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MONTHLY PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR JULY 2023
PERFORMANCE AGAINST THE PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF JULY 2023
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PLANNED ACTIVITY	TARGET	ACHIEVEMENT	LESSONS LEARNT, COMMENT, CHALLENGES AND WAY FORWARD
Outreach clinics	Two outreach clinics	The beneficiaries of the outreach programmes have continued to register improvement in their health and productivity as a result of having access to medication. This has helped cut their expenses on these products hence improving on the household incomes. As a result of the outreach programmes, service delivery to children with multiple disabilities has been improved. During the Busede outreach, seven new clients were registered and three of whom were from the neighbouring districts of Luuka and Mayuge	Some of the clients have reported slight negative effects of the medication as a result of none compliance to the prescriptions such as inconsistency in uptake and either over dose or under dose which calls for constant follow up of the beneficiaries especially those newly registered.
Centre clinic	One centre Clinic	During the centre clinic five new cases were registered and these	Some of the beneficiaries still

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		were all subjected to counselling and guidance prior to accessing the required medication. This is always aimed at preparing them to face the challenges that come along with understanding their conditions and the likely effects of the medication both the positive and negative. They are also prepared on how to manage and live in the community.	report on issues of discrimination in the community as a result of their conditions and this is to be followed up and managed to avoid further occurrence.
General health/medication	Twenty Children	As a result of following the set control measures for malaria prevention among the children, there has been a reduction in the number of malaria cases registered among and all these have been effectively managed. 19 children were treated with malaria while 11 children presented other infections such as cough and flue. Currently all conditions have been managed and the children are in stable health while those who haven't accomplished their treatment are also stabilising.	Given the fact that the children can't easily communicate when they are ill, care sicknesses that could be easily controlled before spreading to others are detected at a later stage which prolongs the healing process of the children. All persons in contact with the children should therefore need to report any changes detected among the children for quick response.
Medical reviews	Four children.	Three children with spine bifida and one with hydrocephalus were taken for medical review at Cure children's hospital and they were all in good condition and	All responsible staff are to follow the new set procedures by the medical team to avoid short comings.

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		are responding well to the treatment that was previously recommended.	
Referral	None	One child was referred to Nalufenya children’s hospital for further management. At the point of referral, Daniels condition was worrying and very critical since he was not responding to medication however, this was managed and he is steadily recovering. Daniel is now under special diet to boost his immunity having been ill for a prolonged period and this service/product is only offered by the Children’s Hospital.	Upon full recovery, Daniel shall be monitored and all the review dates shall be observed as shall be directed the medical personnel. Daniel’s medical condition is also attributed to the teething process he is undergoing which caused excessive loss of body fluids and apatite.
Daily/routine medication	Forty one children	During the period under review, there was no seizure case registered among the children undertaking daily medication as a result of continued timely daily medication schedules followed by both the care givers and other stake holders. This has helped reduce on the risks of emergencies and other expenses of managing the children during the attacks.	Once enrolled on daily medication, the children have to be subjected to this routine for the rest of their lives hence calling for constant monitoring and sensitisation of the care givers by other supervisory staff such as the medical and social team to avoid any short comings resulting from poor drug compliancy.

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<p>Procurement of medical appliances/equipment</p>	<p>Assorted items</p>	<p>In the bid to improve on service delivery to the beneficiaries of the various programmes of the organisation through the medical facility, we were able to procure medical equipment such as the Hb Electrophoresis machine, Clinical Chemistry analyser machine, Blood bank refrigerator and in the desire to beef up the security of the facility, CCTV cameras were installed in strategic areas.</p>	<p>Availing such equipment does not only improve access to but also helps minimise the challenges and risks that both the children and the community undergo/get exposed to during the process of searching for the services.</p>
<p>In house therapy</p>	<p>All children</p>	<p>Much as there are specific children subjected to therapy sessions, all the resident children were engaged in the various therapy drills conducted at the home ranging from physio, occupational therapy and other team and body building activities. As a result, some of the children have been able to strengthen their daily living skills and also improve on their mobility skills for independent living.</p>	<p>The children are to be regularly assessed to identify areas that need to be improved upon while introducing more daily living skills.</p> <p>Emphasis is to be put on the use of locally available resources to develop more therapy materials.</p>
<p>Home based activities</p>	<p>Team building</p>	<p>Besides other regular programme activities, Home of Hope children and staff are always engaged in a variety of activities ranging from indoor and outdoor games, self – reliance activities such as skills development. Through activities</p>	<p>More engagements should be conducted both within and outside the home especially for children to explore more of their potential and</p>

