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Technology Inclusion for Physiotherapists



Kingston, Jamaica – On November 29, 2019, e-Learning Jamaica Company Limited handed over forty-six (46) computer tablets in a Handover Ceremony to the Jamaica Physiotherapy Association held at the Knustford Court Hotel.

The project is a collaboration between e-Learning Jamaica Company Limited, the Ministry of Finance & Public Service and the Ministry of

Health & Wellness to assist with the delivery of Physiotherapy services in Health facilities island wide.

The honourable Fayval Williams, Minister of Science, Energy and Technology in her keynote address expressed “Over the years, technology has led to significant improvements in the delivery of health care. With the evolution in telemedicine, telehealth, artificial intelligence and wearable devices that monitor your heart rate, blood pressure among other things, technology is transforming the health sector.”

President of the Jamaica Physiotherapy Association, Dr. Gayle Francis, stated “the Jamaica Physiotherapy Association is pleased with the handing over of tablets as it will further enhance the ability for physiotherapists to deliver quality rehabilitation services to the Jamaica people.”

Chairman of e-Learning Jamaica, Mr. Christopher Reckord in delivering greetings at the event said, “I am very happy with the execution of this small but very important collaborative project by e-Learning Jamaica’s new leadership team headed by a new CEO, a new board and a new Minister.”

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Mr. Keith Smith, Chief Executive Officer at e-Learning Jamaica stated, “I am pleased this is the first project the team has delivered since I assumed leadership of the company.” He added, “the organization is on a path of transformation as such we are working on other projects such as the Tablets for Teachers Programme and the Tablets in Schools Project. Changes to these programmes will be announced over the next few months.”

The tablets are valued at a cost of approximately \$1 million. Linstead Hospital, Spanish Town Public General Hospital, Cornwall Regional Hospital, National Chest Hospital, Hope Institute, Savanna la Mar Public General Hospital, May Pen Public General Hosp, Mandeville Regional Hospital, Percy Junor Public Hospital, Black River Public Hospital, Jamaica Constabulary Force, Bustamante Hospital for Children, Sir John Golding Rehabilitation Centre, University Hospital of the West Indies, Kingston Public/ Victoria Jubilee Hospitals, G C Foster College, St Ann Health Department, St. Ann’s Bay Regional Hospital, Early Stimulation Project and Mr. Ford- National Physio Coordinator MoHW are the facilities who received tablets.

The tablets for physiotherapists were supplied pursuant to the 2015 - 2017 Heads of Agreement with the Council of Paramedics and the Government of Jamaica.

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