



## Chain of Hope Cardiac Outreach Clinic in Jamaica, January 2015



**In January 2015, Chain of Hope  
and Chain of Hope Jamaica  
conducted an outreach clinic  
around Jamaica, to scan the  
hearts of children and babies  
from rural areas.**

**36 of these had previously received  
treatment at Bustamante Hospital  
for Children in Kingston, and 11  
came for a diagnosis.**



## **Dorrian's Story**

**Dorrian was born with his arteries the wrong way round in his heart and needed an urgent operation. He was due to receive open heart surgery during a Chain of Hope cardiac mission to the Bustamante Hospital for Children in Kingston, however due to equipment failure at the hospital, Chain of Hope organised and sponsored Dorrian's urgent surgery in the UK.**



**Dorrian's story highlighted the great need for investment in a cardiac centre for the children of Jamaica and the surrounding Caribbean. At his check up at the Outreach Clinic, Dorrian was doing very well!**

# Day 1: Mandeville Regional Hospital

Dr. Charmaine Scott is greeted by one of her patients, whom she has come to follow up on.



Emma Scanlan, CEO of Chain of Hope, catches up with Petra (and her new baby), who Chain of Hope treated in 2004. She is pictured (inset) with the Matron after her operation.

## Always learning...



**Dr. Tamra Tomlinson of Bustamante Hospital for Children, spent a year training with Dr. Alan Magee in London, sponsored by Chain of Hope. Here she and Dr. Sherard Little discuss the results of the baby's scan with Dr. Alan Magee and Miss Kelly Peacock, who**

**regularly volunteer their time to help develop a cardiac service in the Caribbean.**



## Day 2: Savannah La Mar Public General Hospital



40 – 60% of children born with Down's Syndrome will also be born with a Congenital Heart Defect, which was the case for

this little patient, who received life-saving open heart surgery at Bustamante Hospital for Children.

Carla Newsam,  
Executive  
Director of  
Chain of Hope  
Jamaica,  
discusses what  
to expect with  
the queue of  
little patients waiting for their heart scan.





**Kelly Peacock scans a baby's heart to see whether he will need surgery or whether his symptoms can be treated without an invasive operation.**



## Day 3: Cornwall Regional Hospital



Carla Newsam with Chantelle, whom Professor Sir Magdi Yacoub, OM, (President and Founder of Chain of Hope) treated in 1996. Chantelle

was just three when she underwent open heart surgery, and we were thrilled to be able to tell her that her heart was still healthy.





It was fantastic for the medical team to see many of the patients doing so well. 80% of the children seen at the outreach clinic will not need to be seen for another year, which is an excellent post-operative result.



## Vital Medical Equipment

We were delighted to donate a brand new portable echo machine, worth US \$100,000, to the Bustamante Hospital for Children. Used to scan the heart, this machine will be essential for future outreach clinics to check up on the patients around Jamaica.



Donating equipment is a key part of achieving our long-term vision of a sustainable cardiac service in Jamaica as it will enable the local team to operate independently.

**We would like to thank the  
following for helping this inaugural  
cardiac outreach clinic to take place:**

- ♥ **Dr. Alan Magee, Southampton University  
Hospital Trust**
- ♥ **Miss Kelly Peacock, Evelina Children's  
Hospital**
- ♥ **Photographer Billy Perkins**
- ♥ **Sandals Jamaica**
- ♥ **British Airways**
- ♥ **The team at Bustamante Hospital for  
Children**





# Thank you for mending little hearts

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