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ROSS UNIVERSITY SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND ADTALEM GLOBAL EDUCATION ASSIST WITH WALK EVENTS IN VARIOUS COUNTRIES

Bridgetown, Barbados, 21 December 2021 - Though there has not been a physical Walk for the Cure 2021 in Barbados, there was still much support for the cause.

In fact, the faculty and students of Ross University School of Medicine (RUSM) stepped up to assist with the fundraising activities again this year, along with its fellow Adtalem Global Education institutions – Ross University School of Veterinary Medicine and American University of the Caribbean School of Medicine.

In the three Caribbean countries where the universities are located – Barbados, St. Kitts, and St. Maarten – the campuses were decorated, and certain days of the week in October were designated Pink Days when most of the students and faculty wore pink in all forms.

RUSM also made and sold special masks embellished with a pink ribbon to help increase awareness of breast cancer among the university population. All proceeds went toward the funds for the Walk for the Cure.

With the combined efforts of all three universities, Rhonda McIntyre, MBBS, FAAP, FRCP(C), associate dean of external affairs at RUSM, recently presented a cheque for US\$5,000 to CIBC FirstCaribbean.

“It was an honour to be able to represent Ross University School of Medicine and Adtalem Global Education as part of our united work to support an important cause in the region,” said Dr. McIntyre. “While our mission is to empower students to become physicians who make a difference in healthcare globally, our university is also committed to serving as a lead partner in Barbados and the region to make an impact in the local communities we serve.”

This is the third year that Adtalem and RUSM have played a role in the annual walk. In previous years, when there was a physical walk, with supervision, students assisted as part of the medical teams looking after the walkers and runners, and some students also participated in the walk itself.

“We are extremely happy that Ross University School of Medicine and Adtalem’s family of institutions have been able to continue with the awareness campaign on their various campuses and to assist with our fundraising,” stated Debra King, head of corporate communications at CIBC FirstCaribbean. “We look forward to continuing this relationship that

is so vital in creating awareness of this disease when we're able to once again host a physical walk," she added.

However, the relationship does not end there, as there are plans for the two organisations to collaborate on several other initiatives to address the issues of health in the region.

Due to the upsurge in cases in a number of countries in the region, the Walk For the Cure, which has now been dubbed as the biggest walk for a cause in the region, was curtailed this year. Some countries had no physical walk while others created adaptations of the concept. For instance in St. Maarten, they had a Drive for the Cure, which was a variation of a motorcade going through the various districts. In some countries where there was no walk, participants were encouraged to walk in their communities and upload pictures to the Walk for the Cure social media pages.

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Photo caption: Dr. Rhonda McIntyre (left) presents the cheque to Debra King as they discuss plans for the upcoming activities.

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