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Scudder Memorial Hospital

Church of South India - Vellore Diocese

From the Desk of the Medical Superintendent

Greetings to you in the Precious Name of our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Christmas celebration of SMH family began with the Advent Flag Hoisting on 1st December 2022 in the Hospital lawn premises. A Fund raiser was organized for the Hospital Chapel extension that included sales and games. Dr.Arul Ankettel from Hospital Christian Fellowship was invited to hoist the flag and share the Word of God in the Chapel. The staff and students participated whole heartedly in the Fund raiser that generated a seed fund of Rs 8 lakhs for Chapel extension.



The Christmas season was celebrated on the theme **“Fragrance of Christ”**, even as our Lord expects us to spread the aroma of Love and Forgiveness among our fellowmen. The Lord’s presence, wisdom and revelation were evident from the meditations we had during the Christmas season. The fruits of the Spirit and the mindset of our Lord Jesus must be radiated in and through us as Christian believers and followers of our Lord Jesus Christ.

Christmas programs were celebrated in the Hospital Chapel from 8th to 22nd December 2022 with great joy and enthusiasm by various departments.

Our beloved Bishop and Officers of CSI Vellore Diocese participated in the Christmas program organized by the Allied Health Science Unit on 9th December 2022.

God enabled us to relocate the Biochemistry Department to a newly renovated building with larger space and facilities to accommodate the ultra-modern laboratory equipments. The Nalam Deepalaya Trust, Vellore honoured the SMH Community Health Team for their exemplary contribution in conducting free medical camps in the remote villages.

A new SMH Choir has been formed for our regular Praise & Worship services and an official YouTube channel launched for social media coverage of SMH activities.

We Thank and Praise God for His unfailing Love and Amazing Grace, which empowers us to continue His Healing Ministry. We, the SMH family members, earnestly seek your continuous prayers and support to serve Him better.

“But thanks be to God, who always leads us as captives in Christ’s triumphal procession and uses us to spread the aroma of the knowledge of him everywhere. For we are to God the pleasing aroma of Christ among those who are being saved and those who are perishing”. 2 Corinthians 2:14-

In His Mission

(Dr Anbu Suresh Rao)

OUR VISION

“To continue the Healing Ministry of Jesus Christ by providing quality, accessible and affordable health care to all”

OUR MISSION

“To provide holistic health care and education to the people and to build a just and healthy community through Jesus Christ”

Department in Focus – 5 DEPARTMENT OF PAEDIATRICS

The Department of Pediatrics, SMH is committed to treat children from 0 to 15 years of age, approaching our hospital with various ailments.

The Pediatrics Department was started in 1962 by Dr. Frank Lawrance to cater to the children residing in and around the district of Ranipet.



Dr. Suguna Chandrasekar, former Medical Superintendent, SMH was heading the unit till 2012. The Paediatric department currently includes Paediatric Inpatient, Outpatient, 24/7 Emergency services and a Neonatal Unit. Paediatric high dependency unit with 3 beds was started in the year 2013, where critically ill children are treated with high flow oxygen, and noninvasive Ventilation.



Children with ailments from various specialties such as Paediatric Nephrology, Endocrinology, Neurology, Asthma and Development Pediatrics are treated through Outpatient Services and are admitted as Inpatients if required.

On October 7th, 2021, our Paediatric OPD was shifted to a Newly renovated OPD block which includes play area for the Children at the hospital Premises. OPD functions from Monday to Saturday, emergency services are offered 24/7 (Monday to Sunday). Evening OPD has been restarted to function on weekdays from 5:30 pm to 8:30 pm since February 2022. All vaccinations including Optional Vaccine as per IAP Schedule are given to all children (0-15 years) and adolescents.



During ward rounds, case discussions are done at the bedside. Every Tuesday, we have a drug/ vaccine presentation and paper reading by staff and Doctors. Ward prayers are conducted every Thursday to nurture our staff to grow in the Lord.

On the academic part, we conduct Continuing Medical Education (CME) program once a year. CME on Paediatric Asthma was conducted on October 2021, and another CME on Understanding Adolescents was organized on October 2022. Experts from CMC were called as resource persons. In March 2021, Basic Neonatal Resuscitation Program (NRP) was conducted by the faculties from SRMC, Chennai.

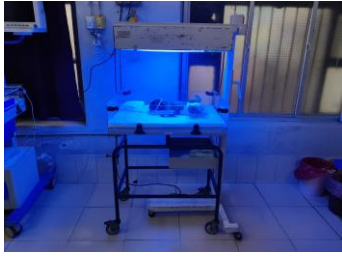


Our Junior Doctors are equipped to do procedures (LP, SPC, IV Cannula) and manage OP and IP patients. School Health Visits are done at regular intervals in the local primary schools. Apart from this, we celebrate world ORS day, World Breastfeeding Week and Children's Day programs to create awareness and also to strengthen our services.



