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MONTHLY PERFORMANCE REPORT FOR MAY 2024
PERFORMANCE AGAINST THE PLANNED ACTIVITIES FOR THE MONTH OF MAY 2024
6TH JUNE 2024

PLANNED ACTIVITY	TARGET	ACHIEVEMENT	LESSONS LEARNT, COMMENT, CHALLENGES AND WAY FORWARD
Medical review	4 children	<p>Four children with hydrocephalus were taken for medical review and are currently in stable condition with no complications developed since the previous review date following adherence to the set precautions by the medical personnel. New review dates were set and all concerned staff are to monitor the progress of the children.</p> <p>Two children undergoing skin treatment were also taken for medical review and following nonresponse to the previous medication, the treatment was changed and there has been improvement in their condition</p>	All review dates are to be observed and all staff members are to abide by the set conditions by the medical team.
Referral	None	During the drop-in clinics, a total of four children were referred for further management. Two of the children were referred for nutritional support in Nalufenya Children's Hospital due to malnutrition, while two were referred for orthopaedic services with a partner organisation and the therapy team recommended that AFOs as an assistive devise to foster her mobility capabilities.	Follow-up on the referred children should be made to ascertain their wellbeing. The referred children can't be subjected to therapy till they recover from their current state

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<p>Routine medication</p>	<p>42 children</p>	<p>Due to various conditions that have subjected the children to daily medication 42 resident children received timely medication to manage their various health conditions and this has kept them steady. As a result of continued and timely uptake of the medication, there has been a reduction in the occurrence of the side effects caused by non-compliance to the medical procedures set by the medical team.</p>	<p>All responsible staff members are urged to keep consistence on the set precautions to avoid short comings and continued attacks on the children.</p>
<p>General medication</p>	<p>32 children</p>	<p>Compared to the previous month, there has been a reduction in the number of children treated of illnesses. A total of 29 children were effectively managed and these were mostly suffering from respiratory illnesses whose transmission can be by contact with the infected person and a few malaria cases were registered. While some of the children have fully recovered, others are still undergoing medication but with positive response registered.</p>	<p>Care givers to take the necessary precautions to minimise further infections especially those caused by contact with the infected persons.</p>
<p>Centre clinic</p>	<p>1 centre</p>	<p>1 Centre clinic was conducted during the month under review and there was an increase in the turn up of the beneficiaries with more clients participating as individuals rather than delegating others and this enabled the team to closely interact with the clients and develop treatment plans based on the client's situation.</p> <p>During the clinic, beneficiaries were also able to receive other services such as psycho social support, counselling and guidance while others were also referred</p>	<p>Some of the beneficiaries lack consistence in turn up while others are challenged with lack of drug compliance which has caused short comings in their response to the medication.</p> <p>Some of the beneficiaries especially the new ones need time to be prepared psychologically to accept their conditions and learn</p>

		to other service providers based on their needs.	how to cope with the entire community that they live in.
Outreach clinics	2 outreach clinics	<p>2 outreach clinics were conducted during the month under review and a total of 6 new clients were registered to receive medication for epilepsy and sickle cells while 2 new clients were registered in the therapy section. During the outreach clinics we get the opportunity to sensitise communities on disability related issues and also engage other stake holders in the various communities to develop strategies aimed at enhancing the wellbeing of person with disabilities.</p> <p>Beneficiaries also get the opportunity to ask questions and find possible solutions and measures of overcoming them.</p>	<p>Some of the therapy clients are inconsistent in attendance which causes a fall back in the children's progress and response to the therapy though some of the care givers blame this on the poor road network, high costs of transport and commitment to farm work which is their major source of income.</p> <p>The community mobilisers need to always remind the beneficiaries on the dates especially for the therapy section because some turn up on wrong dates of the outreach</p>
Drop in clinics	8 clinics	<p>9 drop in clinics were conducted and 9 new clients were registered during the clinics. All new clients were taken through their expectations from the programme and having done assessment of the children, the team was able to prepare the clients on how to manage the conditions of their children and this also gave an opportunity them to clear all the myths on the nature of disability of their children.</p>	<p>Some of the beneficiaries need assistive devices to enhance their capabilities but these are out of stock and need to be availed.</p> <p>The new clients need to be visited to assess their social setting and wellbeing of the children.</p>
Education	All school going children	<p>During the holidays, all children were engaged in accomplishing their holiday packages and were also engaged in the skilling class which helped them build their capabilities in other non-curriculum skills. However, with the start of the second term of the school programme, all</p>	<p>There are upcoming visitation dates set by the various schools and these need to be attended since they give the opportunity to interact with the teaching</p>

