

It was a brief but colorful ceremony that brought together Liberia's Health Minister, Dr. Bernice Dahn and other key Health officials in the spacious conference hall of the Montserrado County Health office in Paynesville, when the USAID funded Ebola Transmission Prevention and Survivors Services made a donation of medical equipment worth over 1million United States Dollars.

The Mission Director of USAID, Anthony Chan symbolically presented the equipment to Dr. Dahn in a more joyous mood.

Speaking shortly before the symbolic presentation, Mr. Chan said he was presenting the equipment to help Health care workers better prevent, diagnose and treat a range of diseases and health problems.

"I am particularly pleased that some of the equipment we are providing today, including this hematology analyzer, can be used to improve the quality of care fir Ebola survivors", the USAID chief of mission asserts.

Mr. Chan further that the donations were in support of the Ministry of Health National EVD Secretariat, charged to implement the Ebola Survivors Care and Support Policy and the JSI/APC Ebola Survivors' Program intended to improve the health care provided at facilities for Ebola survivors and the general population.

"I am convinced that you all will properly use and maintain the equipment to provide improved care for Ebola survivors as well as the general public.

Mr. Chan Then renewed USAID's commitment to helping the people of Liberia build the capacity of health care workers and better equip health care facilities with the ultimate goal of providing Liberians access to quality health services.

The equipment presented by USAID include, Electronic autoclave, Slide dryer, Pharmacy cabinet, Infant resuscitator and mask, Fetal Doppler, Blood Pressure Machine, Adults and pediatric stethoscopes, Delivery Kits and Suture Kit among others.

Beneficiaries of the medical equipment include, Redemption Hospital, CH Rennie, Boma Health Center and Kolahun Hospital among four other medical facilities.

Speaking during the symbolic receipt of the equipment, Health Minister, Dr. Bernice Dahn thanked USAID for the donation on behalf of the Liberian Government and promised that they would be used for the intended purpose.

Minister Dahn also pleaded with USAID to train people to operate the equipment at least for a year before government can take over.

"We are so grateful to USAID for always being there to help the people of Liberia in our effort to improve our health sector". Dr. Dahn said.

USAID Empowers Health Facilities... Donates Medical Equipment Worth Over 1million USD