Marrying Clinical and Public Health

The Role of Leadership

Young Physicians Leaders Programme

2016
Compartmentalization of Health
Segregation of Physicians

• Specially between clinical and public health physicians
• Territorial protection
• Struggles, Disagreement, Disrespect and Fierce Battles
Challenges: Disease Burden
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A: Awareness: Recognizing Malaria!

B: Bite prevention: Controlling Mosquitoes!

C: Chemoprophylaxis: Use Preventive Medication!

D: Diagnosis: Early Recognition!
CALL FOR LEADERSHIP
The Spectator appeal helps eliminate scabies from Ho Prisons

From Alberto Mario Noretti, Ho

The compassion and sacrifices of Dr. Mary Ashinyo, Ho Polyclinic for inmates helped to eliminate the ailment. The Spectator reported that scabies is a skin disease which causes irritation and redness on the prisoners.

Suffering from the ailment, Victor Agbelengor, Director of Prisons, called for more public spiritedness among people like Dr. Ashinyo. The Director added that the money is not enough for some medications, but Dr. Ashinyo, on her part, paid out of pocket.

According to Dr. Ashinyo, a Fellow of the Mandela Washington Fellowship, who is often referred to by the inmates as an angel, also carried out regular health screenings on the prison officers and their families. Meanwhile, DDP Agbelengor said an organisation had donated drugs worth GH¢4,500 to the prison to cater for the inmates of the Ho Central Prison and also for those in the Kpando and the Kete Krachi prisons as well.

Dr. Mary Ashinyo, who healed the prisoners
Burden of snake envenoming in Sri Lanka / world

Sri Lanka
• 80,000 bites / year
• 480 deaths

World
• 2,000,000 bites / year
• 100,000 deaths

Problem:
No envenoming diagnosis test to decide antivenom treatment

Solution:
Envenoming diagnostic test

Diagnosis of snake envenomation using a simple phospholipase A2 assay
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