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DISTRICT 308 B1 - MALAYSIA



DIABETES REHABILITATION PROGRAMME
PROSTHETIC LEG FOR DIABETICS PROJECT

Introduction

Diabetes is a metabolic disease that affects every organ in the body and if untreated or poorly treated may lead to complications in every organ including the blood vessels and nerves leading to gangrene of the leg which requires amputation.

During the last Lions 308 Multiple District Convention in Kota Kinabalu in April 2008, the delegates agreed and voted to allow RM 100000 to be transferred to the Diabetic Fund following a suggestion by PCC Ng Kim Leng. Together with the approx RM50000 , our District Governor Dr JP Kamalanathan plans to provide Aid to diabetics who have had their legs amputated due to diabetic complications

Objective

To provide good quality prosthetic leg to diabetic amputees for rehabilitation.

Criteria

Recipients must be poor and preferably have a job prior to amputation and possibly able to work with the aid of the prosthesis.

Budget

RM 145000 from the Diabetic fund from the District Foundation

Cost of Above knee prosthesis approx RM8000 and cost of Below knee prosthetic leg is approx RM4000

Therefore we plan to give aid to about 30 recipients ie 3 to 5 for each state in District 308B1

(Kelantan, Terengganu, Pahang, Johor , Malacca, Negeri Sembilan and Kuala Lumpur.)

This project is to be completed by March 2009

Project.

Region chairpersons with the assistance of any Lion doctors or paramedical staff in their region are to work closely with the orthopaedic surgeon in the state to identify deserving recipients and after assessing their social status is to recommend the case for approval.

The launch of the project was held in Hospital Raja Perempuan Zainab II , Kota Bharu on 17.July 2008 at 3.00pm where a 45 yr old widow with 9 children was the first recipient. (See Report)

I sincerely thank IPDG Raymond Tang and PCC Ng Kim Leng for consenting to be the advisors for this project and wish that all Region Chairpersons will assist me to identify the deserving patients so that the project will be a success.

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Lion Dr Chua Sim Son

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