



# ST. MARTIN DE PORRES HOSPITAL NEWS LETTER

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## CONSTRUCTION OF NEW OPD BLOCK



PDC The Bishop of Koforidua, Cutting the sod for work to commence on the new OPD Block

### SAINT MARTIN DE PORRES GOES HI-TECH

Saint Martin De Porres Hospital goes Hi-tech. You can now download Monthly Data Capture, Annual Service Utilisation Figures, Quarterly and Half yearly reports from our active website - [www.stmartinshospital.org](http://www.stmartinshospital.org)



PDC Home page of the Hospital website

On 24<sup>th</sup> February, 2009 the sod was cut for the construction of a New Outpatient Department block for the hospital by the Most Rev. Father Joseph Afrifah-Agyekum Bishop of the Koforidua diocese. The New Block which is currently under construction will provide the hospital a more spacious consulting rooms and an Ultra modern facilities. The privacy of Patients/ Clients is also assured.

### NEW CD4 MACHINE

The hospital has at long last been provided with a BD FACS COUNT Analyser by the NACP for CD4 count in the laboratory as an ART site. The inconveniencies of analysing our CD4 at a different facility is now over. Said the unit head, Gloria Anokye.



PDC BD FACS COUNT

## **ACQUISITION OF MOTOR HEARSE**

A new motor hearse has been acquired by the hospital to help convey bodies from the morgue to various destinations. The motor hearse has been a saviour says the town folks interviewed, for it has reduced the hardship of conveying dead bodies from the morgue.



PDC Motor Hearse

## **COLD ROOM EXTENSION**

### **PROJECT**

The mortuary has also seen a massive infrastructural development within these few months. A new mortuary Cold Room has been constructed and furnished with the necessary equipment to make it function properly.

Mr. G.A Asiedu head of department when interviewed said the project will enhance storage of bodies and also reduce congestion at the mortuary.



PDC Mortuary Coldroom

## **HOME SCIENCE BLOCK FOR ROMAN CATHOLIC BASIC SCHOOL**

A new home science block is under construction for the Roman Catholic Basic school in exchange for a piece of land, to put-up staff flats. This is to reduce accommodation problems staff currently face.



PDC Home Science block

### **TIP BITS**

- An Ultra modern X-ray machine is to be delivered soon to the Hospital by Philips International. It is a donation from Krobo Netherlands foundation, Netherlands. Led by Dr. CeesVan Oist
- Arrangements for three (3) additional security men, is in the offing. This is to increase the staff strength of the department.
- New Auto Chemistry Analyser (Hb EPS) from NACP/ MOH has been delivered to the laboratory.
- The Hospital gate leading to the market is to be opened for medical emergencies only.
- Two-split Air conditioners for the theater have been installed.
- New mortuary shed constructed and ready to be used.



## REHABILITATION AND EXTENSION OF THE OLD OPD PORTICO

The Old waiting area have been rehabilitated and extended making the place more spacious. The rehabilitated OPD waiting Area has been furnished with the necessary gadgets like Multi-TV to provide Religious programmes and Movies to make the patients feel more comfortable.

### Views of Patients and Heads of Department interviewed on the project

These are the comments of a few patients and staff interviewed on the project;

Patients were happy about the OPD project and also talked about the comfort they currently enjoy, but also complained resentfully about the waiting period at the health Information department. Despite all these challenges they said, the hospital is outstanding among other hospitals in the district and encouraged the Hospital management team to continue its excellent work.

Madam Mary Abakah the head of the OPD was highly elated about the extension and hoped more development projects will be initiated to improve upon quality of care.



P DC Satellite TV dish



P DC Rehabilitated old OPD waiting area

## CONCRETING OF HOSPITAL GROUNDS

The hospital environs have undergone massive rehabilitation over the past few months ranging from concreting of the hospital floor, to landscaping. This project will enhance the use of wheel chairs and trolleys around the hospital premises.

