Australia hosts NCD Child Organisation

A dinner in support of the Non-Communicable Disease (NCD) Child Organisation was hosted by Australian High Commissioner Ross Tyson and his wife Helen Saundersen at the embassy’s residence, Moka, Mauritius, last Tuesday.

The dinner brought local and international guest speakers and participants together to exchange ideas before a two-day conference which was held last Thursday and Friday at the Epsital Agency, Port-of-Spain.

Minister of Health Dr. Fuad Khan and St. George Alloys, Chancellor, University of the West Indies (UWI) Cave Hill, Barbados, addressed guests.

The NCD Child organisation is a global coalition championing the rights and needs of children, adolescents and youth who are living with non-communicable diseases, or at risk of developing NCDs.

The conference aimed to further develop a robust platform for information exchange, knowledge sharing, and collaboration.

The 2014 event provided an opportunity to establish and strengthen regional partnerships with a special focus on the Caribbean.

The organisation works collaboratively to ensure that issues related to NCDs, children, adolescents and youth are effectively addressed and prioritised in global and national policies, programmes and development agendas.

Above: Guests and participants listen to a presentation.
Left: Dr. James Hoskins, executive director, Caribbean Public Health Agency (CARPHA), and Dr. Kalo Armstrong.

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