

Primary Trauma Care course, Vanuatu 2015

Title: PTC Course Vanuatu

Venue: Vanuatu Health Training Institute, Northern Provincial Hospital, Santo

Date: 1st December 2015

1. Introduction

Primary trauma care was first taught in Vanuatu in 2009. This is the 5th course to be run in Vanuatu and is the first course to be solely funded by Ministry of Health in Vanuatu with only local instructors.

PTC courses are aligned with the Ministry of Health's strategic plan to provide safe and appropriate care in all areas in Vanuatu and to strengthen clinical services through local capacity building. PTC courses are an essential training as part of the disaster risk management approach for all Ministry of Health personnel.

1.1 Participants

This course was aimed at training and capacity building for ward nurses at Northern Provincial Hospital and the attendance on Day one included:

1. Jivi Isaac, Registered Nurse, Medical ward
2. Pascaline Viso, Registered Nurse, Operating Theatre
3. Tzania Wilbur, Registered Nurse, Surgical ward
4. Chrisilla Tavue, Registered Nurse, Accident and Emergency
5. Roslyn Tavi, Registered Nurse, Maternity ward
6. Veronique Roy, Registered Nurse, Operating Theatre
7. Jack Viso, Registered Nurses, Surgical ward
8. Rowan Berger, Paramedic, NPH Emergency services training officer

1.2 Instructors

The instructor for the course were:

1. Dr Graziela Tildena Mandavah, Consultant Anesthetist, VCH
2. Dr Christian Leepo, Consultant Anesthetist, NPH
3. Dr Andy Ilo, Medical Superintendent, NPH
4. Dr Basil Leodoro, Consultant Surgeon, NPH

2. Day 1 - December 1, 2015

The course commenced after half an hour's delay due to one of the instructors needing to complete ward rounds before attending the course. The course started at 8:55am.

2.1 MCQ summary and results

Questions 5, 6, 10, 11, 15 and 18 were the most commonly incorrectly answered questions. These were more detailed questions that posed scenarios instead of testing core knowledge.

Q. 20 was answered correctly by all participants and Q's 3, 7, 19 which tested core knowledge; were the least incorrectly answered questions.

Name	MCQ results
Rowan Berger	
Tzania Wilber	
Pascalina Viso	
Chrisilla Tavue	
Jivi Isaac	
Jack Viso	
Veronique Roy	
Rolsynn Tavi	

2.2 Scenarios

Due to adequate numbers, the demonstration scenarios were run with only two groups using scenario 2. The scenario practice was done in two groups as well with each group taking turns at performing and observing the scenario. Scenarios 1, 4 and 11 were used for the practice scenario.

3. Day 2 - 2 December 2015

Day 2 remained uneventful and was happily managed by Dr's Tildena and Christian. There was ample time for discussion during the MCQ reviews. The scenarios were handled well with each group presenting their discussion points which generated good ideas and discussion.

Certificates were received, printed and signed in time for the closing and a short handing over ceremony was done for participants and instructors.

4. Recommendations

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4.1 Resume PTC courses in Vanuatu with two planned for this year. One in Santo and one in Vila

4.2 Arrange for PTC Vanuatu team to assist Tuvalu team seeing as Dr Christian Leepo is permanently based in Vanuatu until December 2016. He will need locum cover if he is to be released to attend PTC in Tuvalu.

4.3 Run an extra PTC for all Interns (there are 18 interns this year and 10 interns next year).

5. Summary of Participant Feedback

Participants feedback was generally good with a few suggestions on improvement based on catering and having more time for practical sessions. Otherwise, it was a relevant and satisfactory course for all participants

6. Acknowledgements

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