

Supporting training in Ghana

Motec swings into action once again

Motec has been keen to improve peri-operative care of patients in Ghana. In line with the objective, Motec has been supporting the efforts of VRA Hospital to train a conscientious nurse as a physiotherapist.

It was in response to a call by the 'determined nurse' for help with books that a member of Motec did a search and purchased books in UK that were not available in Ghana from the organisations educational Fund for. The books have now been delivered to student Nurse Gertie on behalf of Motec by the Hospital Matron and Administrator supported by senior members of Hospital staff at a brief ceremony at Akosombo.

The educational funds of Motec are generated from public donations from UK and patient based support in Ghana. Mrs Marilyn Goreham of Hemel Hempstead has been a key donor whereas in Ghana, the non-profit high technology surgery by Motec for patients has motivated some patients to donate towards the Funds. Mrs Marian Barnor is among the contributors based in Ghana. Part of the funds will be used to train Jirapa staff in the Nutrition Working for Life Project (NUWLIFE) that aims at rehabilitating malnourished children in one of the poorest districts in sub-Saharan Africa (Upper Western Region of Ghana).

As part of the campaign, Motec supported by the Chief of Jirapa Ansolleh Gaa, is launching an Educational and Fund Raising programme on 7th August in the port city of Tema (Southern Ghana) in support of Jirapa which is about 13 hours drive north of the city. Details of this project are expected to be published on the web site by the project leader Mrs Felicity Adu-Mills soon.

Our gratitude to donors, Hospital Authorities and Motec members especially Georgina and Felicity for supporting the objectives of Motec. It is our hope that Nurse Gertie and others will complete their training and support their local hospitals to improve care of the patients. Motec is aware from 1st year examination results and reports that Nurse Gertie is enjoying her training in spite of a few difficulties. She has already obtained top grades to encourage Motec and Donors to do more for all especially those waiting in the 'wings'.

It is Motec's hope that some form of training for new teachers for the proposed Nurses Training College at Akosombo VRA Hospital can be supported through 'Motec's Training the Trainers campaign'.

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