



# SOUTHERN REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY

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## PRESS RELEASE

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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:**

### **J\$9.6 Million Donation to Boost Healthcare in Southern Region From Jamalco**

The healthcare capacity in the Southern Regional Health Authority (SRHA) facilities will be boosted through the commitment of J\$9.6 million dollars from bauxite/alumina company Jamalco. The first of two disbursements valued at \$4.8 million was handed over to the SRHA on Thursday, April 15 at the Jamalco office in Clarendon.

The first payment will purchase 10 wheelchairs, 30 automatic hand soap dispensers, 30 hand sanitizers, 25 foot operated faucets, 10 hand dryers, a hand drill and an orthopaedic saw. The second tranche of funds which will be disbursed subsequently will purchase stretchers and beds.

According to Regional Director of the SRHA, Michael Bent, the region has been focused on improving its services and offerings in several areas such as quality assurance which the donation will help to improve.

“The southern region will be commencing orthopaedic services at the May Pen Hospital shortly and the donation which will purchase some orthopedic items have come at an opportune time. This will certainly boost our capacity to deliver efficient and effective services and we are most grateful to Jamalco. As a region, we support public-private partnerships and we thank Jamalco for their support and look forward to continued partnerships” Mr. Bent said.

The Southern Regional Health Authority and Jamalco has enjoyed a longstanding relation which Corporate Services Manager, Donna-Marie Brooks-Gordon noted extends beyond the parish of Clarendon as the company has given support to other facilities within the region which covers Clarendon, Manchester and St. Elizabeth.

“This donation will not solve the problems in the region but it is a start and we want to help to assist with the challenges. Jamalco takes its social responsibility seriously and we are committed to helping with the social renewal of communities” Mrs. Brooks Gordon pointed out.

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**Healthcare boost in southern region:** Regional Director of the SRHA, Michael Bent (centre) accepts a cheque valued at \$4.8 million from Jamalco CEO, Antonio Melo (3<sup>rd</sup> left) while (left to right) Jamalco's General Counsel Sonia Mitchell and Corporate Services Manager, Donna-Marie Brooks-Gordon, Clarendon Health Services Parish Manager, Joseph Grant, May Pen Hospital Senior Medical Officer, Dr. Bradley Edwards and Councillor of the Rocky Point Division, Winston Maragh look on.

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