JAMAICA MISSIONS USA INC.

To: The Ministry of Health, Government of Jamaica

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Subject: Final Report on the Successful Implementation of the JMUSA Health Fair in St. Elizabeth Parish (February 7–February 15, 2025)

The Jamaica Missions USA (JMUSA) Health Fair was held in St. Elizabeth Parish, Jamaica, from February 7 to February 15, 2025. This event, conducted in partnership with the Jamaican Ministry of Health and the St. Elizabeth Public Health Department, successfully provided medical and dental care to local Jamaicans in a Christian setting. The fair aimed to address the health needs of the community while also fostering spiritual well-being through the integration of prayer and healthcare services.

Objectives:

- To provide basic dental and healthcare care to the local population.
- To offer free medical treatment and medication for both acute and chronic health conditions.
- To address the healthcare needs of the children and adults in the St. Elizabeth region.
- To foster collaboration between Jamaican health leaders and JMUSA personnel.

Health Centers Served:
The medical team operated in five primary health centers across St. Elizabeth Parish:

- Springfield
- Elderslie
- Ginger Hill
- Portsea
- Malverrn
- Aberdeen

Personnel Overview:
A dedicated team of 22 individuals participated in the health fair, comprising:

- 13 Medical Team Members
- 9 Dental Team Members

Patient Overview:
A total of **518** Jamaicans were treated during the fair, with **67 children** and **451 adults** receiving both medical and dental care. From the medical side, the diagnoses encompassed a wide range of medical conditions, including but not limited to:

- Hypertension
- Diabetes Mellitus
- Arthritis
- Asthma
- Congestive Heart Failure
- Sinusitis
- Cough and Cold
- Urinary Tract Infection
- Anemia
- Eczema
- Cataracts
- Heart Disease

- Erectile Dysfunction
- Vaginal Infection
- Gout

Additionally, **23 steroid knee injections** were administered, one abscess I & D procedure was performed, and several well-baby examinations were conducted.

The dental team all together extracted **447 teeth**. All patients were given lidocaine anesthetic prior and non-narcotic pain medication following the procedure, along with post op instructions.

Treatment Protocol:
Each day, patients began by attending a brief church service, after which they were evaluated by both the medical and dental team. Following evaluation, diagnoses were made, and treatment plans were advised. For many, **medications** were dispensed from the JMUSA pharmacy, free of charge. Prescriptions for ongoing treatment were provided where necessary, and **referrals** were made to local healthcare providers for follow-up.

Medications and Pharmacy Details:
The medications provided during the fair were sourced from multiple suppliers:
- MAP International (Georgia, USA)
- Costco
- Local Jamaican pharmacies and pharmaceutical outlets

In total, **959 prescriptions** were filled during the course of the health fair.

Health Fair Statistical Summary:

Medical Team Patient Statistics (General Medical & General Surgery):

Day	Adult Patients	Children Patients	Total Patients
Mon	51	8	59
Tues	41	8	49
Wed	56	13	69
Thurs	37	9	46
Fri	33	10	43
Grand Total	**218**	**48**	**266**

Prescription Statistics:

Day	Prescriptions Filled
Mon	184
Tues	167
Wed	259
Thurs	205
Fri	144
Grand Total	**959**

Dental Team Patient Statistics (Adult and Children Patients):

Day	Adult Patients	Children Patients	Extractions
Mon	52	0	91
Tues	55	6	98
Wed	54	8	105
Thurs	59	2	127
Fri	13	3	26
Grand Total	**233**	**19**	**447**

Conclusion:

The JMUSA Health Fair in St. Elizabeth Parish was a resounding success, providing valuable medical and dental services to local Jamaicans. Through the combined efforts of the Jamaican Ministry of Health, the St. Elizabeth Public Health Department, and the JMUSA team, over **518 patients** received treatment, and **959 prescriptions** were filled. The event not only addressed immediate healthcare needs but also highlighted the importance of continued collaboration between local and international health organizations.

While the fair achieved its primary goals, several suggestions were made to enhance future events. These suggestions included providing **more educational outreach** to the community, expanding the duration of the health fair from one week to **two weeks** to accommodate more patients, and considering the **injection of additional joints** (such as the shoulders) for pain management, alongside the steroid knee injections already offered.

The success of this fair demonstrates the power of Christian-based health initiatives and the potential for continued partnerships to improve healthcare accessibility and delivery in Jamaica. We are eager to incorporate these valuable suggestions into future efforts to further enhance the quality and reach of the services we provide.

Acknowledgments:

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We look forward to future opportunities for collaboration in continuing to meet the healthcare needs of the Jamaican people.