

At the Military Hospital, at Wilberforce members were also addressed and their misconceptions clarified.

Other hospitals visited were:

The Choithram Memorial Hospital, Lumley Government Hospital, the Kingharman Road Hospital, Bluesheld Hospital At the far east; Jenner Wright clinic United Methodist Hospital at Urban Centre and the Rokupa Government Hospital at Wellington.

The membership of the SLNA is about 300 registered and partly paid members. Members are encourage to participate in all activities and training programmes organised by the association.

In the year 2010, the association plan calendar of event will be made public in order to encourage members to participate.



Cross section of 6 BSc Hons. 29 RNs, 62 SECHN graduating students of the year 2009 of the Faculty of Nursing.



The association will advocate with the Ministry of Health and Sanitation for the early absorption of grandaunts before they and seek greener pastures

Brief History of the Sierra Leone Nurses Association (SLNA)

The Sierra Leone Nurses Association was inaugurated in March 1961, following a visit by Miss Ruth Martin a representative of the International Council of Nurses (ICN). Miss Martin was visiting Sierra Leone on a family planning project and she was surprised to learn that there was no association of trained nurses in the country and stress the importance of forming such an association at a meeting with trained nurses in the country.

The first president of the SLNA was Mrs. Mogibola Bol-Adams and first secretary was Miss. Josephine Demby a nursing sister.

In 1964 Miss. Sheila Quinn a vice president of ICN visited Sierra Leone and promised to propose SLNA as a member of ICN, consequently, Sierra Leone was accepted as member of ICN at the quadrennial congress held in Frankfurt, Germany in 1965. The delegation was lead by Miss Cynthia Younge later Pratt who was then general secretary.



The above picture show nurses at the Emergency Surgical Hospital at Goderich. They work for long hours and are very much interested in continuous training programmes to update their knowledge with current trends



The Marie Stopes clinic which offers services in Maternal and Family Planning was also visited.

Members were concerned about renewal of their licences and benefit of the SLNA. The main government maternity hospital PCMH was also later visited were members raised concerned about health insurance policy, salary structure and poor work environment. These issues seems to cut across for every member in government and private hospitals. They were promised that their concerns will be address appropriately.