



BOYS BENEFIT FROM CIRCUMCISION DRIVE IN HANDUMANAN, BACOLOD CITY

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The surgical mission drive continues to reach out for another set of school-age boys set to undergo a procedure customarily followed by most male Filipinos, circumcision.

The Order of Asclepius, together with the Rotaract Club of Bacolod South continues to provide free circumcision at Handumanan I Elementary School, Barangay Handumanan, Bacolod City, Negros Occidental on April 12, 2015.

A total of 150 boys aged 8 – 16 years old pre-registered for the said event and 121 of them were successfully circumcised. Pain medications and antibiotics were given to participants as well as health education for home care of the surgical site were provided.

The day-long activity sought to

provide accessible and free surgical services to our countrymen in the community setting. It also depicts the Order of Asclepius' thrust to uphold brotherhood in medicine through service.

It can be noted that the Order of Asclepius partnered with the Rotary Club of Bacolod South for a two-day surgical mission in the same institution which benefited some 200 school-age boys.

The said activity was made possible through the support of the following: Dr. Chris Sorongon (Batch 24), Rotaract Club of Bacolod South, St. Paul University-Iloilo Jesubelles Batch '70, Handumanan I Elementary School Parent-Teacher Association, Handumanan Barangay Council, medical students of West Visayas

State university and University of St. La Salle Bacolod.#

Schedule of Activities for April:

April 15	Surgical Mission at Iloilo City invited by Doctors in Touch
April 16	Surgical Mission at Brgy. 35, Bacolod City invited by Phoenix and Rotaract North
April 18	Surgical Mission at Panaad, Bacolod City invited by ABS-CBN Foundation
April 22	Surgical Mission at Aklan invited by HABLON
April 26	Surgical Mission at UPV Miag-ao, Iloilo invited by UP Ichthyophilic Society

Schedule is subject to changes. For inquiries, you may contact JLA Ma. Celine Villo — 09327884751