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## DEPARTMENT OF OTORHINOLARYNGOLOGY PRESENTS AT APRIL GRAND ROUND

THE department of Otorhinolaryngology (ENT) took its turn on 26th April 2023 to present at the April edition at the hospital Grand Round. Three of the doctors of the department; Iheagwu Onyekachi Iheanyi Chukwu, Adegboye Aderonke Folashade and Salman AbdulWasiu captivated the Participants with their incisive presentations. They spoke on the topic, 'Chronic Discharging Ear: Preventing Complications by Early Referral'.

Iheagwu defined Chronic Suppurative Otitis Media, [CSOM] as a chronic infection of the middle ear characterized by permanent perforation of the eardrum and mucopurulent discharge which may become complicated if unattended to or even lead to death. He added that the otitis media as an umbrella term could be classified into acute or chronic on the basis of duration of symptoms.

The presenter said that CSOM would affect between 65 -330 million people globally with 60 percent of sufferers manifesting with hearing loss. However, he noted that earlier

epidemiological studies in Ilorin recorded about 75 out of 1,000 pupils in a rural community are suffering from CSOM. He disclosed that risk factors predisposing to Chronic Ear discharge/infection include; poorly treated acute ear infections, extreme of ages, poorly treated/recurrent upper air way infections; comorbidities like diabetes or HIV infections and poor living conditions.

In his own presentation, Salman said patient with complications may present with alarming signs like; sudden onset of ear pain, restlessness and persistent cry in a child, vertigo, headache, projectile vomiting, convulsions, high grade fever, neck stiffness, irrational behavior, facial deformity, and diffuse swelling or growth around the ear. He advised clinicians at all levels of health care to watch out for those symptoms and promptly refer such patients to the ENT specialists.

Adegboye unfolded guidelines for immediate referral to ENT surgeons to include; failure to improve with

first line antibiotics, comorbidities like diabetes mellitus, HIV, blood stained or offensive ear discharge, presence of granulation tissue, lack of requisite skill or facility / instrument to effect treatment. She advised also that referral should be indicated if the ear-drum perforation fail to close after 12 weeks with or without discharge.

The co-presenter noted that the best strategy for prevention of complications was to be more vigilant at the acute phase and to have high index of suspicion of the alarming signs. She added; "other preventive measures are: avoiding cigarette smoking, engaging in complete childhood vaccination, infant breast feeding and avoid plucking of a discharging ear with cotton wool. In conclusion, a prompt referral of chronically discharging ear to an ENT surgeon is hereby advocated. Acute ear infection must be well treated to avoid leading to chronic discharge. It is safer and cheaper to prevent complications by early referral than to manage complications of CSOM".



The CMD, (Middle), Provost of College of Medicine University of Ilorin, Professor B.S. Alabi, (Right) And C-MAC, Dr L.O. Odeigha (Left) In A Rapt Attention At The Grand Round.



The UITH Coordinator of NHIA, Professor T.M Akande During His Presentation At The Grand Round.

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## WHY UITH IS LOSING FUNDS TO NHIA -CMD

THE Chief Medical Director (CMD) University of Ilorin Teaching Hospital (UITH), Professor A.D. Yussuf has made a stunning disclosure of how the hospital has incurred a loss of One Hundred Million Naira (N100 million) to poor attitudes of some Health Management Officers (HMOs) while implementing the National Health Insurance Authority (NHIA). Professor Yussuf spoke on April 26th, 2023 during the 'Grand Round' edition with a topic, 'Chronic Discharging Ear: Preventing Complications By Early Referral' as presented by department of Otorhinolaryngology/Head and Neck Surgery of the UITH. The CMD, responding to some salient issues on referral cases raised by

the hospital's Coordinator of the NHIA Professor Tanimola Akande urged the enrollee staff under the NHIA to adhere strictly to all the rules of the agency.

It would be recalled that the NHIA formerly known as the National Health Insurance Scheme (NHIS) is a body corporate established under NHIA Act 2022 by the Federal Government of Nigeria to improve access to quality and affordable healthcare for all Nigerians.

According to the CMD, "we have lost some money by not complying with some of the rules attached to the proper implementations of the NHIA. Some HMOs are owing us a huge sum of money totalling N100 million. They are looking for flimsy excuses, they don't want to pay.

We need on our part strict

compliance on the NHIA as raised by Professor Akande to avoid loss of money. We should equally note that on monthly basis as a hospital, we pay remittances especially stamp duties to the government."

Three doctors of the department; Iheagwu Onyekachi, Salman AbdulWasiu and Adegboye Aderonke took their turns to present at the monthly scientific event.



## UITH SCHOOLS ATTAIN WORLD CLASS STATUS – OYINLOYE, THE REGISTRAR

The Registrar of UITH schools, Mr E.Y. Oyinloye has stated that more than 40 percent of the products of the schools are frequently sought for in and outside Nigeria.

Fielding questions from UITH Bulletin Committee of the hospital on 11th May, 2023, Oyinloye attributed the rising profile of the schools to the ingenuity of the incumbent Chief Medical Director (CMD), Professor A.D. Yussuf and the virile visions of the founding fathers.

He enthused, "our facilities are the best you can come

across, with seasoned teachers and standard modules. Our students have records of about 90 per cent success rates in Final Board and Council Examinations."

