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PRESS RELEASE

**February 6, 2015
FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

Hundreds of Children to Benefit From Free Paediatric Clinics

A US-based medical mission arrived in the island today (February 6) for a week-long mission to provide voluntary paediatric services to children between the ages of zero to twenty.

The Mission, ISMS Operation Kids from New Jersey comprises nine doctors, nine nurses and support staff who will be performing general pediatric services, some 50 plastic and orthopaedic surgeries while distributing free medication.

The team which is visiting the island for the first time will begin screening for surgeries tomorrow (February 7) at the May Pen Hospital. The surgeries will be done daily at the Hospital; however, general paediatric clinics will be at the Oliver Gardens Seventh-day Adventist Church on Sunday, February 8, the Chapelton Hospital on Monday, February 9, the Lionel Town Hospital on Tuesday, February 10 and at the Cutting Edge Oasis Medical and Surgi-Centre at Mocho on Wednesday, February 11.

On Thursday, February 12, the mission will be at the Windsor School of Special Education on the Denbigh Showground while on Friday, February 13 the team will be at the Parade Gardens Health Fair in downtown Kingston.

Senior Medical Officer at the May Pen Hospital, Dr. Bradley Edwards noted that while the services will be offered at mainly Clarendon locations; children from across the island will be able to benefit. He added that the Southern Regional Health Authority which operates the May Pen Hospital is grateful for the initiative which will help many children who would normally have to travel to the Bustamante Hospital for Children to access these services.

The initiative is a partnership with the May Pen Hospital, the ISMS Operation Kids and the May Pen Rotary Club.

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