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CHEPs 28th Eye Camp

Garissa PGH

Garissa County

9-11th February 2015

Sponsored by Beta Charitable Trust of UK

Introduction

The 28th CHEPs eye camp was held in Garissa County at the Garissa Referral Hospital. It was limited to surgeries for cataract blind patients

This camp was fully sponsored by Beta Charitable Trust of UK and will assist in reducing the huge burden of cataract blindness in Garissa County. If successful we can undertake this repeatedly to have an impact on blindness in the County which is mainly rural, borders Somalia and has very little support for health care and education. Due to the insecure environment other organisations who used to support eye care have pulled out of the area. BCT's assistance was timely and was highly appreciated by the county and hospital officials and especially the beneficiaries.

A total of 106 sight-restoring surgeries were performed by the hospital eye team as follows:

Day 1 – 33 surgeries

Day 2 – 37 surgeries

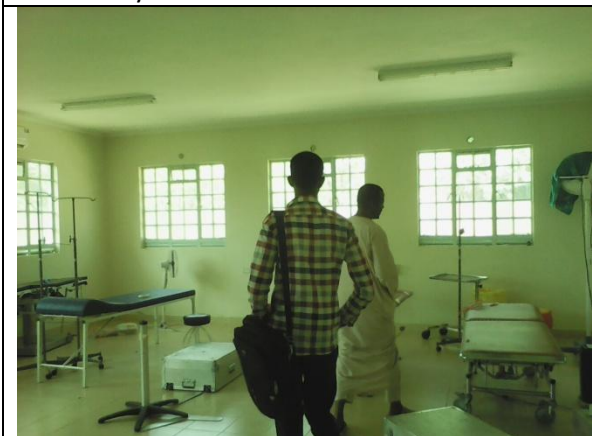
Day 3 – 36 surgeries

TOTAL – 106 surgeries

The eye camp in pictures:



The facility

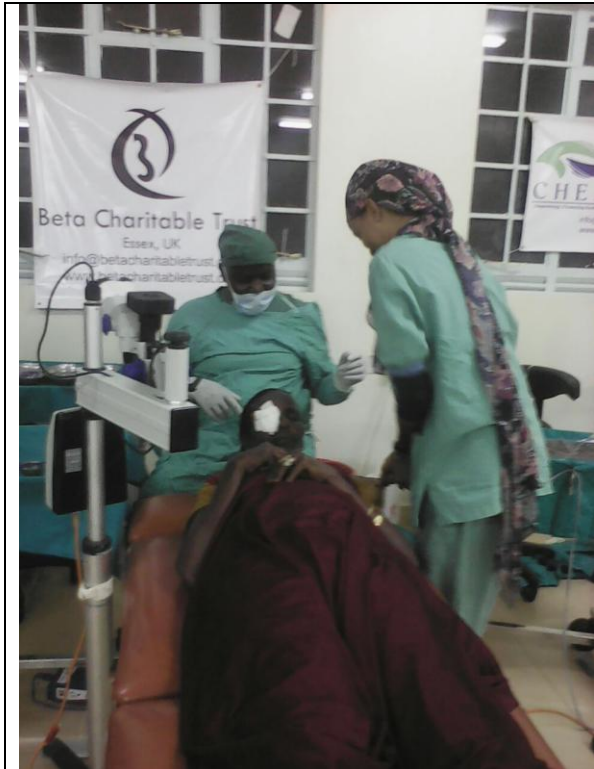


Volunteers preparing





A prisoner with cataract blindness waiting his turn for sight restorative surgery



This nurse grew up in Mama Hani children's home in Garissa.



Awaiting their turn for surgery



Waiting for post-operative follow up second day after surgery.



Two surgeons operating at same time



Sterilising equipment



Zakariya, a young boy from Dagahaley refugee camp



Zakariya, after surgery.