

A Voice to Lead - A Vision For Future Healthcare



STAFF UPDATES:

Evans Leboho from Cure Head Office completed his 12 month finance internship. He is now permanently appointed as Creditors Clerk. Yolande Pereira from Cure Head Office is now promoted to Accounts Officer. Hannelie Potgieter from Cure Midstream has been promoted to Theatre Bookings Clerk. Thabo Chauke from Cure Head Office was promoted to junior accountant.



Zanele Mthlane from Cure Wilgeheuwel received flowers from a patient to thank her for the excellent and friendly service. Proud of you Zanele!

FUN FACT

From April 2020 to April 2021 – Cure Day Hospitals has seen **142 new doctors** at our facilities.

COVID-19 HOSPITAL UPDATE

We are committed to working responsibly with the Covid-19 surge and will remain open for elective surgery for as long as permissible. All staff that wished to, have been vaccinated.



SCOPE ROOM

Cure Bellville's scope room has been approved and is out for tender.

WE ARE GOING GREEN

We are committed to going green. Two of our hospitals have solar installed, and more to follow.



CURE DAY HOSPITAL – EAST LONDON SOD TURNING



CURE DAY HOSPITAL EAST LONDON UPDATE

On 17 March 2021, we hosted an exciting sod-turning event to celebrate the new Cure Day Hospital in East London! We would like to thank everyone for the excellent turn-out and all the support! Cure Day Hospitals East London construction is progressing well and we should be operational by April 2022.



CURE VALUES OUR PATIENT'S FEEDBACK

See how we rated nationally from March - June 2021



✓ Service received from Reception
99% Excellent

✓ Discharge information
99% Excellent

✓ Cleanliness of facility
99% Excellent

✓ Nursing care
99% Excellent

✓ Ease of finding hospital location
98% Excellent

✓ Likelihood to recommend facility
99% Excellent

WE ARE SO PROUD!

Cure Day Hospitals reached **budgeted revenue** at all **9 hospitals** in the group for the month of May.

Cure Fourways is Five!

We are so proud of this milestone and would like to extend a big thank you to all our supporting doctors and staff.



Cure Wilgeheuwel received a Patriot Certificate from Action SA to thank our frontline workers for their dedication and service. Dr Corne Van Graan accepted the certificate.



Cure Paarl Dental CSI

Cure Paarl was in the fortunate position to arrange a dental CSI for 6 children with much needed dental procedures. The Covid pandemic had a huge impact on available theatre time for dental cases at Paarl Provincial hospital.

Cure Midstream CSI

Cure Midstream and the Blissful Cleft Foundation joined forces to help Rowan. Rowan had a hard palate closure procedure.



CURE MIDSTREAM TURNED 10 YEARS OLD



Cure Bellville and Cure Bloemfontein celebrated the **C** for **Compassion** in our **Cure Values** with their theme of "growing gifts" and "planting seeds". Compassion is the sensitivity of all healthcare providers to understand patients' suffering and their needs to consciously help them achieve general well-being.



WHAT OUR DOCTORS HAVE TO SAY

Aan almal by Cure,

Net 'n groot dankie vir jul goeie diens. Dr. Rawlins se pasiënte praat met groot lof van jul.

Dit word ook opreg waardeur dat jul uit jul pad gaan om die "groter" dag gevalle te hanteer, en die nodige in Teater vir hom beskikbaar te stel.

RONEL
Ontvangsdame: Dr. Rawlins



CURE BLOEMFONTEIN

Ziane Van Der Merwe, 7 years old, broke her right arm in two places while playing at day care. Unfortunately her family does not have a medical aid, and despite being rushed to hospital, she did not receive treatment for a full week. That is when Cure Bloemfontein joined forces with Orthopaedic Surgeon, Dr Philip Fischer, to help Ziane with an ORIF radius fracture repair.



Ongelooflik vriendelik
staff, doen so baie moeite
absoluut puik diens.

ERASMUSKLOOF



SOMERSET WEST

BLOEMFONTEIN

Cure Somerset West admitted their
14 000th patient on 19 May. Cure
Bloemfontein admitted their 20 000th
patient on 22 June.

WELCOME



Anne-Marie Warner
Cure Somerset West
Hospital Manager



NURSES DAY 2021



Cure Wilgeheuwel
sponsored a special
breakfast for the
dentists from Inter -
care Wilgeheuwel.



