Yuli

Matsuura Outreach Acupuncture Health Education Plus Referral

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Affected by the pandemic in 2021, the outreach itinerary in 2022 was full of changes and events were canceled. After several months, the East District Tzu Chi International Medical Association(TIMA) has restarted the outreaches again. What remains unchanged is the enthusiasm of caring for rural residents.

On the morning of March 19, the first stop of this year's outreach is at Matsuura, the "home field" of Yuli Tzu Chi Hospital. Internal Medicine and Acupuncture services were provided on site. The provider count at the Acupuncture was the largest. We extended thanks to the six Chinese



Yuli Tzu Chi Hospital is going to set up an Acupuncture Tour Point this May in Ruisui Township. Dr. Ni Ching-Ti advised residents of this new service at free clinic events.

Med. doctors for helping. Among them, two are from Yuli Tzu Chi Hospital, Dr. Ni Ching-Ti and Wang Ren-Fu. Also included are Pharmacist Chen Yu-Feng, from the Nursing Medical Technology Administrative Unit, Pharmacist Zhang Yu-Jia, Nursing Staff Gu Ying-Mei, Nurse Ye Zi-Jing, Administration Team Chen Xiu-Jin, Zhang Yu-Zhen, Peng Jun-De, Health Promotion Team Lin Ting-Yu, and Public Communications Team Chang Wen-Yu. 11 staff members all worked together, recognizing the opportunity to protect the health of rural residents.

Dr. Ni Ching-Ti, in addition to preparing Laser Acupuncture Equipment





to serve patients, also brought good news! Medical care in remote areas are inadequate in Matsuura, located between Ruisui Township and Yuli Tzu Chi Hospital. In order to make it convenient for residents to obtain Acupuncture treatment services, Yuli Tzu Chi Hospital decided to set up an Acupuncture Tour Point this May in Mizuho. Dr. Ni Ching-Ti came here today to bring this information to the residents, enabling them to make easier use of the services.

In addition to providing Internal Medicine and Acupuncture services, Tzu Chi University Medical Society's students diligently made posters and arranged games to promote the use of medication, suggest fall prevention techniques, and demonstrate how to properly wear face masks. Researchers from Academia Sinica also participated in the free clinic and set up a booth to promote the most current Human Biological Database being maintained in Taiwan and to explain the study of causes of diseases through statistics.

Near the end of the free clinic, a man who broke his leg in a car accident but didn't heal well after the surgery came in. Mr. Wang has no family to take care of him because he lives alone and has the injured leg, which appears bent and deformed. On the afternoon of the 21st, Wang finally came to the Yuli Tzu Chi Hospital Orthopedic Department. Assessing his condition, Deputy Supt. Lin



Research indicates an overall 60% reduction of re-occurrence if combined with Eastern and Western medicine.



East District TIMA came to Yuli Township Matsuura, providing Internal Medicine and Acupuncture free clinic services.

Jhih-Yan recommended Wang to have surgery again. Yuli Tzu Chi Hospital's social worker and nurses immediately administered care, providing relevant social welfare information and longterm care services to him. The hospital staff is waiting for his return visit and will accompany him to see the doctor, hoping that Wang can avoid the fate of amputation.

Just like the Tzu Chi song explains, "Tzu Chi Volunteers lit a light in the darkest corner", bringing medical services and charity resources to the residents in need, and bringing light and warmth to every dark corner are the two biggest purposes of the free clinic.