**Doctors Connect – Malaysia**

***Caring with compassion***

**Aim and Vision**

**Doctors Connect Foundation Malaysia**’s sole aim is in creating access for quality healthcare to remote inaccessible and poor socio-economic areas to provide quality medical screening and care for the needy and unfortunate irrespective of race, religion or nationality – all **FREE** of cost!

Our vision is unity in diversity - breaking boundaries of race religion and nationality and seeing one in all. Our mission is to provide free, high quality, and compassionate medical care to the underprivileged communities in Malaysia who have poor access to healthcare.

*“Rather, ten times, die in the surf, heralding the way to a new world, than stand idly on the shore” - Florence Nightingale*

**Services Provided**

**Fully equipped general clinic with vitals counter and ECG services**

**Fully fledged Pharmacy with high quality specialist medication**

**Medical aid sponsorship for the poor in need of basic eyewear, wheelchairs, walking aid etc**

**What is this portal about?**

This is a multiracial and a multi-faith group of healthcare professionals ranging from doctors, dentists, nurses, pharmacists, physiotherapists, nutritionists, counsellors and medical/dental students. We are a universal group strictly without any political agenda, and are not associated with any particular organisation, foundation or religious society. Our sole purpose is to work with different groups from all over Malaysia, to provide quality medical screening and care for the needy and unfortunate irrespective of race, religion or nationality.

Since August 2018, we have committed to medical service projects for adult & children, with core scope of services pertaining to 1) Outpatient clinic 2) Non communicable diseases 3) Cardiac screening 4) Dermatology 5) Dental screening 6) Optometry and vision screening 7) Maternal & child health.

Our team of committed healthcare professionals will work together to form a structured medical camp with emphasis on patient health and general well-being. The main emphasis is focused on health education and screening for early intervention to prevent complications.

In addition to the services provided, we try to actively look out for the very poor and destitute who are in need of medical/financial welfare, and sponsorship for the needy is provided from time to time. Patients who have unresolved issues are followed up from time to time by liaison doctors who work around the vicinity, creating a continuation of care. If there are available volunteers, physiotherapy is offered on an ad-hoc basis, especially to the abandoned elderly who often visit due to chronic aches and pains.

Volunteers for this medical project come from diverse backgrounds all over Malaysia and Singapore, and they work hand in hand with the diligent volunteers from Sai Ananda Foundation. Everyone who joins in is reminded before every camp that compassion for suffering and love for everyone irrespective of race religion position or nationality are the only necessary ingredients to make this service project a success.

**Why did we form this portal?**

One of the challenges we faced during each medical camp is inadequate medical and dental volunteers. This is the reason why we are linking up healthcare professionals all around Malaysia and the Asia Pacific region through this universal portal called Doctors Connect. We also aim to work with other countries to expand our pool of resources, so that we can do much more for the society collectively.

In the coming months, we will be launching a Doctors Connect website, which will showcase our work through different groups all over Asia Pacific region and more importantly, share stories of love and transformation by volunteers. We hope that with this move, more and more people will be inspired to take up volunteer work for the betterment of society and the world.

The other reason for forming this portal is to assure all healthcare professionals who have volunteered here, that the medical camps we host will be of a certain standard. Medical camps here are mainly organised by doctors, as we aim to use our experience to provide the maximal benefit to the poor and needy patients.

We hope to increase our volunteers base in Malaysia by 50% through this new portal and hope to conduct one medical camp per month from the current once in two or three months.

For doctors, a well-run medical camp is like dining at a good restaurant, chances to come back are high if the food is good. Therefore, all our events are carefully planned in advance by our medical and non-medical think-tank team, to ensure we select the right area that is genuinely in need of help, and deliver what is appropriately needed to them. In the end, it should be a win-win situation for everyone, as our patients and our volunteers should feel happy and good after every camp.

If we can work together despite all our differences, to reach out and help the poor and needy, then this effort to unite people through Doctors Connect will truly be a worthwhile cause. And in return, we should feel good after every event and eventually transform to become better individuals in time to come, which is the ultimate objective of these events.    
  
Please feel free to provide any suggestions for improvement or if you know of any areas that are in need of dire medical care. Also, we hope to keep you interested and motivated as time goes by, but at any time if you have to leave the group due to personal reasons, please do so, no hard feelings at all. There will be absolutely no reasons or apologies needed, and we wish you only the very best.

Once again, it’s truly a privilege to know each of you, and we hope to do some good work with all of you at some point in time.

Thank you for your time in reading this and joining the cause, and have a great weekend ahead!