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		<p>the school going children were able to report and resume studies normally. While accomplishing the holiday packages, the children were supported by other staff members to achieve their target.</p> <p>Having accomplished her vocational studies, we were able to secure employment for Kasakya Amina (Deaf Child) who has been under the care of the Home throughout her life. This is a move aimed at transforming her to independent living and self-reliance.</p>	<p>staff on the progress of the children.</p> <p>Working together with fellow deaf to serve communities gives Amina a sense of belonging and acceptance and also builds her confidence.</p>
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Prayer points

- *Good health of all the children and staff at the home.*
- *Expansion of the Therapy section*
- *Establishment of a maternity wing at the health facility*
- *Procurement of more assistive devices and equipment such as wheel chairs.*
- *Renovation of the old Home of Hope building*
- *Construction of supported homes for transition of the young adults*
- *Provision for the procurement of more outreach and centre clinic medication whose prices have escalated yet the beneficiaries have increased.*
- *Establishment of a special needs school.*

Conclusion

*On behalf of the children, staff and administration of Home of Hope Jinja Uganda, I take this opportunity to thank all those who have supported us in one way or the other to ensure that we achieve and meet our goals. I would also request all those capable and willing to support our cause to join us in the struggle we are in to promote the rights of children and persons with disabilities and ensure that they have a befitting life just like any other person in the community. With your support, we have been able to achieve beyond our expectations. **“BE BLESSED”***

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Pictorial



Figure 1: Much as there has been price fluctuations of drugs in the market, the number of beneficiaries from the Centre clinic has kept on growing. This is attributed to the testimonies of improvement in the condition of patients due to access to the medication. Above is Social Worker Steven educating beneficiaries of the programme before receiving medication during the month of May 2024



Figure 2: During the outreach clinics new clients are prepared to cope with the fact that their condition is a permanent situation and also prepared to overcome the challenges they meet in the community due to their condition. Above is Stephen sharing with new clients during the Buwenge outreach in May 2024.

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Figure 3: Consistency in uptake of the medication reduces the risks of attacks among patients and attending the outreach clinics in person helps the clients share with the medical team on their condition and also forge a way forward.



Figure 4: Our Outreach clinics give an opportunity to people in the hard to reach areas have access to free therapy sessions and also get equipped with therapy techniques which they apply on the children while at home. Above is Home of Hope Therapist Alex applying therapy on one of the beneficiaries as the care givers look on.

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Figure 5: During the outreach clinics community members get the opportunity to ask questions about key issues that they go through. Above is Social Worker Sharifa (standing in black) responding to some of the issues raised by the community members during the outreach in Busede Sub County in the month of May 2024.



Figure 6: Damulira Shafa was brought by the Care giver for the Drop-in clinic for the 1st time however, due to his malnourished state, he was referred to Nalufenya Children's Hospital for Nutritional support. Home of Hope is to support them while at the health facility

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Figure 7: Trinity Muwanguzi's parent shares a little Joy with the Therapist Alex, having noticed some changes in her condition due to continued Therapy services. This was during one of the drop in clinics in May 2024



Figure 8: New clients of the drop in clinic have to be counselled and prepared psychologically by the social team. Social Worker Sharifa has a one on one with a new client of the drop in clinic in May 2024

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Figure 9: On arrival for the drop in clinic, Lukwago Ashim was floppy and could not sit without support but due to continued Therapy, Ashim is now able to sit without support and also reach out for nearby objects. Looking on with a smile (having a veil on the head) is his mother.



Figure 10: After a peaceful holiday, our children were able to report for the second term in school this month.

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Figure 11: Having accomplished her vocational training, Amina (deaf) is now employed with Sikia Cafe and this is part of her journey to independent living and self reliance.

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