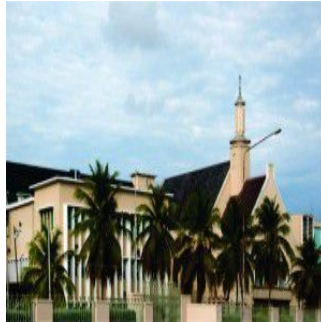


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## Curaçao Hospital Intensive Care free from Klebsiella Bacteria - an Update



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The Intensive Care unit at the Saint Elisabeth Hospital (SEHOS) is free from the klebsiella bacteria. This is according to the medical director of the hospital, Dr. Cai Winkel. Dr. Winkel explained that this bacteria is one that lives in all clinics and hospitals around the world and cannot be eradicated because it has built up a resistance to any anti biotic.

According to Dr. Winkel, since August last year there was an outbreak of the klebsiella bacteria but the necessary measures were taken and the hospital was cleansed. But now a patient was interred into the IC and has contaminated the place again. Because of this, the patients had to be evacuated from the IC. This is a situation which started on Thursday two weeks ago. The cleaning continued, the patients were taken to another department, they continued receiving treatment and now the IC is free from the klebsiella bacteria.

According to Dr. Winkel, this is a bacteria that we will have to live with it, we just have to take measures for hygiene, constantly make sure that everyone cooperates in cleaning and washing the place. Visitors who will visit more than one patient must know that they can “transport” bacteria from one department to another. In any case, the IC is now free from the klebsiella bacteria.

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