

# Memorandum of understanding

between

- **Le Mete Ghana NGO**

Hse No NK1  
Nanton Street, Kanvili, Tamale, Ghana.

- **Le Mete Onlus, Italy**

Strada Vecchia Valenza, 10  
15040 - Ticineto, AL, Italia

and

## **Tamale Teaching Hospital**

Salaga road  
P.O.Box TI 16, Tamale, Ghana

### **1. PURPOSE**

Le Mete Ghana NGO and Tamale Teaching Hospital hereby enter into an agreement for the purpose of sharing information, enhancing health care and promoting access to health care with particular emphasis on children, women and other identifiable vulnerable groups.

### **2. BACKGROUND**

- 2.1. Tamale Teaching Hospital (TTH) provides tertiary level health care for the three Northern Regions of Ghana and is the main teaching facility for the School of Medicine and Health Sciences of the University for Development Studies (UDS) as well as other allied health training institutions.
- 2.2. Le Mete Ghana and its Italian sister, Le Mete ONLUS Italia, are non profit, non governmental organizations (NGO) which seek to promote the delivery of health care to children, women and other vulnerable groups by harnessing resources from voluntary donors.
- 2.3. Le Mete ONG Ghana is committed in teaching, training medicine and surgery students, nurses and to organize local and foreigners volunteer specialists to visit the Centre to offer direct clinical services and skills transfer to local counterparts, students and allied health groups.
- 2.4. Both Le Mete:

- a. shall provide a modern surgical theatre (the Centre) for Urological and other related surgical services.
- b. are committed to raising funds from private and corporate sources both locally and abroad to support their programs.
- c. plan to enter into agreement with other stake holders in Ghana including Ghana Government Ministries, Departments and Agencies (MDAs), to promote our universal access to health care with particular reference to children, women and other vulnerable and underserved groups.
- d. are committed to ensuring affordability and financial access and thereby securing self-sustenance for the medium to long term.
- e. all services provided by the Centre in collaboration with Tamale Teaching Hospital shall meet all ethical requirements as pertains internationally and specifically as required by Ghanaian laws, regulations and policies.
- f. through the Centre shall provide a modern surgical environment for patients referred from the peripheral health facilities

2.5 In consideration of the mutual agreements cautioned herein, the parties intending to be legally bound agree that:

- a. Tamale Teaching Hospital will provide support and assistance to the Both Le Mete during its performance of Medical and Health promotion.
- b. All programs will be approved in writing prior to announcement of activities by the president of Le Mete ONLUS Italia or his representative and the Chief Executive Officer of the Tamale Teaching Hospital.
- c. Tamale Teaching Hospital will assist the Centre with such services as sterilization of instruments and consumables as pertains in other departments of the hospital on a non commercial basis.
- d. The Centre will offer training to Tamale Teaching Hospital staff, including relevant staff categories as well as trainees who use TTH as a training facility after formal requests have been made.
- e. Le Mete Ghana, mostly through outreach activities in villages, will give hygienic sanitary notions especially to women.

### **3. RESPONSIBILITIES**

3.1 Tamale Teaching Hospital agrees to:

- a. Assist in the promotion of activities directed at children, women and other identifiable vulnerable groups.

- b. Endorse protocols mutually agreed to and received by both parties.
- c. Facilitate access to funding for applicable programs by providing letters of endorsement. Introduction to key persons and sharing of information in the capacity as an equal partner for programs mutually consented to and approved by its Chief Executive Officer and the President of Le Mete ONLUS and Le Mete Ghana NGO.
- d. Provide qualified personnel to participate in quality assurance, health promotion, education and other relevant activities agreed upon by both parties.
- e. Make available on non-commercial terms services such as sterilization, oxygen supply and conference facilities for the running of the Centre and the promotion of its activities.

### 3.2 Le Mete ONLUS Italia and Le Mete Ghana NGO agree to:

- a. Provide a modern Centre for urological and related surgical services with emphasis on children, women and other vulnerable groups.
- b. Raise funds locally and abroad to support the activities of the Centre.
- c. Ensure that the Centre achieves self sufficiency and runs sustainable programs. Especially promoting National Health Insurance.
- d. Provide from time to time international expertise for the purpose of carrying out services at the Centre as well as training local staff and students.
- e. Assist in organizing applicable training programs, workshops and conferences for Doctors, Nurses, Medical and Nursing Students.
- f. Provide access to data for all joint programs included in the MOU including Project Plans, Assessment Reports and Final Reports.
- g. Promote health education giving information and education planning party or individual teaching sessions especially dedicated to women, traditionally family/village healthcare consignees.

## 4. EFFECTIVE DATE OF IMPLEMENTATION

This agreement becomes effective upon the completion of the signatures of both parties and remains in effect, unless sooner terminated in accordance herewith, for a period of five years. At the end of the initial five years period, the agreement can be renewed if agreed upon by all parties in writing for an additional five years. If either party desires not to renew the agreement after any five year period, they will notify the other party in writing at least ninety (90) days prior to

the expiration of the current five year period that it does not desire further renewal.

## 5. TERMINATION

This agreement may be terminated at anytime by mutual agreement and immediate effect. Alternatively either party may unilaterally terminate at any time by giving the other party written notice at least one hundred and eighty (180) days prior to the desired termination date to allow for decisions regarding ongoing activities.

## 6. MODIFICATION

The only method by which the agreement may be modified is by a formal, written document signed by both parties. No other modifications, whether oral or written, are valid.

## 7. ASSIGNMENT

Le Mete ONLUS Italia shall have the right to assign this agreement to its Ghanaian sister, Le mete Ghana ONG. All other instances neither party shall assign this agreement or obligations hereunder to any third party without prior consent of the other party.

## 8. APPROVALS

### **Tamale Teaching Hospital**

**Name:**

**Title: CEO**

**Signature: .....**

**Date:**

### **Le Mete Onlus**

**Name: Franco Iacometti**

**Title: President**

**Signature.....**

**Date:**

### **Le Mete Ghana**

**Name: Akis Afoko**

**Title: President**

**Signature.....**

**Date**