



# Clinical strategy and performance overview

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### Our main challenges



### **Our goals (medium term)**

Knowledge and expertise advancement of our physicians and nurses through education and practical development

Develop and implement quality management measures at a larger scale within our healthcare facilities

Strengthen existing services and launch new ones



# **Our clinical team**

It is the first class leaders of our medical team that are driving the improvement of service quality and access to healthcare across the organisation

#### **GHG Clinical department**

**MOTHER AND CHILD HEALTH** 

Network in France

NURSING DEPARTMENT

Position is vacant

**DAVID TSIBADZE** 

**TAMAR DOWSE** 



**GREGORY (GIA) KHURTSIDZE** Saint John Hospital, North West Kaiser Permanente Division, Longview, WA and Huron Hospital, Cleveland, OH

Jeanne de Flandre Hospital of Lille,

Timone Marseille University Hospital,

Purpan-Toulouse Paediatric Hospital

Princess Margaret hospital, Cardinal

Health of Swindon, Project Officer at

Salvation Army (all in the UK).

#### **CLINICAL QUALITY**



#### NINO BUTSKHRIKIDZE

Tbilisi Central University Hospital, was the coordinator of the emergency medicine project in Georgia

#### **POSTGRADUATE EDUCATION**



#### EKA SEPERTELADZE

Georgia Ministry of Labor, Health and Social Affairs, Head of Accreditation Department for postgraduate educational programs

#### **INTERNAL MEDICINE**



#### MARIKA TOIDZE Milan University Hospital, Weill Medical College of Cornell University

Medical College of Cornell University in New York Presbyterian Hospital

#### LABORATORY



#### NINO ABESADZE University Medical Centre Hamburg

Eppendorf, Oncology and Hematology department for children

#### PATHOLOGY ALL VU Presi Pathe

**SURGICAL** 

#### ALEXI BAIDOSHVILI VU Medical Centre in Amsterdam,

President of International Academy of Pathology Georgian Division (IAP GD

#### PEDIATRIC CARDIAC SURGERY PAATA KALANDADZE



Policlinico di Monza and Papa Giovani XXIII hospital in Italy, Alder Hey Children's Hospital in Liverpool and the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne

#### **CARDIAC SURGERY**



ZAZA KATSITADZE the University Hospital in Switzerland, the Regional Hospital in Tallinn, Estonia, the University Hospital of

Geneva in Switzerland

#### **CRITICAL CARE**



LEVAN SUKHISHVILI Schuchtermann Klinik in Germany, Jo Ann Medical Centre and Regional Hospital Sachkhere in Georgia

#### ONCOLOGY



The University Hospital of Mannheim in Germany. Scholar of the European Association of Urology

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# We are growing a new generation of doctors & nurses

### Challenge

# Lack of doctors & Nurses: quality and new generation

### **Doctors:**

- High number of doctors with Soviet education
- Average age c.50
- Shortage in number of specialties

### Nurses:

- The WHO recommends a nurse to doctor ratio of 4:1 for Georgia
- Current ration of 0.9

# What we are doing

# **GHG Residency Programs**

- Evidence based medicine and western standards of care is our baseline
- In 2016, launched residency programs in 20 specialties (Pediatric Neurology, Pediatric Emergency Medicine, OBGYN, Anesthesia/Critical Care, Pediatrics, Pediatric gastroenterology, Neonatology, Pediatric Cardiology, Laboratory Medicine, Internal Medicine, Endocrinology, Pediatric Endocrinology and Radiology, General Surgery, Orthopedic Surgery, Neurosurgery, Pediatric General Surgery, Oncology, Radiation Oncology, Cardiac surgery - pending)
- With total residency quotas of 243
- 58 residents enrolled currently
- 110 vacant positions will be announced in December
- It takes on average 33 months to complete the residency program



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# **GHG Doctor Retraining Programs 2016**

- 1842 doctors in four specialties (OBGYN, pediatrics, internal medicine, Laboratory) and ten programs
- 2098 nurses retrained (Anatomy, Physiology, Medical calculation, procedures.)

Category	Jan-Dec, 2015	Jan-Sep, 2016
NURSE	1960	2098
DOCTOR	1720	1842
<b>Total Number Of Trainees</b>	3680	3940



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# **GHG Trainers of Trainers Program (ToT)**

- In 2016, 80 of our employees completed Trainers of Trainers programs in these specialties:
  - Nursing General
  - Nursing Operational
  - Basics of Pediatric Critical Care
  - General Critical Care Basics



### Challenge

# Lack of doctors & Nurses: quality and new generation

**Doctors:** Despite the high number of doctors available in Georgia, the average age of our doctors is c.50, they mostly come with Soviet medical education and we have a shortage of doctors in a number of areas.

**Nurses:** The World Health Organisation recommends a nurse to doctor ratio of 4:1 for Georgia, compared to our current ration of 0.9 nurses per doctor.