Mr. Daniel Batsa head of Housekeeping, Sanitation and Grounds unit when interviewed was very glad about the concreting of the floor which has made work easier. He applauded Management for their good work.



P DC Concreted floor

### NEW CLINICAL FOLDERS FILING ROOM

The management has decided to put up a filing Room for clinical folders to reduce congestion at the main Health Information Department and also ease the problems associated with retrieving patient's folders.

Mr. Raphael Alaglo head of the Health Information department when interviewed on the new clinical folders filing Room project said it will be very beneficial and also reduce congestion at the main Health Information department. He also encouraged management to continue the excellent work.

**HOSPITAL UTILIZATION FIGURES (JAN - JUNE 2009)****WORKLOAD ANALYSIS OPD ATTENDANCE**

| INDICATOR              | 2005   | 2006          | 2007   | 2008   | 2009   | %      |
|------------------------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Out-patient Attendance | 12,567 | <b>22,944</b> | 27,004 | 45,668 | 25,738 | (43.6) |
| Under 5                | 1,564  | 1,688         | 2,365  | 4,586  | 2,273  | (50.4) |
| 5 - 14                 | 1,128  | 1,095         | 3,189  | 5,804  | 2,620  | (54.9) |
| 15 - 59                | 7,814  | 8,398         | 16,992 | 26,138 | 15,239 | (41.7) |

**OPD INSURED AND NON-INSURED**

| INDICATOR | 2006   | 2007   | 2008   | 2009   | %      |
|-----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| Insured   | 10,333 | 17,667 | 36,785 | 22,645 | (38.4) |

NB: Insured patients constitute 88% of total OPD attendance with 12% being non-insured

**INPATIENT ACTIVITIES**

| INDICATOR | 2005  | 2006  | 2007  | 2008  | 2009  | %   |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-----|
| Admission | 1,509 | 1,661 | 1,793 | 1,927 | 2,027 | 5.2 |
| Discharge | 1,409 | 1,572 | 1,642 | 1,785 | 1,910 | 7.2 |

For In-patient the insured constitute 65% of the admission and non-insured 35%

**SAFE MOTHERHOOD**

| INDICATOR                      | 2008  | 2009           |
|--------------------------------|---|----------------|
| No. Of deliveries              | 606   | 508            |
| No. of stillbirths             | FSB 13<br>MSB 15  | FSB 3<br>MSB 9 |
| No. of caesarean section       | 65  | 31             |
| No. of maternal death          | 2   | 0              |
| No. of maternal deaths audited | 2   | 0              |
| Major causes of maternal death | Acute left ventricular failure 2 Anaemia<br>- Ruptured, Uterus+ PPH |                |

**TOP TEN CAUSES OF OPD ATTENDANCE**

| NO: | DISEASE                    | FREQUENCY |
|-----|----------------------------|-----------|
| 1.  | Simple Malaria Non-Lab     | 5,279     |
| 2.  | Severe Malaria Non- Lab    | 4,671     |
| 3.  | Hypertension               | 313       |
| 4.  | Rheumatism and Joint Pains | 1,737     |
| 5.  | Diarrhoea Diseases         | 1,610     |
| 6.  | Other ARI                  | 1,474     |
| 7.  | Anaemia                    | 1,046     |
| 8.  | Diabetes Mellitus          | 555       |

**TOP TEN CAUSES OF DEATH**

| NO: | DISEASE            | FREQUENCY |
|-----|--------------------|-----------|
| 1.  | HIV/AIDS           | 35        |
| 2.  | TUBERCULOSIS       | 17        |
| 3.  | ANAEMIA            | 13        |
| 4.  | PNEUMONIA          | 12        |
| 5.  | MALARIA            | 11        |
| 6.  | HYPERTENSION       | 8         |
| 7.  | CVA                | 8         |
| 8.  | DIARRHOEA DISEASES | 4         |
| 9.  | TYPHOID            | 2         |
| 10. | DIABETES MELLITUS  | 2         |