

**CHEpS 16<sup>th</sup> Eye Camp**

**Kavumbi Dispensary, Mwala District, Eastern Province, Kenya**

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**Introduction**

CHEpS joined ICAP, Columbia University's CSR free medical camp at rural Eastern Province, Kenya, to conduct an eye camp. The venue was Kavumbi Dispensary in rural Eastern Province, a recently build health facility serving about 10,000 people. The eye camp was sponsored by Beta Charitable Trust of UK.

**Results**

Over 300 local people received various health services provided at the camp free of charge. Half of these had eye problems and were served by the CHEpS team. Of the 153 people screened, 49 were given spectacles for reading, 52 given eye drops for allergy and infections. The local people served, health administration, health facility staff appreciated the services very much. Many of the ICAP staff were also screened for visual problems. Dr. Mark Hawken, the Country Director of ICAP, in his speech, thanked CHEpS and Beta Charitable Trust of UK for joining the medical camp and serving the people with free eye care services.

**Summary of activities:**

ACTIVITY	NUMBER OF PEOPLE SERVED
Total number served	153
Number with cataract (to be operated)	9
Presbyopia (difficulty with near vision)	49
Myopia (difficulty distant vision)	24
Spectacles dispensed	49
Conjunctivitis	45
Eye drops given	52



On way to eye camp venue



Young boys going to farm



CHEpS team with ICAP leadership



Eye checkup in progress



ICAP Country Director also got his eyes checked



Getting near vision tested



Medical students volunteered to screen for eye conditions at the camp



Child with allergic eye condition



Blood pressure and sugar were also checked



Cataract blindness. Surgery to be arranged soon for those found with this at the camp