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NEWSLETTER

Northern Outreach: Nurturing Communities through Care and Collaboration

Community engagement is at the heart of our Outreach effort. Our dedicated team spent two weeks in the lush landscapes of the Northern Division visiting children, parents, teachers and key stakeholders. This Outreach included visits to Special Schools namely, Nasavusavu Special School and Labasa Special School, and the Savusavu Sub Divisional Hospital and the Labasa Sub Divisional Hospital.

The Outreach also extended to children in the Labasa, Savusavu and Bua communities. The Audio and Speech department undertook comprehensive screenings and assessments for children, providing tailored recommendations aligned with each child's unique requirements. Our team conducted classroom observations, equipping educators with strategies to support children on their learning journey. Simultaneously, the Physiotherapy department conducted assessments for physical disabilities, mobility and functional needs as well as conducted wheelchair assessments and fit-outs.



Mobility Device follow up



FHO staff with clients during the Outreach

Active Caseload July: 425 children

27 Parent Interviews Conducted

These are essential and helps us foster a good relationship with the child and family. We aim to fully understand the child before placing them into our therapies.

83 New Assessments Conducted

Across Four Departments

Assessments are conducted by clinicians to fully understand a child's condition before deciding which specific program the child will join.

These children were part of 342 contact sessions for the month.

1 child was provided with a hearing aid

4 children provided with mobility devices



Physiotherapy assessment

We strongly believe that collaboration between parents and teachers is essential in creating a nurturing environment where every child can thrive. Each department hosted a Parent and Teacher Training session at both Nasavusavu Special School and Labasa Special School, fostering a sense of shared responsibility in nurturing the potential within every child.

With each client visit, training session, and community engagement, the team hopes to make a difference that ripples through the lives of countless individuals and leave a trail of smiles and hope.



Parent interview and assessments



Feeding and swallowing assessment

Special and Inclusive Education Training for Suva District Heads of Schools

Team Leader - Programme Coordination Mr. Pravneil Chand presented to the Head of Schools outlining strategies for enhancing access to Frank Hilton Organizations services for both Inclusive and Mainstream schools in Suva. The primary objectives of this presentation was to strengthen referral pathways and raise awareness regarding the diverse range of services offered by FHO.



Team Leader - Programme Coordination talks about FHO



Physiotherapist conducts session

Who Says Therapy Can't Be Fun

Play therapy for children needing physiotherapy allows them to explore movements, develop motor skills, and strengthen their muscles in a fun and interactive manner.

This approach enhances their physical abilities while boosting their motivation and self-confidence, making therapy sessions a fun and rewarding experience

Telecom Fiji Donates \$15,000 to the Frank Hilton Organization

In a remarkable display of dedication to social responsibility and community engagement, Telecom Fiji continues to stand by the Frank Hilton Organisation, supporting the Bara Battle 2023 Fundraiser. Telecom Fiji not only participated wholeheartedly in the physical wheelbarrow race held on the 29th of July but also organized innovative fundraising initiatives that demonstrated their unwavering commitment to making a positive impact on the lives of those in need.

Telecom Fiji's involvement in the Wheelbarrow Race was more than just symbolic; it was a testament to their dedication. The company's staff organized a series of creative and fun fundraising activities that fostered team bonding while raising significant funds



for the cause. Among these initiatives were food sales where staff members cooked and sold delicious treats, personal donations from staff members, and Kati sales. With the assistance of Telecom Management, an impressive sum of \$10,000 was raised.

In total, Telecom Fiji's efforts resulted in a generous donation of \$15,000 to the Frank Hilton Organisation. Charles Goundar, the CEO of Telecom Fiji, expressed his gratitude, stating, "We are immensely grateful to the Frank Hilton Organisation for giving us the opportunity to contribute to this profoundly meaningful cause. As a local company, we hold a strong belief in giving back to our community, and I am proud of our team for showing such dedication to uplifting the community we serve."

Telecom Fiji's commitment to the cause didn't stop at fundraising; their team members also showcased their creativity and camaraderie by winning the title of "Best Dressed Team" for an impressive seventh consecutive year at the 2023 Bara Battle. Their eye-catching costumes and enthusiastic spirit added a vibrant touch to the event, earning them well-deserved accolades and reinforcing the strong bond shared among the staff.



"We want to express our sincere gratitude to the remarkable team at Telecom Fiji for their unwavering dedication and invaluable contributions during these significant occasions. The Wheelbarrow Race stands as a powerful platform for us to champion child rights and advocate for children living with disabilities and their families. We are profoundly appreciative of organizations like Telecom Fiji,

whose active and consistent support towards our cause every year has been instrumental in ensuring continuity of our services in communities. The commitment shown by TFL is exemplary, and we eagerly look forward to the continued support from other esteemed organizations, as together, we can create an even more profound and lasting difference in the lives of those we serve", Sureni Perera, CEO of Frank Hilton Organization.

Family Safety Planning Training Conducted in the North

Family safety planning is essential because every family possesses distinct characteristics, with members varying greatly in their abilities, ages, and health statuses. When unexpected crises arise, like natural disasters or other emergencies, it can be daunting to ensure the safety and well-being of all family members. Family safety planning becomes the solution, entailing a tailored strategy that accounts for each family member's specific needs and vulnerabilities. A total of 30 parents and primary caregivers from the Province Cakaudrove, Bua and Macuata participated in the training.



Participants of the training

Hilton Early Intervention Centre Welcomes New Head of School

FHO is the controlling authority for the Hilton Early Intervention Centre (EIC) in Suva. This month we welcomed Mr Eroni Niulele as the new Head Teacher for the School. Mr Eroni Niulele says "I am happy to be joining the Hilton Early Intervention Centre. I have previously taught at the Hilton Special School, so the Hilton Family is no stranger to me. I am looking forward to working together with the teachers and supporting the student's growth and development".

We would also like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to the former Head Teacher of EIC Ms. Cecilia Yee for her exceptional dedication and service spanning over 23 years within the Hilton Early Intervention Centre. During her tenure, she has admirably led EIC for the past eight years. "I feel sad about leaving because I have been part of the Hilton Early Intervention Centre for quite some time. I will miss my teachers and students dearly. I am also looking forward to joining a new school and sharing with them whatever I have gathered throughout my years here at EIC. I am leaving EIC in very capable hands. Mr Niulele brings with him a wealth of knowledge and I believe this will greatly benefit the teachers and students here" she shares.

As the EIC embarks on a new chapter under the capable leadership of Mr. Eroni Niulele, the organization is looking forward to continued efforts towards ensuring that the EIC continues to flourish as a beacon of educational excellence, and empowerment.



Welcoming Mr Eroni Niulele (second from left), new Head of School for EIC



Bidding farewell to former EIC Head of School Ms Cecelia Yee

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