



## PRESS RELEASE

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### **May Pen Hospital Benefits From Donations to Improve Healthcare Delivery**

The May Pen Hospital in Clarendon has received donations valued at more than J \$1 million, aimed at improving quality healthcare to customers.

The donations were handed over to the hospital on Tuesday, August 23 and include a laptop and desktop computer valued at J \$446,000.00 donated by Dr. Ivanah Thomas, medical doctor and philanthropist. The other items include four wheelchairs; a portable oxygen cylinder; a hospital bed with mattress; three digital thermometers and a pulse oximeter, valued at J \$697,000.00 and donated by KOICA Alumni Association-Jamaica Chapter.

Mrs. Eugena Clarke-James, CEO for the hospital expressed gratitude for the donations, noting that it will have a great impact on the hospital in regards to customer service and service delivery to patients.

"We are really appreciative to Dr. Ivanah Thomas for her donation of a laptop and desktop computer to the Customer Service Department at the hospital. It will go a far way because customer service is important to the success of any institution and the team in the department will have added resources in order to function effectively and efficiently to improve the services for our clients" Mrs. Clarke-James said.

She added that the donation from the KOICA Association is a blessing, noting that: "These medical sundries will be used for the intended purpose because we are all about patient care and quality service delivery. When persons come to our facility we have to win their confidence and trust as they are here to gain quality care which is our responsibility."

For Dr. Ivanah Thomas, who was a student doctor at the hospital years

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ago, it was a joy to donate to the hospital. She encouraged others to give back to improve the care and services offered at the hospital.

In the meantime, Andre Lindsay, President of the KOICA Association, explained that KOICA is an agency of the Korean Embassy established to improve the bilateral relations between the countries, while offering support in areas of education and healthcare to improve the lives of Jamaicans.

"This year we decided to focus on the health sector and we hope that our donation, based on the hospital's demands will go a long way. We are very happy that we were able to give this donation and we thank the hospital for welcoming us to its facility" Mr. Lindsay said.

Picture 1



Dr. Ivanah Thomas (2<sup>nd</sup> left) presents the desktop computer and laptop to the May Pen Hospital team, which includes: Eugena Clarke-James, CEO (right), Faith Sterling, Customer Service Manager (2<sup>nd</sup> right) and Customer Service Officer, Andrea Lecky-Smith.

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Picture 2



Eugena Clarke-James, CEO of the May Pen Hospital (right) and Yvonne Brown-Smith, Director of Nursing Services at the hospital accept the donations from the KOICA Alumni Association, Jamaica Chapter from Andre Lindsay, the agency's president and its Public Relations Officer, Pauline McPherson.

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