

Tygerberg and Red Cross Hospital

Cape town

Paediatric Urology Workshop



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Introduction

Kind cuts for Kids has had a very productive association with the South African surgical community and other subspecialties involved in the care of children with urological disease. The recent visit was focused on the Red Cross Children's Hospital and Tygerberg Hospital, but also included a telecast lecture from Croote Schuur Hospital.

There have been nine previous visits of Kind Cuts for Kids to South Africa that have included a surgeon from Papua New Guinea, and have resulted in connections to both Ghana and Zimbabwe; including this visit, 48 children have undergone complex surgery.

Financial support for the visit was provided by both the Red Cross Children's Hospital and the Tygerberg University.

Clinical Work

The first two days of the visit were to review, and assist with management of, patients at the Red Cross Children's Hospital; present the academic grand round; participate in the clinic-radiological meeting and operate on selected, complex cases.

The grand round topic was "surgery as art and science", which attracted a large audience that included the two additional members of the Kind Cuts team, namely Olivia Wilkinson, a senior medical student from England and Dr Baton Kelmendi, a Paediatric Surgeon from Kosova.

Nine patients were seen at the Red Cross Children's Hospital and four had surgery; all seven of the children reviewed at the Tygerberg hospital had surgery, and all the surgery was photographically recorded and much of it was video recorded for teaching and learning opportunities.

Three lectures

1. Red Cross – Academic Grand Round – Surgery as art and science
2. Tygerberg – Problem and solutions in Paediatric Urology.
3. Croote Schuur – Hernia, ureterocele and other little tricks - webinar

Patients

Tygerberg – 7 seen; 7 operated

Red Cross – 9 seen; 4 operated