



Benedict Menni Rehabilitation Centre

Our mission in Liberia provides care for disabled children through a programme of specialized care. The centre offers an Outpatient Unit, a Rehabilitation Centre and an Orthopaedic Workshop.

The numbers

Here are the figures showing the number of patients seen in some of the health centre's various departments in 2014:

- **Outpatients:** 5,791
- **Births:** 164
- **Laboratory:** 4,666

Location

The centre stands on the southern outskirts of Monrovia, Liberia's capital, in the upper Paynesville, Pipeline Road.

About our work in Liberia

Sisters Hospitallers arrived in Liberia in 1966 to offer their services for the benefit of orphaned and abandoned children. Gradually our work extended to include children suffering from polio and other congenital or acquired physical disabilities. Liberia has the one of the world's highest child mortality, something we are working to change. Over the years, the Congregation developed a programme of specialized care, and now offers the following services.

Centre Services

Rehabilitation Centre

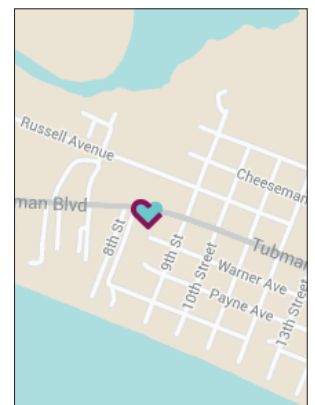
The main objective of the centre is to improve the quality of life for children with physical disabilities, and their families. It has the capacity to care for 40 children aged one year and over. The children stay in the centre for a period of anything from six months to two years, depending on their rehabilitation needs. Generally these children come from very poor families who are unable to contribute towards their care. There are six physiotherapists at the centre responsible for rehabilitation work. Facilities include a gym fitted with furniture and apparatus to aid the process of rehabilitation. The physical rehabilitation fits into the daily routine of the children, so their basic developmental needs are looked after whilst at the centre. When operations are needed, these are performed by our surgeon, Dr Robert M Kpoto, in his own clinic in Monrovia.

Orthopaedic Workshop

The professional workshop team comprises one orthopaedic technician and two assistants. They make prosthetic limbs and cater for the Rehabilitation Centre and also for outside requests.

Health Centre

This unit provides healthcare services for a regional population of 20,000. It includes a maternity unit, a clinical analysis laboratory and can carry patients to hospital in emergencies. It focuses particularly on vaccination campaigns and on overcoming child malnutrition. The Unit is open 24 hours a day and is staffed by 23 local professionals. The clinic remained open to care for people during the recent civil war.



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