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Catherine Nagadya, Uganda

Project: Complete Blood Count Project – Mifumi Health Services

Use of Grant Funds: Procurement of Medical Equipment

WMF Micro Grant Funded: October 2016

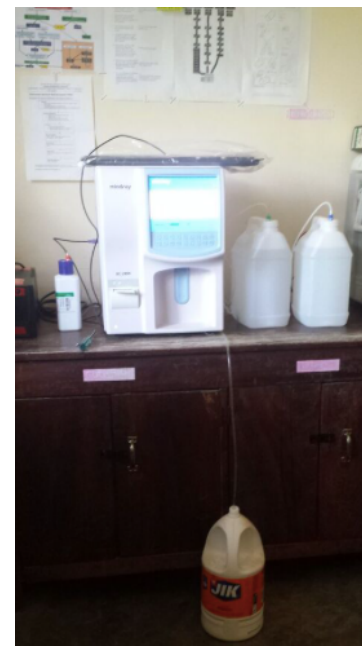
Three-Month Follow Up Report:

Implementing a WMF Micro-Grant project has many benefits for the communities in which they benefit and also for our WMF Alumni. Dr. Catherine Nagadya has learned numerous lessons through the procurement of a Complete Blood Count machine for the rural Mifumi Health Center.

Catherine's proposal was straightforward with a strong call to action based upon documented medical needs. She shares, *"Diagnostics is at the center of medical practice. As a newly recruited doctor at Mifumi Health Center, I encountered challenges in making diagnoses without adequate supporting lab work."*

As a medical student, Catherine had not studied the laws and regulations governing the importation of medical equipment. She shares that she learned a lot through communicating with multiple suppliers in Asia before making a deal with a local merchant. Additionally, pledged funding from numerous other sources was not provided when the time came to purchase the machine. However, Catherine felt passionately about this project and invested additional funds of her own salary to see this project through.

Moving forward, Catherine plans to write a proposal to the Jude and Joseph Sickle Cell Hub to request a matching grant to support patients with this disease and increase the affordability of having their blood work analyzed with the CBC machine. Locally and regionally, Catherine also plans to hold community sensitization events to educate everyone on the importance and benefits of blood analysis and market the machine's availability to other clinicians within the region.



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