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DINNER – MEETING WITH MR HANS EIJKHOUT

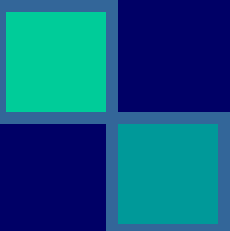

COLLABORATING IN SUB-SAHARAN AFRICA
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IOM –MIDA/GHANA

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- Introduction -MIDA Ghana Project. Manager, Mr Hans Eijkhout - outline of IOM/MIDA.
 - Offices in Ghana.
 - Diaspora resident in Specific European Countries – UK, Germany, Holland etc
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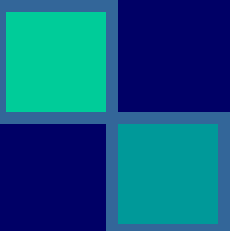



Motec – MIDA collaboration

- In the beginning – common purpose of Good Health and Education.
 - Desired goals and objectives as defined by Motec Life –UK and MIDA
 - MIDA's support – for Motec
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2009 – MIDA for Motec/Ghana

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- 10 recourse Personnel sponsored
 - Educational material, IT Equipment worth about EU2,500.00
 - Sponsorship of training ITU doctor from Kumasi in London worth about £5,500.00
 - Collateral gains in the establishment of the International Surgical Centre etc.
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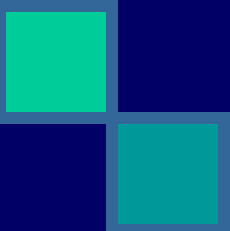



Difficulties & Achievements a)

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- Professional leave in UK
 - Medical Registration in Ghana
 - Night flights into Accra and recommended flights by IOM/MIDA
 - Variable mobility within Ghana – hospital factor.
 - Variable commitment by hospital staff

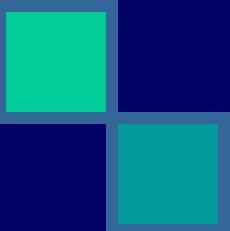



Difficulties and Achievements b)

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- Difficult 'link coordination' of local and regional educational programmes in Ghana. Factors – staff release and publicity.
 - Cumbersome and expensive procedures for accreditation of educational programmes.
 - Too spread out in Ghana

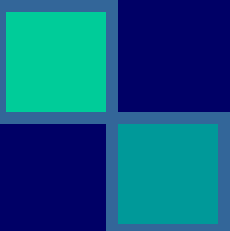



Difficulties and achievements c)

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- Creation of academic atmosphere
 - Recognition of the importance of patient and staff safety – patient care: peri-operative; rehabilitation.
 - Nutrition – foundations
 - Basic and skilled care.
 - Good feel of difficulties on the ground in the hospitals and nurses training colleges.
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Difficulties and achievement d)

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- Quality books for the libraries of Nurses Colleges at Nkawkaw, Pramso and Jirapa worth over EU2,000.00
 - Sponsorship fund for the training of a midwife for Donyina Maternity at £2,200.00
 - Two way feedback Reports suggest successful completion of 3month training in I.T.U care for Dr Anaesthetist Dr Hemeng for Kumasi.
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Today's Situation- 2010

- Official – April 15th to 23rd, June 12th to 26th , October 9th to 23rd
- April Limited educational visit – workshop in Accra – joint programme with Johnson and Johnson and installation of equipment at Surgi-centre at Asafo.
- 'Considered' Sponsored Recourse Personnel 10.

JUNE 2010 –Inauguration of Surgicentre Sefwi Asafo, Western Region.

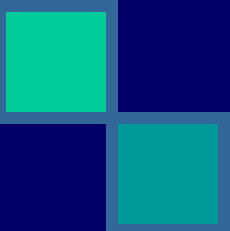

- Educational, mini-workshop.
- Paired Hospitals: a. Sefwi Asafo/Jirapa
b. & Nkawkaw / Koforidua

Team a. Pre-op assessment, patient recovery, wound care, complications of surgery, anaesthetic, managing a day case surgical centre, drug safety and clinical work.

Team B. Lectures NTC, mini-symposium, up-dating of IT network (massive project), Clinical work.

