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## PRESS RELEASE

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

### **Southern Regional Health Authority hosts Leadership Seminar**

The Southern Regional Health Authority (SRHA) held a Leadership Seminar on Wednesday, November 11, 2015 at the Mandeville Hotel under the theme “Leadership for the Sustainability of an Effective and Responsive Health System.”

The seminar, which was organized into three segments, targeted, Directors, CEOs, Parish Managers, Senior Medical Officers, Medical Officers of Health, Nurses and Public Health inspectors.

Mr. Earl McLaughlin, Parish Manager - Manchester Health Services moderated the first segment, while Mrs. Herschel Ismail, Director of Operations & Maintenance at the Regional Office and Dr. Tonia Dawkins-Beharie, Medical Officer (Health) - St Elizabeth Health Services moderated the second and third segments respectively.

SRHA Director of Human Resources, Nicolette Thomas Edwards, said the seminar was geared at equipping Senior Managers with useful, relevant and current information about various aspects of Leadership by utilizing resource persons with expertise from varying backgrounds – private sector, public sector (health management), executive agency, union and church leadership.

She added that the seminar was also a motivational tool for Senior Managers reminding them that they are in fact ‘Recognized SRHA Leaders’ and that despite the many challenges they face their contribution is valued.

A number of presentations were carried out which explored different aspects of Leadership in Health. Each presentation was followed by a Question and Answer segment, facilitated by different members of the SRHA.

Some of the presentations included How Do Leaders Offer a Course of Action to Effectively Meet Challenges which was made by Dr. Patricia Holness, Employees’ Expectations of Leaders - The Union’s Perspective by

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Mrs. Helene Davis-Whyte and What Does It Mean to Be a True Leader by Mrs. Janet McConnell.

Evaluation Questionnaires given out for the Leadership Seminar showed that all participants found the presentations useful. Some participants recommended that more training sessions should be held at the local level.

The SRHA looks forward to much improvement and heightened performance.

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Mrs. Herschel Ismail, Director of Operations & Maintenance at the Regional Office scans through her programme.

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Mrs. Nicolette Thomas Edwards, Director, Human Resource Management & Industrial Relations does the Welcome & Opening Remarks

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