# What we are doing

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# **GHG Continuous Medical Education (CME)**

- 2014-2016 we focused on building continuous medical education platform in five specialties:
  - > OBGYN
  - Pediatrics
  - Internal Medicine
  - > Lab
  - > Nurses
- 14 CME programs conducted
- 630 doctors and 3327 nurses engaged during three year period



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# Lack of clinical quality management practices on national level

- Quality Management since the Soviet era still in the early state of development
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# What we are doing

# **GHG clinical quality framework development**

### 2015-2018

### Goals:

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- Risk management
- Safety
- Infectious control

### Strategy:

- Building quality database
- Training professionals in the area of clinical quality

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### What we are doing

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# **GHG Clinical Quality Trainings**

- 2015-2016 Implementation of Clinical quality management framework
- 18 trainings in quality management topics around infectious control, database management and KPIs completed
- 2 trainings ongoing
- 43 training courses planed through 2018



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# **GHG Clinical Quality Protocols**

- Internal process of development and implementation of protocols lunched
- Evidence based medicine and western standards of care as a baseline for
  - Clinical protocols
  - Nursing protocols
  - Hospital performance SOPs
  - Quality and safety policies
- 129 protocols are approved
- 40 are in progress
- 130 are planned



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# **GHG Clinical Quality Monitoring**

- 2016 Clinical KPI monitoring implemented in 16 hospitals
- Ongoing in 10 hospitals (expected to be completed 2017)







#### **OUTPATIENT CARE**

Outpatient encounters in Georgia are low at 3.5 a year, compared to the CIS average of 8.9 and European Region countries of 7.5, according to WHO



#### LABORATORY SERVICES

- Number of lab tests are still sent to the laboratories abroad.
- Pathology service is outdated and 30 years behind European level



#### CANCER

- Very low reported incidence levels
- Malignant neoplasms incidence rate in Georgia is 140.3, compared to 543.7 in EU, and the detection of over 30% of malignant neoplasms occur at stage IV



#### MATERNITY CARE

- Highest number of caesarean among the former Soviet Union republics – 39% of the total number of all deliveries in 2014.
- Maternal mortality ratio per live births three-times higher in Georgia than in the European Region.



#### EMERGENCY CARE

- Emergency units simply did not exist in Georgia until several years ago.
- hospitals had to staff emergency units with over 15 different specialists, which decreased the quality and efficiency of the ER



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#### NEONATOLOGY

neonatal mortality was 60-80% of under five mortality during previous years, well above the 43% global average.



 Biggest share in medical services import is The culture of regular visits to the doctor at an early pediatric age - as a favorable heritage from Soviet-times

#### PEDIATRIC CARDIO SURGERY

For almost 15 years, there was only one center in Georgia that provided cardiology and cardiosurgery services for children.



#### CARDIOLOGY

- hospitalization rate per 100,000 population that was 1,647 in 2014, which is two-fold less than in CIS and European Union countries.
- cardiovascular diseases represent 16.5% of deaths



#### CRITICAL CARE

• The lack of quality of care in a number of areas in the Georgian healthcare system puts strain on critical care units



Was	We achieved	Our plans
Only one center in Georgia	<ul> <li>Launched service in August 2015</li> <li>Initiated with multi national cardio surgical teams (Italy, Germany, China, Israel) with hands on training for local team</li> <li>53 surgeries – at average revenue of GEL 15,000</li> <li>Strong service quality, with low lethality (2)</li> <li>Since October 2016 the local team performs surgeries</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Targeting - 250 surgeries per year</li> <li>Cardiac Surgery residency</li> <li>To have complete Georgian team performing surgeries</li> </ul>

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Picture 1: Liver transplant patients at GHG



Picture 2: Liver transplant patients at GHG



We launched liver transplantation				
Was	We achieved	Our plans		
Only 2 centers in Georgia with successful cases	<ul> <li>Launched service in December 2014</li> <li>Assisted by multi national cardio surgical teams (Italy and India) providing practical training to local team</li> <li>Completed 9 successful surgeries at average revenue of GEL 125,000</li> <li>Excellent performance record - 0 lethality</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Expanding the department, targeting 20 surgeries per year</li> <li>Consolidate transplant program (Liver, Kidney – pediatric and adult) in Tbilisi</li> <li>Start transplant residency</li> <li>Have local team perform surgeries independently in 2017</li> </ul>		

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# We launched oncology center

### Was

Suboptimal due to outdated technology

Soviet era staff with poor access to new western standards of care

Significant outflow of patients abroad

### We achieved

- Launched service in July 2015
- In 2015 serviced over 165 patients at average service revenue of GEL 5,000
- 2016 so far 700 patients treated
- Target 2000 per year
- Staff reinforced with Georgian repatriate physician team practicing in the Europe for 2 decades
- Standard of care is approaching European guidelines

### **Our plans**

- Second linear accelerator in Kutaisi
- Expansion of existing unit (it has capacity to double the flow)
- Hematology unit up and running for BMT
- Development of Pediatric Hemato-Oncology

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# Where we stand now and where are we going







# **QUESTIONS?**

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