**Statistics**

**5 REGULAR VILLAGES ADOPTED**

**497 PATIENTS SEEN TILL DATE WITH REGULAR FOLLOW UP CAMPS**

**100-120 PATIENTS SCREENED PER MEDICAL CAMP**

**6 SPECIALITIES OFFERED**

**Future Plans**

**Healthcare awareness:** systematic health talks will be conducted in batches for all patients who visit medical camps, with the sole purpose of uplifting health awareness

**Ophthalmology:** to get a team of ophthalmologists to help assess and screen patients with diabetic retinopathy, glaucoma, cataract and refractions, and engage in education and early intervention. Future equipment: A slit lamp.

**Mobile pathology:** A portable laboratory to provide value in our screening and help detect nutritional anaemias, chronic infections, renal diseases, cholesterol issues and complications of lifestyle disease. Once detected, emphasis is on education and early intervention. Future equipment: A mobile lab.

**Ultrasound services:** to help provide quality screening for rural villagers for gynaecology diseases, as well as pregnant mothers, and ensure that that women’s health in rural areas are not neglected due to lack of education or poor socioeconomic conditions. Future equipment: A portable ultrasound machine.

**Blog/Post**

This portal should also have a blog/post for the following three categories **Medicare, Sociocare, Upcoming Events, Recent Camp Feedback.** These will each contain post based on the topic and **only** **members can provide comments/feedback** on the posting which will be **vetted by admin before post is accepted**. Non-members can only view the postings.

This portal will require a very **simple login process** and the login button should be made small and should be located on the right hand side of the screen preferably at the top.

There should also be a place to showcase all the medical camps that are being conducted by the team. The images of such medical camps are provided for four such camps. The complete writeup content of these 4 mobile medical camps are given in the appendix of this document.

**Colour:** The pages should be consistent in design and colours should be based on the logo given.

**Landing Page**

A very attractive hero/landing image will be good to have with a very visible neat CTA button for new volunteers to sign up to be come members. A simple **sign-up form** will be required for this purpose. The desired input for this form is as shown in the appendix. Please provide some basic validation checks during the user input.

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**Below are additional resource information.**

**Useful Links for examples:**

Medical Camps: <https://www.saiananda.org/2019/03/10/a-medical-camp-for-the-orang-asli-in-dengkil/>

Stats Display: <https://srisathyasaisanjeevani.org> (example how stats are displayed with graphic icons)

**Images**

All images given are stored in the image folder. You **are not** obliged to use all of the images in the folder, pick and use what you think is the best for the pages you are creating. You can also download some free images to use from <https://pixabay.com>

**Logos**

There is a folder with all the different formats of the logo. Use what you need and be consistent through the pages. You can also edit the logo to some extent remove tag lines etc. Please check with the lecturer in charge before doing this change.

**Backend processing**

Since this project will only involve the front end processing hence the requirement of having a login form and sign-up form will entail backend database access. You only need to create the forms with input validation checks and display the user inputs on a pop-up whenever the submit button is clicked, No backend processing required for this assignment.

**Appendix – Sign up Form Details**

**Volunteer Registration Form**

**1) First Name**

**2) Last Name**

**3) Gender**

**4) Date of Birth**

**5) Address**

**6) Phone Number**

**7) Email Address**

**8) Current Employer**

9) **Occupation**

**Doctor** (scrolling option)

-Family Medicine

-Internal Medicine

-Cardiology

-Dermatology

-Emergency Medicine

-Endocrinology

-Geriatric Medicine

-Obstetrics & Gynaecology

-Ophthalmology

-Paediatric Medicine

-Psychiatry

-Public Health

-Respiratory Medicine

-Rheumatology

-Others: Please specify (open text)

**Dentist**

-Dentist

-Dental Therapist

-Oral Health Therapist

**Nurse**

-Community Health

-Critical Health

**Allied Health Professional**

-Dietician

-Medical Social Worker

-Occupational Therapist

-Optometrist

-Pharmacist

-Psychologist

-Speech Therapist

**Student**

-Medical

-Dental

-Nursing

-Pharmacy

**10) Interest volunteering in**? Please tick/check

-Medical outreach camps

-Free medical clinics

-Child heart hospitals

-Other ad hoc events

**11) Preferred volunteer location**? Please tick/check

- Within Klang Valley

- Anywhere in Malaysia

- Anywhere in Asia Pacific

**Content for Medical Completed:**

**Kerling – Mobile Medical Camp – 7 October 2018**

Kerling is a small town in Hulu Selangor, famous for its tin mines and rubber plantations. Kerling has always been a small town. It played second fiddle to nearby areas like Kuala Kubu Baru and Rasa in the heydays of tin mining. These days, especially on weekends, people visit Kerling for it famous hot spring. While some rubber plantations still stand, many have made way for either palm oil plantations or small housing estates.