Oyinloye said the strong point of the 'modus operandi' of the school was the pulling together of the structures under the administration of a Registrar. He added, "in other sister Teaching Hospitals, the system is not centralized".

## KNOW MORE ABOUT UITH SCHOOLS

AMILEGBE, ILORIN.



**STATUS:** School Registrar  
(Mr. E. Y. Oyinloye)

**ACTIVITIES:** The Registrar, being the administrative head of the Complex is saddled with the smooth running of day-to-day activities/affairs of the School Complex and gives feedback to the Chief Medical Director through the Offices of Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee (C-MAC) Deputy Chairman, Medical Advisory Committee (D-CMAC) Training and Education. The schools presently have over 900 students.

**CAUTION/SCAMMERS!** Beware of scammers impersonating the Chief Medical Director on :Employment/Contract/Supplies. Kindly visit the Hospital Website to get proper and accurate information when necessary.



## THE SCHOOLS

### School of Nursing



**STATUS:** Principal  
(Mrs. A. L. Adewale)

**ACTIVITIES:** The school runs a three-year Basic Nursing Programme awarding Nursing Certificate. The school is fully accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria in 2017.

The affiliation of the Basic Nursing Programme with Centre for Affiliated Institutions, University of Ilorin, for the award of Bachelor of Nursing Science (BNSc) degree is ongoing.

### SPBN Accident & Emergency



**STATUS:** Coordinator  
(Mrs. D. I. Oyeleye)

**ACTIVITIES:** The school presently runs a one year Post Basic Programme in Accident and Emergency Nursing awarding Diploma Certificate in Accident and Emergency Nursing. The programme is fully accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria.

The processes of affiliation of these programmes with Centre for Affiliated Institutions, University of Ilorin, for the award of Postgraduate (Masters) Programme in Nursing Specialties is ongoing.

### SPBN Paediatrics



**STATUS:** Coordinator  
(Mrs. F. O. Adebisi)

**ACTIVITIES:** The school runs a one year Post Basic Programme in Paediatric Nursing awarding Diploma Certificate in Paediatric Nursing. The programme is fully accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria.

The processes of affiliation of these programmes with Centre for Affiliated Institutions, University of Ilorin, for the award of Postgraduate (Masters) programme in Nursing Specialties is ongoing.

### SPBN Nephrology



**STATUS:** Coordinator  
(Mrs. B. T. Segun-Aghoola)

**ACTIVITIES:** The school runs a one year post Basic Programme in Nephrology Nursing awarding Post Basic Diploma Certificate in Nephrology Nursing. The programme is fully accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria.

The processes of affiliation of these programmes with Centre for Affiliated Institutions, University of Ilorin, for the award of Postgraduate (Masters) programme in Nursing Specialties is ongoing.

### SPBN Ophthalmic



**STATUS:** Coordinator  
(Mrs. K. O. Shuaib)

**ACTIVITIES:** The school runs a one year Diploma programme in Ophthalmic Nursing awarding Post Basic Certificate in Ophthalmic Nursing. The programme is fully accredited by the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria.

The processes of affiliation of these programmes with Centre for Affiliated Institutions, University of Ilorin, for the award of Postgraduate (Masters) programme in Nursing Specialties is ongoing.

## School of Community Health



**STATUS:** Principal  
*(Dr. (Mrs.) S. B. Oyewole)*

**ACTIVITIES:** The school runs a two-year programme awarding Higher Diploma Certificate in Community Health and runs a year programme for licensed Community Health Officers (CHO) with degree in related fields such as Community Health and Health Education. The school is fully accredited by Community Health Practitioners Registration Board of Nigeria (CHPRBN).

The processes of affiliation of the School with the Centre for Affiliated Institutions, University of Ilorin, for the award of Bachelor of Community Health Science (BCHS) and Post Graduate Diploma (PGDCHIE) in Community Health Education is ongoing.

## School of Orthopaedic Cast Technology (SOCT)



**STATUS:** Coordinator  
*(Dr. G. H. Ibraheem)*

**ACTIVITIES:** The school runs a two year programme for National Diploma and two years for Higher National Diploma in Orthopaedic Cast Technology awarding National Diploma and Higher National Diploma Certificates respectively.

The school is fully accredited by the National Board for Technical Education.

## School of Health Information Mgt. (SHIM)



**STATUS:** Coordinator  
*(Mr. A. A. Mohammed)*

**ACTIVITIES:** The school runs both National Diploma (ND) for two years and Higher National Diploma (HND) programmes for two years in Health Information Management awarding National Diploma and Higher National Diploma respectively.

The school is fully accredited by the Health Record Officer's (NBTE) Registration Board of Nigeria (HRORBN) and National Board for Technical Education and fully integrated into the National Youth Service Corps (NYSC).

## Postgraduate School of Health Information Mgt.



**STATUS:** Coordinator  
 (PGSHIM)  
*(Dr. I. O. Salihu)*

**ACTIVITIES:** The school runs a year programme both on-campus and Online in Postgraduate Studies for the award of Postgraduate Diploma Certificate in Health Information Management.

The affiliation of the programme with Centre for Affiliated Institutions, University of Ilorin was concluded and MoU signed in December, 2022.