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84 children given new hope in life - 2010 ORH New Zealand Medical Mission to Manila, Philippines 6 Years of Success

The ORH 2010 Mission represented 6 year of success in Caloocan City's President Diosdado Macapagal Memorial Medical Centre. 84 underprivileged children received their much-needed cleft lip and / or palate free surgery given by volunteers of Operation Restore Hope from New Zealand, Australia, Germany, UAE and Manila.

The mission week started on 8th April 2010, with our 4th Lecture Seminar. This educational forum provided a great opportunity to integrate the New Zealand and the Philippine perspectives into the peri-operative care of patients undergoing cleft lip and palate surgery.

Four operating tables were organized to maximize the list of patients needing treatment on maxillo-facial disfigurement. International and Manila based volunteer surgeons, anaesthetist, speech therapists, anaesthetic technicians, nurses, dentists and other allied health staff worked from the screening day on the 11th April 2010 tirelessly until the end of the 5 day long week of operating days from 12th April to the 16th April 2010. 136 patients were screened and 84 patients received free surgery with ages ranging from 4 months to 30 years of age.

Operation Restore Hope New Zealand 2010 Medical Mission would not be possible without the support of the Rotary Foundations of Germany, Holland and Manila, NZ Embassy, ASK Foundation Manila, and all the volunteers and other supporters.

The New Zealand Ambassador in the Philippines, Mr Andrew Matheson, and his partner Ms Sue Cotton visited the hospital on the 14th April 2010 and were amazed by how the ORH NZ volunteers make the most of what was available in the hospital in order to perform cleft lip and palate surgery.

A group of Grade 3 and 4 students and parents of children from the German European School Manila along with their teacher Ms Rachel White and the NZ Embassy Deputy Head of Mission, Mr Andy White, visited the hospital on the 15th May 2010. They presented and donated to the children of ORH medical supplies, water and medications, and then intermingled and played with the children who were waiting for their surgery and as well as visiting some patients in the post surgery ward.

The medical-surgical mission week ended with a farewell celebration hosted the City of Caloocan and President Diosdado Macapagal Memorial Medical Centre.

Hector Gonzales
NZ Mission Administrator



ORH NZ... restoring hope to the young lives of Filipinos



Mr Andrew Matheson, NZ Ambassador in the Philippines alongside Ms Sue Cotton visited the medical mission along with others from the New Zealand Embassy in Manila. Ms Cotton said, "I was utterly impressed by the dedication, selflessness and palpable enthusiasm of all members of the ORH team for the work they do to make a difference to young lives."



Thank you to Mr Steven Jarvis (photo with Hector Gonzales), a New Zealander and Founder of Give a Life Foundation children's charity, for the under-privileged sick and dying in the Philippines for his charity's medicine donation for ORH 2010 Surgical Mission. Our sincerest thanks to all of ORH NZ's supporters.

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ORH 6 years of success in restoring hope to young Filipinos.

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ORH New Zealand has received a certificate of recognition by the New Zealander of the Year 2010 Community of the Year award category.



OPERATION RESTORE HOPE 2010 TEAM



Wishing you all a safe and happy winter season in NZ and OZ.
Enjoy summer to those on the Northern Hemisphere.
...Mabuhay and Kia Ora...

**HELP US TO CONTINUE
OUR CHARITY WORK IN
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**ORH Mission - Statistics 2010
President Diosdado Memorial Medical Center, Calocan City**

Total patients screened by ORH	136
Total patients operated on	84
Total procedures	110
Total females	37
Total males	47

Range of ages	4 M < 30 Y
Total patients deferred until 2011	32

Total international team involved in mission: 29

- AUSTRALIA 9
- GERMANY 3
- NEW ZEALAND 9
- PHILIPPINES 6
- UNITED ARAB EMIRATES 2

Surgeons	5
Anaesthetists	5
Anaesthetic Technician	1
Anaesthetic RN	1
Nurses	6
Speech Therapists	1
Administrators	4
ASK Foundation Representatives	6

Total Manila team involved in mission:	53
Surgeons	16
Anaesthetists	2
Dentists	4
Nurses	26
Administrators	5

ORH NZ 2010 Surgical Mission to Manila, Philippines is once again achieved with great success. Thank you to our host hospital PDMMMC in Calocan City Manila, to all our volunteers and friends for sharing your time, unconditional love, expertise and commitment in changing lives of those underprivileged Filipino children born with cleft lip and palate deformities. ORH NZ hopes to see you again in 2011 Surgical Mission to Manila, Philippines.

We look forward to hearing from you. WE NEED YOUR HELP AND SUPPORT. CONTACT DETAILS:

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