The town itself comprises two rows of shophouses. The wet market in the town centre, has been abandoned by traders in favour of the bigger and better one at Kuala Kubu Baru town.

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**Statistics:**

25 Medical volunteers

15 auxiliary volunteers

150 patients screened

6 specialties offered

**Kerling – Mobile Medical Camp – 16 December 2018**

Kerling is a small town in Hulu Selangor, famous for its tin mines and rubber plantations. Kerling has always been a small town. It played second fiddle to nearby areas like Kuala Kubu Baru and Rasa in the heydays of tin mining. These days, especially on weekends, people visit Kerling for it famous hot spring. While some rubber plantations still stand, many have made way for either palm oil plantations or small housing estates.

This was the 2nd Mobile Medical Camp held there this time with a more stronger group of volunteers. About 35 of the dedicated volunteers comprising of doctors, dentists, pharmacists, dermatologist , medical assistants and optometrist were present to provide their services. More than 280 local residents of Kerling town received the free medical screening and relevant medication from the medical officers. Any of them were follow-up cases from the previous visit in January 2018.

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**Statistics:**

35 Medical volunteers

20 auxiliary volunteers

280 patients screened

6 specialties offered

**Dengkil – Orang Asli – Mobile Medical Camp – 13 January 2019**

On 13 Jan 2019, we were privileged to serve the Orang Asli community in Dengkil, Selangor. Dengkil is a mukim in Sepang District, Selangor, Malaysia.

The town lies between Cyberjaya and the Multimedia Super Corridor to the north, and Salak Tinggi to the south. Hidden between Putrajaya and Cyberjaya, a community of Temuan orang asli is living in isolation sandwiched by modern living. They have travel some 17km from their small wooden house to a government clinic in Dengkil if anyone fell ill.

Early communications with village elders revealed that many of the members of the villagers were seeking medical screening and medical attention. Often, these orang asli communities are situated far from major cities and as a result, have a difficult time finding quality healthcare as they need it. These communities are often under served and as results they face various challenges living a normal life.

A team was set up to run a mobile medical camp event at Dengkil. The team consisted of 9 doctors, 2 registered nurses, 3 pharmacists and a number of other volunteers from various backgrounds. Three of our volunteers travelled all the way from Singapore to participate in this camp. The objective of this medical camp was to provide free health screening on lifestyle related diseases and consultation based on patients’ needs The programme enables the community to undergo general health screening for non-communicable diseases such as diabetes and high blood pressure, among others.

More than 90 individuals were screened, and the team took every effort to meet and address all of their medical concerns. We spoke about healthy lifestyle, healthy eating habits and also recorded the BMI and nourishment status of each child in the village. We will be monitoring these patients and do a follow up with then during our next visit.

General conclusion drawn was that most children in this village do not have proper breakfast, having poor appetite and poor memory due to various reasons.

The success of these camps depends on our volunteers. Their time, effort, and fundraising is what keeps these life-saving camps alive. Medical students who attend the camps report the experience as having a massive impact on their personal and professional development and find it very rewarding indeed.

**Statistics:**

14 Medical volunteers

10 auxiliary volunteers

90 patients screened

6 specialties offered

**Kalumpang - Mobile Medical Camp – 23 June 2019**

Kalumpang Campus is under the auspices of MySkills Foundation of Malaysia who are working towards transforming At-Risk Youths, equipping them with the right skills and placing them with proper jobs so they can be gainfully employed.

We for the first time organized this free medical camp at Kalumpang Campus, co-organizing with Sai Ananda Nilayam. Sai Ananda Nilayam is a noble spiritual movement envisioned to provide voluntary medical assistance for almost 15 years. From bi-annual camps, they have grown to organize on a monthly basis and at times going to various remote regions of the country giving free medical assistance to people who are unable to get them.

The town Kalumpang has a population of about 3,000. Slightly over an hour’s drive from Kuala Lumpur, the town sits on the fringe of Selangor and to some city dwellers, it is a retreat they escape to over the weekend. The whole town has a mixture of Malay and Chinese villages coming from diverse economic background.

Medical screening and medical attention and awareness on good hygiene practices were given to the students of this campus. Many of our students were from dysfunctional environment that lack basic human values and personal hygiene. They face tremendous challenges to overcome these difficulties just to get back on track to lead a normal life.

About 30 of the dedicated volunteers comprising of doctors, dentists, pharmacists, dermatologist , medical assistants and optometrist were present to provide their services. More than 150 students and local residents of Kalumpang town received the free medical screening and relevant medication from the medical officers.

**Statistics:**

30 Medical volunteers

20 auxiliary volunteers

150 patients screened

6 specialties offered