

**Strengthening the dental unit of Mgolole Health Centre – Morogoro
Tanzania**



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This Agreement is between APA (Friends for Africa) ODV represented by Dr. Dino Azzalin,
President, located in Via Manzoni 22, 21100 Varese Italia

And

Dr. Alfonso Alfredo Ferrauti, main sponsor (APA- ODV) located in Via Germanico 96 00192 Roma

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Mgolole Health Centre Morogore Tanzania P.O. Box 1049 represented by Sister Peter Marshal

Whereas:

A.P.A. Friends for Africa is a volunteer association that works in the dental field. A.P.A. officially born in 1999, but already in 1992 the first volunteer dentists, later founders, started collaboration with the Nkubu Hospital, a Kenyan village near Mount Kenya. A.P.A. is a laic and non-religious association whose main goal is to improve the overall quality of dental services by providing supplies and equipment and carrying out training activities for the local staff as well. Thanks to the missions of volunteers, such as dentists, dental technicians or assistants, A.P.A. aims at sending and installing the needed material for the health facility as well as to assess the quality of service provided in order to implement and strengthen the quality of services related to dental health.

The Mbolole Health Centre is located in the outskirts, 6 km, of Morogoro City Center. Built in 1997 belongs to Moyo Safi Wa Maria Congregation at Mbolole and was recognized By Sister Prudenzianna, Superior Mother of Hearth of Mary. The health facility is formally recognised by the Government as a Health Centre with a catchment area of six villages with a population of approximately 16.000 people.

The Centre includes: the Adult Clinic, the Reproductive and Child Health (RCH), the Care and Treatment Centre (CTC), with a total of sixteen beds. A Laboratory is also available for diagnostic services.

The present Dental Office is in very poor conditions with an old worn out chair without a lamp. There is no compressor as well as no handpieces. A dry sterilizer and a few tools limit the activities to perform extractions only. The people of the villages need better health care but being very poor can't afford to be treated at the Private Dental Clinics in the City. This is the main reason why the Centre is building two new rooms attached to the premises in the hope of the donation of a new dental chair assembled and in working condition. The Centre also needs

support and assistance in providing tools and materials as well as the help of Volunteers to train and improve the capabilities of the local staff.

PREMISE of the AGREEMENT:

The idea of the project was developed in 2021 on the request of the Director of the Health Centre, Sister Peter Marshal. to restore the existing old dental unit at Mologole Health Centre. According to this, A.P.A (Friends for Africa) started a collaboration with the Center aiming at providing a new dental chair and at sending A.P.A volunteers in order to improve the quality of the dental care and to strengthen the overall service, actually limited to extractive therapy only.

GENERAL OBJECTIVE OF THE AGREEMENT:

The objective of the collaboration is to evaluate the need of dental care and to supply a new dental unit with tools and consumables and the training of the personnel in charge of the unit.

ACTIVITIES:

Need assessment of the necessity of dental service through the mission of expatriate volunteers.
Provide the necessary materials and equipment.

- Purchase of disposable material including: gowns, gloves, sterile headband, scalpel, suture, gauze, wipes, special waste goggles, needles, anesthetics;
- Purchase of a complete dental unit with a unit, surgical suction system, new ultrasound, light-curing lamp;
- Supply of specific instruments for diagnosis (spatulas, endodontic instruments, surgical instruments including clamps, levers, hooks and dams for fillings, etc);
- Supply of materials for sterilization and cleaning of surgical instruments (disinfectants,

- tools for cold sterilization).
- Training on the job and follow-up activities for the local staff through missions of expatriate volunteers.

Role and responsibilities of the Center

The Mgolole Health Center will ensure that the aims of the project will be respected by actively collaborating with A.P.A (Friends for Africa).

The Centre is committed to proceed with the purchase of materials and equipment after an initial periodo of 48 months, to supervise the work of staff and is responsible for the proper use and maintenance of the equipment provided. It is also committed to provide the right salaries for the dentist and the assistant since the delivery of the unit.

Role and responsibilities of A.P.A. ODV

A.P.A. (Friends for Africa) is committed to carry out a need assessment and to identify material and equipment to be purchased for the Dental Unit located at Mgolole Health Centre through the mission of one Medical Dentist Doctor Specialist (November 2022 and March 2023).

In addition, A.P.A: is committed to -provide the financial support for the purchase, transport and installation of the equipment of the Dental Unit identified by the assessment carried out during the previous field visit; to provide technical supervision and assistance for the materials and equipment to be purchased.

The financial support will be directly sent to the Company providing the purchase of the Unit, its transport and installation at final destination.

A.P.A. is also in charge for the training of personnel through the mission of specialized personnel.

Role and responsibilities of the Sisters of Congregation of Mary

The Sisters, as members of the management team of Mgolole Health Center:

- will guarantee a supervisory and monitoring role of the activities;
- will ensure a monitoring role during the purchase phase of the material and will supervise all the operations related to it;
- will provide logistical support during the mission of the A.P.A volunteer: local transport,

hospitality in local guest houses, support in order to obtain the tourist or business VISA.

Duration

This Agreement will enter into force at the delivery of the Dental Unit and will have a duration of four years (48 months)

Final Provisions

Amendments or updates to this Agreement will be possible for both Parties, upon prior consultation with the other Party. Any Amendment or update must be seen in view of achieving the project's objectives, and to make the best use of the financial and human resources available.

The Party who seeks to amend, alter or modify the MoU must give written notice of no less than three (3) months, and Amendments shall be applied if both Parties agree to the changes. No modification or change in this Agreement shall be valid and enforceable by and against either Party unless provided by a written amendment to this Agreement, signed by a duly Authorized Officer of all the Parties.

Therefore, IN WITNESS WHEREOF

The undersigned, duly authorized by the respective Parties, have set their respective hands the day and year first above mentioned, and signed this Agreement in four (4) original copies of equal content in manner that appears herein.

Dr. Dino Azzalin

Sisters Leul Pete Yoyt

Dr. Alfonso Alfredo Ferrauti