Cure Medkin investors meeting

Cure Medkin hosted an investors dinner on
the 7th of April at Blu Saffron, which had a
great turnout. We would like to thank all
the doctors for their attendance and
support.



**Cure Bloemfontein welcomes Prof
Steven Matshidza!**

Prof Matshidza is the Head of the
Department of Orthopedic Surgery at
the University of the Free State.

Cure Fourways warmly welcomes, Specialist
Orthopaedic Surgeon, Dr Harry Papagapiou
into our building. Dr Papagapiou boasts state-
of-the-art rooms and equipment. Contact him
on 011 036 4190.



**CURE
WILGEHEUWEL**

On 19 March, Cure Wilgeheuwel
performed a pro deo surgery, to help a
patient in need of eye surgery.

Thank you to Dr Hermann Roodt,
Ophthalmologist, for performing this
surgery and changing the life of this
patient.



**CURE SOMERSET WEST
SOCKS 4 DOCS!**

WHAT IS A GENERAL SURGEON?

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General surgeons are trained in the diagnosis, pre-operative, operative, and post-operative care of patients. This encompasses a variety of disciplines including surgery of the alimentary canal and intra-abdominal organs. Further there are the disciplines of trauma surgery, endocrine surgery (thyroid and other glands), vascular surgery (surgery of blood vessels), breast surgery, oncological surgery (cancer surgery), and paediatric surgery to name the most well-known.

The history of surgery goes back to at least 12,000 BC. The earliest operations were generally done for trauma and in some cases to eliminate evil spirits "causing disease" as evidenced by the most ancient of procedures, trepanation (the drilling of a hole through the skull to allow evil spirits to escape). Historically the extent of surgery was severely limited by three things, bleeding, pain, and infection. Until these three things could be adequately addressed surgery remained rather barbaric with patients being held down and offered alcohol whilst the operation took place. Most patients died due to their condition and the surgery itself. Due to this surgery was not considered a medical profession and in the 1700s was performed by Barber surgeons. This can still be evidenced in the red-and-white pole traditionally seen outside barbershops. It was only later that surgery became a fully-fledged medical profession accepted into the fold of the medical associations worldwide. Because of this association with the Barber surgeons general surgeons in countries like the United Kingdom still refer to themselves as Mister rather than Doctor. It was only after the Industrial Revolution with the adherence to antiseptic technique and the development of safe anaesthesia that surgery could truly develop.

This plus the ability to control bleeding during surgery allowed surgery to progress and make the massive advances seen in the 20th and 21st centuries. From the crude amputations and procedures of the past we have now progressed to performing major surgeries through tiny incisions in the form of minimally invasive surgery and even robotic surgery.

As a general surgeon today, we are required to complete six years of general medical training followed by a further five years dedicated surgical training rotating through various surgical disciplines. Many surgeons will then go on to super specialise in a specific field. However, in a country like South Africa the general surgeon still has a vital role in many towns and cities as most super specialists are situated in the big centres that patients do not always have easy access to them, plus many conditions don't require a super specialist and can be more than sufficiently addressed by a general surgeon.

Every day in a general surgeons' life is a new challenge and this is what makes the field so exciting. You never wake up in the morning knowing what your day will hold and even the elective operations are never always the same. Every patient's anatomy and response to surgery is different. The great beauty however is that as a surgeon you take on a problem, solve it, and most times see an immediate response that improves the quality of life for your patient be it removing a painful toenail or performing a major operation for cancer. You do however need to make many difficult decisions that may also have a major impact on people's lives, but this is outweighed by the fact that in most cases your actions help and improve people's lives.

From the desk of our HR Manager:

YOUTH ON THE MOVE

Mmamoko Lamola

As we commemorate Youth Month, we are reminded that today's youth face more complex challenges like unemployment especially with the various impacts of COVID-19. According

to Stats Quarterly Labour Force Survey (QFLS) for the first quarter of 2021, South Africa's unemployment rate hit new all-time high of 32.6%.

Cure Day Hospitals Group remains committed to the empowerment and advancement of young South Africans by offering fully-funded leadership programmes for employed and unemployed youth, Internships for unemployed youth graduates and bursaries to youth.

Special thanks to all our stakeholders (Shareholders, Board members, Doctors, Training Providers, EXCO, Managers, Employees) for their continuous support. Let us continue moving the youth of South Africa.

33% OF OUR WORKFORCE IS YOUTH

#YouthOnTheMove
#CureYouth

