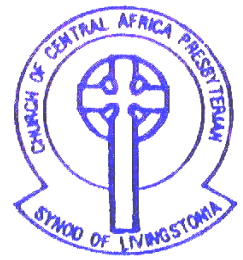


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CHRIST PEOPLE HEALTH

PRAYER ITEMS.

- Thank God for the new hospital Staffs. We pray that they settle down well in their posts.
- Thank God for maintaining hospital operation in the mist of COVID-19 pandemic

DGMH ENGAGES CHIEFS ON COVID -19

The hospital through Primary health care department have engaged chiefs around catchment area .The aim of the meeting was to provide chiefs with correct information with regards to COVID -19 vaccines. Chiefs play a major role in the fight of COVID-19 and to curb the challenges which includes accepting test positive results , to refusal to go to treatment centers when referred and adoption rate drops due to misconception

DGMH COMMITTED TO SECURE STAFFS AND COMMUNITY FROM COVID 19 THROUGH VACCINATION

DGM Hospital has taken a strong stand in support of Malawi government's calls for the nation to achieve herd immunity against COVID-19 through intensive and progressive COVID-19 vaccination.

Apart from this commitment ,DGMH has directed all its employee to comply with vaccine requirements by going to receive their jab at hospital. According Dr Innocent Mkungula speaking at the lunch of vaccines campaign .He said based on current public health literature vaccines offer the best possible chances of beating the virus and reducing cost and time of hospitalization.



ENHANCING TESTING IN THE THIRD WAVE OF COVID -19

The demands brought forth by COVID -19 has forced Laboratory manager at DGMH to locate one room as testing room in her department. According to the register at the laboratory since July 2021 to August 2021 the laboratory have tested about 110 people and 73 people have tested positive and five people died. The hospital meet the following challenges :Acceptance of results, Adoption rate drops because of misconception and denial to be referred to treatment center.

Despite the challenges the hospital has managed to train all its staffs on Covid 19 prevention measures, conducted community awareness on Covid 19,the hospital also managed to procure essential drugs , taking vaccines closer to people in the community and have received ambulance from Government for Covid 19 which is used to refer patients to treatment center.The hospital has strengthened community awareness and submitted proposal to government to add covid 19 on service level agreement.



SPIRITUAL GUIDANCE

‘ Trust in Him at all times, you people: Pour out your heart before HIM: God is a refuge for us.’

Psalms 62 v8 (NIV)

Readers response

Readers are encouraged to comment on issues raised in this Newsletter.

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DAVID GORDON HOSPITAL IN COVID JABS OUT-REACH CAMPAIGN

DGM hospital through Primary health care strives to reach out to many people within its community to vaccinate them. In a separate interview, Health Surveillance Assistant (HAS) Watson Chivwati said reaching out to all people to get vaccinated is an important task that government needs to invest in making sure that community health workers are doing the needful in vaccinating the eligible targeted group. He also said that residents that have not yet taken their jab will not be forced to do so because people have the right to get vaccinated or not. He further said that they will intensify the advocacy to clear myths and misconceptions preventing many people from getting vaccinated. The hospital want to take advantage of summer season when Covid-19 cases have dropped to vaccinate many people before rainy season. The Hospital vaccinated 768 people with Astra Zeneka vaccines and 200 people received Johnson Johnson vaccines



NEW AMBULANCE FOR COVID -19

David Gordon Memorial Hospital through Christian Health Association of Malawi (CHAM) has received an ambulance from Ministry Of Health to assist in referral of patients from DGM Hospital to Central hospital and Rumphi district hospital .



CHANGES IN ADMINISTRATION

Medical officer incharge and Principal hospital Administrator are both on leave and the Offices have Mr Ishmael Jonathan Nyirend who is head of clinical as Acting Medical officer and Miss Anastasia Nyirenda who is Senior Administrative Officer as Acting Principal Administrator.

EYE SERVICES AT DGM HOSPITAL

The hospital has opened its Eye department .It is managed by Optometrist Mrs Tabu Chisi from May 2021. The department offers the following services: Diagnosing Ocular condition and treatment, detect binocular anomalies and refraction to prescribe glasses.