Our Pediatrics family consist of 2 consultants, 2 Junior Medical Officers with a good nursing staff team, who are the backbone of our department. We have empowered our staff by sending them to CMC Vellore, for training on essential New born and Ventilator care. We have bought a new ventilator for Children requiring short-term ventilation

which will be initiated at the earliest.



We offer Level -II Nursery care by providing phototherapy (SLPT, DLPT, Double Surface PT) and essential newborn care to those who are born premature, and with Low Birth Weight and other illnesses related to newborns.

We support our post-natal mothers by giving lactation support and advice on Relactation failure by counselling and teaching them the correct feeding techniques.

We emphasize strictly Baby Friendly Hospital Initiative (BFHI) and address the nutritional and immunization status of every child.

Department Census

October 2021 – October 2022 (New & Repeat)	
Outpatient	11,429
Inpatient	1,701
Emergency	2,357

Future plans:

- To work towards the institution of a DNB program in Pediatrics and established a full-fledged department.
- To expand our services for peripheral community areas.
- To increase our bed strength in the NICU & PICU.

“Children are a heritage from the Lord; offspring a reward from him. “

Psalms - 127:3

NEED FOR THE HOSPITAL CHAPEL EXTENSION



“Now my eyes will be open and my ears attentive to the prayers offered in this place. I have chosen and consecrated this temple so that my Name may be there forever. My eyes and my heart will always be there”. 2 Chronicles 7:15-16

Spiritual Healing is our priority, as it precedes Holistic Health Care. In a Christian Mission hospital, there should be a symbiosis between spiritual life and clinical work. A Christian Mission Hospital is built and run with a strong spiritual foundation. The Scudder

Memorial Hospital has always sought to spread Christ's compassion and love. It is a fact that the founder and most of the Medical Professionals who have served in the Scudder Memorial Hospital were ordained ministers. Since the beginning, Evangelism was considered a priority. Mrs. Muthuvelu served as a Bible Woman between 1921 and 1926. The first women evangelist, Miss Kitty Ebenezer, joined the hospital staff in June 1958.

The Hospital Chapel was dedicated in the year 1961, through the generous donation received from the Scudder family. They sold their property at Kodaikanal and offered the proceeds towards the Chapel construction for the small group of Staff and Students to spend time in Worship & Prayer before and after duty. Daily morning devotion, Friday Chain Prayer, Saturday All Night Prayer, Sunday Evening Service, Weekly Bible Study, Monthly Meetings and Retreats are conducted regularly for the Staff and Students. Several Patients & their visitors also attend the Chapel services and take counselling sessions by the Chaplains. The Preaching, Healing and Teaching Ministry has been carried out by the committed and chosen servants of our Lord for the past 156 years.

The existing Chapel can accommodate only 150 people, but we encompass around 490 Staff Members, 430 Nursing Students and 250 Allied Health Science Students in the Hospital. It's our long-time prayer and need of the hour to extend the chapel building for praising and worshiping our Lord as one family.

The Management of SMH is always grateful and thankful to all those who pray, support and encourage us to continue the healing ministry. We earnestly appeal to you to contribute generously for the Chapel Extension.

“Give and it will be given back to you”

Let our Lord Jesus Christ's Kingdom be Built & His Name be Glorified

SMH Happenings – News & Events

• Patient safety week was celebrated with the theme **“MEDICATION WITHOUT HARM”**. Under the direction of Patient Safety Officer, Mrs. Suganthi J, Nursing Superintendent, the Quality and Safety office members conducted Role play, Poster and Quiz competitions. Winners of the Poster competition were Mr. Johny (1st Prize), Mrs. Beulah Anand (2nd Prize) and Ms. Amy (3rd Prize). Winners of the Role play were nurses from SSS Ward, Casualty, EI Ward and OPD. Winners of the Quiz competition were nurses from EII Ward, SSS Ward, EI ward and Physician Assistants.



The Best Medication Documentation award was given to the Department of Medicine and The Best Medication Management award was given to Ida Scudder ward. Various events for House Keeping department were conducted and awards were given for Blood Spillage management to Mr. Prabananthan, Hand hygiene measures to Mrs. Mahalakshmi and Bio medical waste management to Mrs. Yesumani. Dr. Rup Solomon, Deputy Medical Superintendent was the guest speaker for valedictory function and Mrs. Suganthi J, Nursing Superintendent uttered the pledge on Medication Safety.

• The International Day of Radiology is celebrated on NOVEMBER 8th of each year to promote the role of Medical Imaging in Modern Healthcare. The Department of Radiology, SMH celebrated the day by sharing the Awareness of Radiation under the theme **"YOUR SAFETY IS OUR PRIORITY"**



- A One day staff retreat was conducted on 19th November 2022. All the faculty and staff of School/Scudder College of Nursing took part in the program.

