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Operated children

General :

Since 2019, the Manna Eye Clinic has 2 branches of work.

Our main service is as before the care of financially deprived eye patients.

The second assignment since 2019 is to send refugee children again to school. Due to the ongoing conflict in the anglophone regions of Cameroon they could not attend school for the last 3 years.

2 Coworkers were sent to Gambia for further education.

Staff:

We are 62 co-workers of whom 18 are working in the permanent outstations in Bamenda and Douala.

Description	Quantity		Description	Quantity
Ophthalmologist	01		Accountant	01
Cataract Surgeon	01	1	Opticians	05
Ophthalmic Nurses	03		Store keeper	01
State Registered Nurses	17		Cashiers	04
Assistant Nurses	02	1	Technician	01
Nursing aid	01		Drivers	03
Auxiliaries	13	3	Security Guards	03
Administrator	01	4	Cleaners	05

Statistics:

Description	2019	2020	2021
Total Patients	63,608	64,666	73,870
Major eye operations	973	953	992
Minor eye operations	145	171	182
Yag and Argon laser treatment	33	46	79
Visual field, B-Scan, fundus photo	749	966	1,563
Eye drops produced	44,528	54,771	58,224
Glasses produced (single vision, bifocals and progressives)	8,395	8,012	10,384
Reading glasses given or sold	1,963	1,879	2,196
Outreach locations	20	15	14
Outreach consultation times	145	93	114

Problems:

Eye consultations are still not possible in the North West and South West Regions of Cameroon due to the ongoing war in this area.

Almost daily patients with eye injuries sustained during farmwork are consulted. Most of them come only after a few days / weeks to our clinic. In the meantime native medicines are used or some unknown eye drops. Many late coming patients leave our clinic after weeks of intensive treatment with big corneal scars. Some eyes cannot be saved.

Four coworkers left the hospital, 2 of them due to stealing.

As a result of the Pandemic the prices of medicines, freight charges and custom duties have increased.

Further Plans:

1. Training of 2 nurses in Gambia.
3. Continuous education in the clinic and outreach stations about the dangers of glaucoma and native medicine for eyes.
4. Intensify the in-service training of the staff in Nkongsamba and in the outstation clinics.

Visits

We are grateful for the visits of:

Dr. Gatz and team,

Dr Schnell

The Swiss Team

Due to the Covid – 19 crises, other visitors were unable to come.

Schooling of refugee school-children

Due to generous donations, we were able to send 150 children to primary and secondary school in 2021/2022.

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