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PROUD TO SUPPORT ANY EFFORT TO FIGHT CANCER

August 9, 2022: St. John's, Antigua. The battle against prostate cancer will recommence in earnest this Saturday after a two-year break caused by the Covid-19 pandemic.

Dr. Dwayne 'Baba' Thwaites and the Lions Club will once again be teaming up for their Annual Prostrate Screening at the Lions Club on Cross Street.

He said that pre-registration will begin at 7:00 am and the screening will commence at 8:00 am.

"I had this idea for many years but in 2007 when I discussed the idea of the prostate screening with Lion Bobby Reis and he was as excited as I was. He convinced the then President Hordley Forbes that this was a great initiative. In that first year we had just over 80 men tested but in 2019 we were up to 981 men."

In this 14th year of the prostate screening and taking into account that covid is still present, every effort is being made to avoid crowds. Dr. Thwaites added that there will be 7 doctors in attendance and the process will not take very long.

"You get registered so that we can get your medical information; blood is taken for the PSA test and then the digital rectal exam which takes about 3 seconds. It is better to put a finger in, than two feet in the grave," said Dr. Thwaites.

The doctor was speaking as a received a donation of \$5,000 from CIBC FirstCaribbean to assist with costs associated with the screening.

The bank's Corporate Manager, Yohance Browne, said that the bank was very proud to join with Dr. Thwaites and the Lions Club in this great act of service.

"We are proud to support any effort to fight cancer which takes so many lives. We have our annual Walk for the Cure which focuses on breast cancer so we are happy to also now be supporting men's health," he said.

The 14th Annual Prostate Screening will be held at the Lions Club on Saturday 13th August, 2022. Registration will begin at 7:00 am, with examinations at 8:00 am by a panel of doctors.

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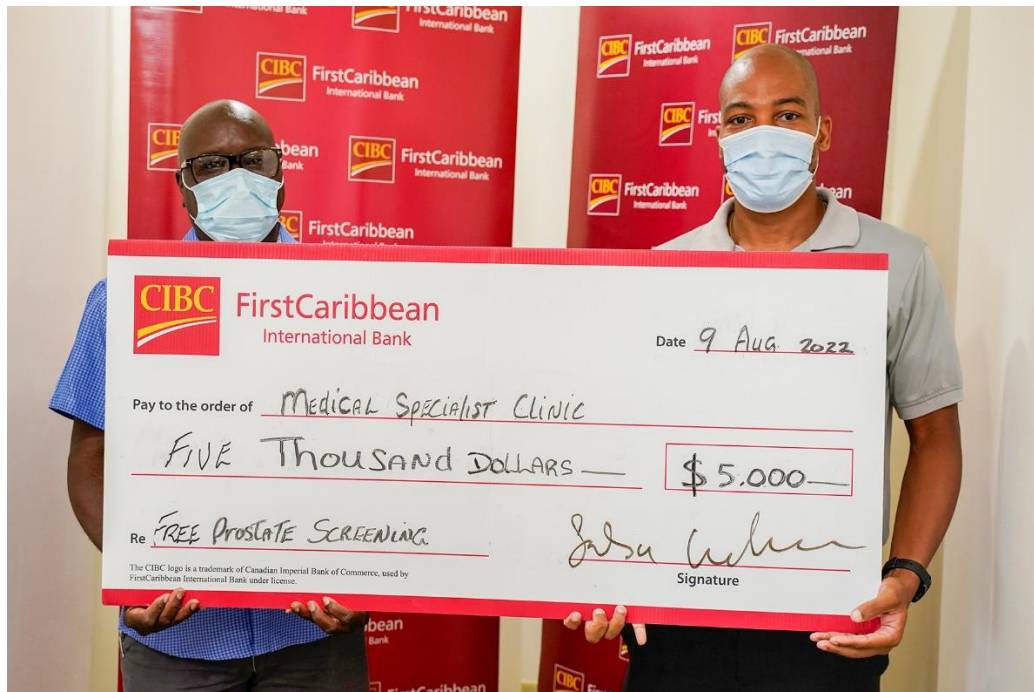
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