

NEWSLETTER

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In this edition we present

Chairman and CEO messages for December 2011

Primary Trauma Care in Kenya: Nanyuki course

Chairman's Message

We are at the end of a very active year of development for PTCF.

Our Founder Chairman Douglas Wilkinson has led us to our present position as a world leader in training medical professionals in the developing world in the management of severe injury. Douglas has taken a well earned retirement from Chairmanship to follow a less time consuming role, concentrating exclusively on our work in China.

An important Trustees decision was to engage Charles Clayton who has an outstanding background in charity management and governance on a part time basis as a professional Chief Executive.

Douglas introduced Charles to PTCF so that we can take a quantum leap as an international organisation bringing benefits to a larger number of people. I am much indebted to him for his guidance on business matters and specifically with the appointment of a newly elected Board of Trustees and Council led by Saeed Minhas.

The Asia Regional Summit in Kathmandu was a great success and provided me with an opportunity to meet PTC leaders face to face. I look forward to meeting more new faces next year.

Congratulations to all PTCF World participants for their achievements. Your commitment, enthusiasm and humanity are outstanding.

With my best wishes and Seasons greetings for our festival and yours to come.

Roy Fenner

CEO's Message

Warmest greetings to everyone in the PTC world!

2011 has been a year of change and growth, with new courses starting in South and Central America, East Africa, the Middle East, South Asia, East Asia and several provinces of China. A very big THANK YOU to all of you who have dedicated your time and experience in order to make these courses a success.

In 2012 the international Council will be updating our training materials and considering other strategic developments worldwide. We hope to revive some "dormant" countries and, depending on a possible financial grant, we will significantly expand our work in Africa.

Looking even further ahead, our colleagues in China have offered to host a worldwide conference in 2013. Although this may seem a long way off, we will make plans as early as possible and hope that friends will be able to join us from every country where PTC works.

Wishing you refreshing holidays and a productive year ahead.

Charles Clayton
Chief Executive

PTC COURSE REPORT NANYUKI-KENYA 20th – 21st OCTOBER 2011

PREAMBLE

Nanyuki district hospital (NDH) is located in the Mount Kenya region of Kenya and serves Laikipia and surrounding counties with a total population of about 450,000 people. Trauma in this population is quite common mainly from road traffic accidents, falls from heights, sports injuries, animal inflicted injuries and burns.

The first PTC course held in Kenya was held in Nanyuki on 17th & 18th October 2011 followed by a one day instructor's course on 19th October; these were facilitated by South African and UK instructors who trained the local instructors, to then conduct their first course on 20th and 21st October. The details of the course and the participants are outlined below.

SUPPORT

This pioneer PTC course was only possible due to the generous support of partners since NDH is a Government hospital with limited funding. The Kenya Orthopedic Project supported by UK charity MEAK, 3 Local large scale farms, and a local church.

PURPOSE

The course was undertaken to fill a gap in the current management of trauma patients at NDH. There was a palpable anticipation among the hospital staff in the weeks preceding the course, and the subscription for the course was far more than the course could accommodate. This training will definitely improve trauma patient care in NDH and eventually in our entire region.

The instructors who had just completed the instructor's training were conducting their first course under observation by the very experienced team of facilitators from South Africa.

FACILITATORS

Dr. David Oloruntoba - Orthopaedic Surgeon/
PTC Instructor - South Africa

Dr. Howard Joe Kingu – General Surgeon/
PTC Instructor – South Africa

Dr. Shrivastava C.P. – Consultant
Anaesthesiologist /PTC Instructor – South Africa



L-R Dr. Kingu (facilitator), Dr. Ohas, Mr. Mochama, Mr. Okiro, Dr. Mathenge, Mr. Enock, Dr. Shrivastava (facilitator), Dr. Mnyapara, Dr. Ndanya (others are the newly trained instructors). Dr. Oloruntoba took the picture

INSTRUCTORS

Daniel Kassoo

Clinical Officer - Nanyuki District Hospital

Dr. Joseph Karimi

Medical Officer - Nanyuki District Hospital

George Mochama

Clinical Officer - Nanyuki District Hospital

Dr. Jane Mnyapara

Medical Officer - Tigania Mission Hospital

Dr. Ohas Josephine

Medical Officer - Nanyuki District Hospital

Daniel Okiro

Clinical Officer - Finlays Farm Clinic

Dr. Mathenge Nduhiu

General Surgeon - Nanyuki District Hospital

Dr. Samuel Ndanya

Orthopaedic Surgeon - Embu Provincial Hospital

THE PARTICIPANTS

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Clinical Officer - Nanyuki District Hospital

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Clinical Officer - Nanyuki District Hospital

Margret Kanyoko

Clinical Officer - Nanyuki District Hospital

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Nursing Officer - Nanyuki District Hospital

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Clinical Officer - Huruma Health Centre

Purity Mwenda

Nursing Officer - Likii Farm Clinic

John Ngaruiya

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Dr. Isiah Ndiang'ui

Medical Officer - Finlays Farm Clinic

Everlyn Gakii

Nursing Officer - Matanya Health Centre

Alice Mumbi

Nursing Officer - Cottage Hospital



Certificate presentation



First day course participants



Demonstration scenario

SUMMARY

The course was greatly appreciated by all the participants. The provincial director of medical services (Dr. Osore) identified another hospital – Narok District Hospital which was receiving an increased number of accident victims after the completion of a highway to the town, as urgently requiring PTC training.



Second day course participants