge to bring more in the near future.

In his welcome remarks, the Acting CMAC who stood in for the Acting CMD received the nets and thanked the Rotarians with a promise to make good use of it to help eradicate malaria.

Present at the occasion were Prince Seyi Lufadeju, president with the past District Governor, Mohammed Yama, Chuka Oboli, Treasurer, Mr. Jauro Rufun Sec. General and Dr. Olusesi, Sergeant at Arms while Dr. JAF Momoh; Acting CMAC and Mr. Charles Ogbeide; DD/PR&D for the hospital.

CLINICAL GRAND ROUND MEETING

The clinical grand round meeting continued on the 19th May, 2010 with no particular department presenting.

During the presentation, the overview of the topic; post exposure prophylaxis was read by Dr. Oniyangi who also introduced the presenters.

In their presentation Dr. Anga who was the first presenter defined post exposure prophylaxis (PEP) as a short term anti retroviral treatment to reduce the likelihood of HIV infection after potential exposure, either occupationally or through sexual intercourse. He also gave an insight on when one will be considered for PEP emanating from needle stick injury/sharps injury that is used on HIV positive patients and mucosal exposure of the mouth or eye by splashing fluid among others.

Dr. Mora gave the definition of universal safety precautions as a simple set of effective practices designed to protect health workers from infection from wide range of pathogens including blood borne viruses. He further showed the minimum standard to be observed by health workers, use of barrier precautions, safe handling of disposable sharps, and Hapatitis

B immunization. Where the risk of infection following needle stick injury or needle from infected source patient is 0.3% for HIV, 3% for Hepatitis C, and 6-30% for hepatitis B it shows that the high level of contact in hepatitis B is more than HIV.

Pharm. Kilani took his turn on the administration of drugs, while Matron Abdullahi showed a chart on the hospital algorithm for post exposure prophylaxis following occupational exposure.

Commenting on the presentation, Dr. Iregbu called for continuous education of staff involved in waste disposal on the need for proper handling of such waste while Dr. Osuagwu called for a continuous orientation of new employees on occupational exposure and also the need to carryout hepatitis B test on all staff to ascertain their status.

VISITORS PUT SMILE ON THE FACES OF PAEDIATRICS PATIENTS

On Saturday, 29th May 2010 was marked as democracy day throughout the country and in National Hospital, Abuja two religious bodies celebrated their democracy day with the in paediatrics wards of the hospital.

The Wesley Guild of Methodist Cathedral Unity, Wuse zone 3, Abuja visited the hospital paediatric to mark 22nd Anniversary celebration week which coincides with the democracy day.

Welcoming the delegation, Matron Garo thanked them for taking their time to pay them such visit after which they made some donations of toiletries and beverages to the sick children. Prominent among the entourage were the Assistant Director Biomedical; Engineer Neizer K. E. and the Chief Catering Officer, Mrs Ada Onazi.

Mean while, the RCCG- the everlasting arms parish Garki, Abuja led by Hiz Elizabeth Ekpenyong also made wonderful donations to the children in the paediatrics ward with a prayer offered by both Christian bodies.

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