

## SOUTHERN REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

3 Brumalia Road, Mandeville, Manchester, Jamaica WI Tel.: (876) 625-0612-3, 962-9491 or 962-8232 | Fax: (876) 962-8233 | www.srha.gov.jm



Mandeville Regional Hospital

32 Hargreaves Avenue Mandeville Ph: 962-2067/2744/1094 Fax: 625-8493

### May Pen Hospital

1 Muirhead Avenue May Pen Ph: 986-2528/7708/6938 Fax: 986-2650

#### **Black River Hospital**

45 High Street Black River Ph: 965-2224/2212 634-3700 Fax: 965-9294

#### Percy Junor Hospital

Spalding P.O. Clarendon Ph: 964-1181/2222/2322 Fax: 964-1548

#### Lionel Town Hospital

Bustamante Drive Vere, Clarendon Ph: 986-3226 Fax: 986-3373

#### Chapelton Hospital Chapelton P.O.

Clarendon Ph: 987-2215

#### Manchester Health Dept.

Race Course Rd.
Mandeville
Ph: 962-2288/7033
625-3433
Fax: 962-2171

#### Clarendon Health Dept.

1 Muirhead Avenue May Pen Ph: 986-4548/7869 Fax: 986-9713

#### St. Elizabeth Health Dept

High Street Black River Ph: 965-9174-5 Fax: 965-2701

## **PRESS RELEASE**

## May 1, 2015 FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

# May Pen Hospital Reminds Public of Proceedure When Persons are Brought in Dead

CEO of the May Pen Hospital in Clarendon, Nadia Nunes is reminding the public, particularly drivers that when they give assistance to members of the public who have been injured and those injuries result in death as determined by a Medical Doctor, the body must remain in the location where the doctor made the pronouncement until the Police have given instructions for removal.

The reminder follows an incident at the May Pen Hospital where a male suffering from gunshot wounds was brought to the Hospital last night (April 30) at 6:50 p.m. in a taxi. After assessment by the Emergency Medical personnel, it was observed that the injured man died on his way to the hospital. He was pronounced dead by a Medical Doctor at 6:55 p.m.

The CEO explained that after the man was pronounced dead, the occupants of the taxi removed the deceased from the car and placed the body on the hospital corridor.

She added that this is an unfortunate occurrence which the hospital is pleading with members of the public to discontinue. "Practices like these not only hamper the work of the Police but also causes additional trauma to relatives and staff" the CEO said.

-30-

For more information contact: Latoya Laylor Brown Public Relations & Advocacy Officer Southern Regional Health Authority Tel: 962-8232/779-2663

Email: <u>latoya.laylor@srha.gov.jm</u>

Chairman: Michael Stewart; Vice Chairman: Natalie Sparkes; Directors: Carlton Bailey, Dr Sonia Copeland; Nancy Davis; H Doreen Evans; Hopeton McCatty; Beryl Rochester; Dermon Spence; Seymour Stewart; Nadalie Walker-Rose Regional Director and Secretary: Michael Bent; Regional Technical Director: Dr Michael Coombs; CEO Mandeville Regional Hospital: Alwyn Miller; SMO, Mandeville Regional Hospital: Dr Everton McIntosh