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		<p>such as community walks the children have also been able to engage freely with the neighbouring community members which has helped build a bond and sense of belonging to the children.</p> <p>Staff members also participated in aerobics aimed at improving their fitness.</p>	<p>capabilities.</p> <p>As a result of the routine exercises, there has been a reduction in the number of staff reporting body complications.</p>
Child development	All children	<p>With the participation of all staff members in the implementation of the care plans developed for every child, specific strategies have been put in place to ensure that all children develop the various capabilities they require for their day to day living and these are being implemented and well monitored to assess progress. This has help oversee the engagement of all children in different fields such as play, art and crafts, music, dance, drama and other domestic and personal hygiene work.</p>	<p>Immediate changes/improvements may not be realised but there are signs of changes among the various children and if more time is given to them to implement the strategies, positive results will be registered in a long run.</p>
Drop in clinics	4 clinics	<p>Four drop in clinics were conducted and three new clients were registered during the period under review. In the bid to strengthen the relationship among care givers and also</p>	<p>Such sessions enable care givers find own solutions to their problems and also develop strategies of reducing the</p>

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		share personal experiences and life stories one drop in clinic is dedicated to care givers by holding a joint therapy session for all participants of the drop in clinic.	challenges that they come across
Home visits	Three home visits	Home visits were conducted as a follow up on some of the previously agreed action points with the clients under the various programmes of the organisation ranging from the outreach clinics, referrals, drop in clinics and the centre clinics. A total of 9 households were visited and among them was following up on Emma who had been referred to Nalufenya children’s hospital for nutritional management. Emma was discharged and has greatly improved. Other households were also equipped with various skills such as home improvement, enhancing household incomes and therapy techniques among others.	Emma is to be taken for review periodically however, the family is challenged with lack of transportation costs which is most likely to affect the review schedules. There is need for Home of Hope to support the family meet some of the transport costs. More households are to be encouraged to use the locally available resources to improvise the necessary therapy materials required for their children’s betterment.

There have been cases of discrimination in community reported as

Prayer points

- Good health of all the children and staff at the home.
- Pray for perfect health for all the children and staff at the home.
- Pray for expansion of the medical facility

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- *Pray for the establishment of learning institute for Physio therapists and Occupational therapists*
- *Pray for establishment of a special needs school*
- *Pray for the construction of a bore hole as an alternative for the high water bills*
- *Pray for acquisition of specialised therapy equipment*
- *Pray for the furnishing of the guest wing*
- *Pray for more provision in abundance at the home to be able to meet all home needs*
- *Pray for the establishment of more income generating activities within the home for sustainability*

Conclusion

*Home Of Hope Jinja Uganda through the dedicated staff strives hard to provide a good and healthy environment to children with multiple disabilities who happen to be the most vulnerable species of mankind and grate thanks and gratitude be given to the team. However, this would not be made possible without the support and love of all those who sacrifice their funds and time to solicit for the wellbeing of these children. **MAY GOD BLESS YOU ALL.***

Pictorial



Figure 1: During the outreach clinics community members are sensitised on various issues and are also given the opportunity to raise their concerns. Above, Jessica an Intern responding to community issues during the outreach clinic in Busede

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Figure 2: both new and old clients receive counselling during the outreach clinics. Above Jessica counsels some of the clients in Busede.



Figure 3: Care givers are always committed to the good health of their children and therefore ensure that they turn up for the Centre clinics and also share with staff on all developments the children undergo as a result of continued uptake of the medication. Above are some of the participants of the Centre clinic in the month of July.

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Figure 4: Establishment of Derrick and Emily Memorial Medical Centre has played a key role in providing access to medical services by Home of Hope children. Above is Rebecca a medical staff monitoring Daniel at the health facility before he was referred for further management. Daniel is now out of danger though still receiving specialised treatment at Nalufenya Children's Hospital.



Figure 5: Emma before being referred for nutritional treatment.

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Figure 6: Emma can now afford a smile after receiving nutritional treatment from Nalufenya Children's Hospital where they were referred by Home of Hope. Their entire stay at the Hospital was facilitated by Home of Hope Jinja Uganda.

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Figure 7: Derrick and Emily Laboratory team trying out some of the new appliances that have been procured during the month of July. These include a Blood Bank refrigerator, Hb Electrophoresis machine and a Clinical Chemistry analyser.



Figure 8: Regular participation in the drop in clinics and adhering to instructions by the care givers plays a great role in enhancing the capabilities of the children. Above is Abudu undergoing a therapy session with Hafusa the Home of Hope Physiotherapist during one of the drop in clinics while looking on with all smiles is Abudu's mother. Seeing your child transform from one stage to the other always brings hope and trust to the care givers.

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Figure 9: Knowing that regular therapy helps their children develop mobility and daily living skills, care givers never give up reporting for the drop in clinics in spite of all the challenges they undergo.

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