- On December 9th 2022, II-year GNM and IV-year B.Sc.(N) students attended the “Photos & Digital Exhibition” on Welfare Schemes & Unsung Heroes of Freedom Struggle conducted by Central Bureau of Communication, Vellore and Ministry of Information and Broadcasting, Government of India. Ms. N Ammu, II year GNM and Ms. Nitheeswari, IV year B.Sc.(N) received prizes from the Chief Guest of the event- Shri. D Baskarapandian IAS, Ranipet District Collector. Mr. Newton Paul Singh, Professor & Mrs. Poonthalir, Asst. Professor of SCON and Mrs. Angel Vincy, Tutor of SON attended the Program.



- Mrs. Asha Noble, Principal (SON) and Mrs. S Nithyakamalam, Vice-Principal (SON) attended the XXVII conference of Trained Nurses Association of India, Tamil Nadu state branch in Omayal Achi CON, Chennai with the theme “Invest in Nursing for Global Health” on December 10th 2022.

- Our Clinical Biochemistry Lab was relocated to an expanded state of the art facility, which was inaugurated on 10th December 2022 by our beloved Medical Superintendent. Our fully computerized laboratory is barcoded, interfaced with automations and functions round the clock with a faster turnaround time and strict quality control measures. The Department of Clinical Biochemistry aims at acquiring national accreditation in quality laboratory testing, which will be the 1st of its kind in Ranipet district.



- On behalf of Christian Endeavour (CE) Union, Christmas Program was celebrated in Shanthi Gramam Village near Karigiri on December 10th 2022. GNM 2nd year students and B.Sc. (N) 4th year students participated in the event headed by Ms. Preethi Padma faculty in-charge of CE.



- In view of the World Diabetic day, various awareness programs for public and competitions for staff and students were organized from 1st to 15th Nov 2022. Diabetic Diet exhibition was one of the highlights of the event.



Community Outreach Activities

Scudder Memorial Hospital, Ranipet has been successfully running the Community outreach Program, to meet the needs of our community as a part of our commitment towards social development.

Our prime community areas of focus are Arcot, Paradharamy and Thamaraiakkam.

We have started Home Care Nursing which includes Wound Dressing, Physiotherapy, Chest physiotherapy, Catheter care,



sponge bath and hair wash. Currently we provide services in Arcot, Kalavai, Kaveripakkam, Ranipet, Thimiri and Avarakarai, which will be expanded in future.

The Home Care Nursing team that includes Nursing staff and Orthopedic Technicians have visited about 40 homes over the past 50 days.

Community camps were held in 16 villages over the past 2 months which consisted of General Medicine, Opthal, Dental, Diabetic and Cardiac Specialties. A total of 1,262 patients were benefitted through the Community Outreach Programs.

SMH FAMILY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION -2022

“SPREADING THE FRAGRANCE OF CHRIST”



SMH FAMILY CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION -2022



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NURSING COLLEGE



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ADVENT FLAG HOISTING



ADMINISTRATIVE STAFF



PARA CLINICAL STAFF



PHARMACY, DRUGSTORES & GENERAL STORES



NURSING SERVICES



RADIOLOGY



SUPPORT SERVICES



RPT - COMMISSIONER



NURSING - WARD CAROLS



HOUSEKEEPING



MEDICAL RECORDS

The Department of Human Resource Management & Development

NEW RECRUIT ON BOARD:

On behalf of the SMH family, we extend our warmest welcome to the new joinee, **Dr. Spurthy**, who has joined our institution as a Consultant Microbiologist after pursuing her M.D. (Microbiology) in Kaloji Narayana Rao University in Telangana.

RETIREMENT:

Mrs. Prabavathy joined as a staff nurse on 23.02.1998 and retired on 26.12.2022 after nearly 24 years of service in SMH. She is an alumna of Scudder School of Nursing and worked at SMH till 1988. She then worked at CMC for a couple of years and later went to work in Saudi Arabia for a few years. She rejoined SMH in 1998 and worked in various wards/units including CSSD. Her daughter has finished her B. Sc. Nursing and is now working in Saudi Arabia. The SMH family wishes her a happy retired life.



SITUATIONS VACANT:

- **Anesthesiologist** - M.D. Anesthesiology / DNB / Diploma Anesthesia
- **General Surgeon** - MS General Surgery / DNB General Surgery
- **Pediatrician** - MD Pediatrics / DNB pediatrics / DCH
- **Neurosurgeon** - MCH/DNB Neurosurgery
- **Cardiologist** - DM /DNB Cardiology
- **Emergency Physician** - MD Emergency Medicine / DNB Emergency Medicine
- **Pulmonologist** - MD Pulmonary Medicine / DNB – Respiratory Medicine
- **Staff Nurse** - ANM / GNM (**Age Limit: 35yrs**)

Application with copy of qualification certificates to be sent to -

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