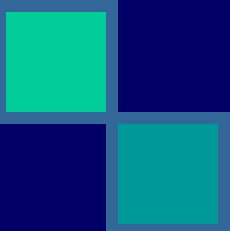



Available Options -June

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- Small team visits Jirapa for ten days
 - Main team stays at Sefwi Asafo for ten days and provide teaching at Pramso.
 - Factors: the harsh conditions in Ghana especially at Jirapa, the gravity of deprivation, lack of materials to implement training.
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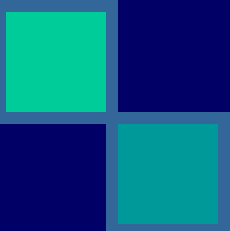

October 2010

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- Educational
 - Main workshop – Physio-rehabilitation /Trauma
 - Paired Hospitals: a. Akosombo/Koforidua
b. Jirapa /Donyina
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Lectures at Nurses Colleges –including Nkawkaw.

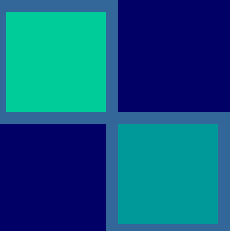



Main Projects

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- Surgical Centre
 - Basic Drug Manufacturing
 - Training Projects for Ghanaian Health Workers in India – starting with three.
 - Nutrition Working For Life in Jirapa
 - Basic Trauma Implant Manufacturing-momentum.
 - Training of midwife for Donyina Maternity Clinic.
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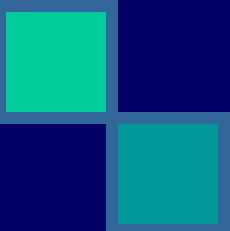



Recommendations 1.

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- Leave situation in UK Political
 - Ghana High Commission's Effort
 - At least two flight options – BA / KLM
 - Hospital and Ministry of Health – mobility.
 - Dedicated lecture time for staff – negotiated
 - Streamlining accreditation ?G.C.P.&S
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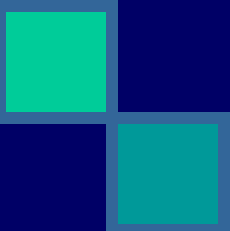



Recommendation 2

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- Trained Dr in ITU care - structured follow up training in the UK in order to make Kumasi a training centre for ITU care.
 - A second Dr Anaesthetist from Kumasi to follow
 - For training in order to consolidate long term objective – period of training 8 weeks.
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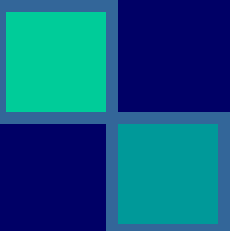



Strategies for the future a)

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- More lectures and workshops at fewer hospitals
 - Less clinical work, fewer visits to Ghana.
 - Emphasis on training at Nurses Colleges
 - Expansion of work – sealed but room for others to join workshops, lectures, symposia.
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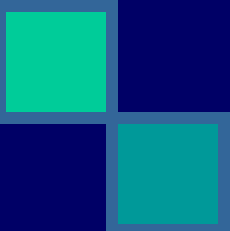



Strategies for the future b)

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- Cut down on travel times in Ghana
 - More educational materials to institutions & Exchange of personnel for training.
 - Collaboration with Ghanaian Professional Organizations like Community Based Societies /Ghana Doctors and Dentist Association – UK / University Students
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Strategies for the future c)

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- Lobby for investment in training and materials in trauma care in Ghana involving both orthopaedic and general Surgeons in Ghana.
 - Conscious effort to mobilise Specialists in the UK to support training and education in Africa.
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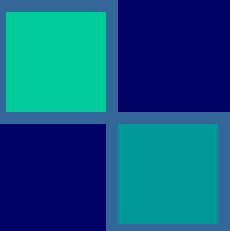


Gratitude 1

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- IOM/MIDA Ghana – Head Office especially Hans and the Office in Ghana – David. The Dutch Government.
 - International Development Company, Dublin.
 - Target Hospitals
 - Recourse Personnel for commitment
 - Volunteers supporting work in U.K.
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Gratitude 2

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- Friends of Motec in Ghana
 - National Catholic Secretariat
 - Ghana High Commission in London
 - British High Commission in Accra
 - West Herts NHS Trust – meeting venues
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