

RVTH

Royal Victoria Teaching Hospital

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17 dispensing assistants graduated

RVTH recently graduated 17 Dispensing Assistants after 15 months of training.

At the graduation ceremony were Dr Tala Jallow, Chief Pharmacist, Department of state for Health & Social Welfare, Dr Mariatou Jallow, Acting Director of Health Services, Dr Pamela Esangbedo, Chief Medical Director, Mr Essa Marenah, Acting Principal Pharmacist, Senior Management, friends and relatives of graduands.

In her keynote address Dr T Jallow noted that the training of dispensing assistants is considerably gaining momentum, citing the large number of graduands annually.

Essa Marenah, acting Principal Pharmacist, RVTH, said the Pharmacy Assistant cadre is a very important component of the National Pharmaceutical Services as they form the majority of Pharmacy personnel in this country.

Mr Marenah said Pharmacists both in the public and private sector carried out the 15-month training. Apart from the lectures; he went on, the training also focuses on practical, attitude/discipline and assessment.

The best student award went to Jatou Jaye while Isatou Mbye emerged as the most discipline and hard working student. Makieue Janneh Kaira, Principal Pharmacist at the Central Medical Stores chaired the ceremony.