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A Trip Report from Nancy McGaughey serving in South Sudan

Bor/Pariak/Minkamen
27/28 February 2015

Friday, 27 February — Dalia and I travelled to Bor. The flight was delayed, so we were late arriving in Bor. Dr. Madit met us at Bor airport and we travelled from there to Pariak PHCC. The prefab clinic is on site, in the container. The ground for the clinic is cleared. Currently the ANC clinic is being staffed by two TBAs. There have been 11 deliveries at the clinic during the



month of February. Staff at the clinic (clinic in charge) are under the impression that the container has two separate buildings. We then returned to Bor.

As the boat had not yet returned from an early morning trip to Minkamen, we checked into the hotel and had lunch. Then we proceeded to Minkamen, where we were warmly welcomed by the Bor State Hospital Outreach staff. We were also joined by Dr. Michael from UNFPA.



to clinic manager.

After a tour of the facilities we sat down to discuss the future of the clinic after March. Dr. Michael said UNFPA was interested in keeping the clinic open as it provides a vital service to the community there. It is clear that UNFPA is not interested in supporting incentives to hospital staff in Bor. It was agreed that we would look for another NGO that might be interested in taking over the clinic for the rest of 2015, recognizing that the current success of the clinic is due to the staff from Bor Hospital. Money for February salaries and March operating expenses were given

We then returned to Bor, arriving at 6:30 pm.

Saturday, 28 February — Returned to Juba.

Action Points/Recommendations:

Pariak

1. Floor plan and blueprint for pre-fab clinic should be shared with Dr. Madit and SMC
2. Plans should be made with SMC for training of HHPs to enhance uptake of service at the new clinic.
3. The clinic needs to be erected as soon as possible
4. SMC needs to ensure that there will be a midwife to manage the new clinic.



Minkamen

1. Tereza to make a list of equipment brought from Bor Hospital that will need to be returned.
2. Nancy to approach another NGO about taking over the clinic at the current funding level the last week of March.
3. Dr. Michael to work with UNFPA and with staff on site for smooth handover.

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