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Report on the use of HD Fono Doc Equipment

To understand the feasibility of using the HD fono equipment.

Place of study : **Kaniyambadi Block, Vellore HUD**

Two day training was given to Doctors and Staff nurses on how to use the equipment.

No of doctors trained : 7

No of staff nurses trained : 10

No of patients for whom examination was done : 1976

No of patients who were found to have murmurs with the stethoscope : 0

No of patients who were found to have murmurs using HD Fono Doc : 8

Feedback from the health team regarding the usage of HD fono Doc

- Equipment is quiet handy
- Able to hear clearly heart beat.
- Graphical presentation was an added advantage.
- The facility for adjusting the audible range (for different age group and type of body is good.) was useful in noisy room i.e. during OP and outdoor (school)
- Detection of murmur was easy in comparison with existing --- stethoscope.
- The Equipment along with printer with little bit of cost reduction will help a lot in Rural Mass.

Note: The health team before putting into use the HD Fono Doc was allowed to familiarize with the equipment for a week.


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