REPORT ON ASSESSMENT OF LEANERS AT MALINGUNDE RESOURCE CENTRE
Introduction

Blantyre Institute for Community Outreach (BICO) organized A screening sessions from 25TH TO 26TH January 2018 for leaners with various visual problems at Malingunde Resource Centre. The screening focused on both children at the resource and some at the mainstream. The resource center has a total of 44 children, 22 total blind and 22 leaners with low vision. At the end of the two days a total of 70 children were assessed and out of this number 4 were prescribed both low vision devices and eye glasses while 8 were just prescribed eye glasses only. 3 were referred to Kamuzu Central Eye Hospital for cataract surgery and 17 were treated for other infections.

Screening team

Bruno Chimaliro Optometrist, Queen Elizabeth Central Hospital
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Esther Solomoni Optometry Technician
Ignasio Wachepa Consultant

Results

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<th>Date</th>
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<th># of children screened</th>
<th># of children with Refractive Errors</th>
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- This screening was a success in that this was a first ever assessment where children with low vision at the school had a thorough assessment.
- Mrs Nyirenda from Kamuzu central hospital donated 40 walking stick to the resource center for the children who are totally blind. She also donated about 30 walking sticks to BICO to support leaners in other resource centers.
Bruno Chimaliro captured while assessing a learner with low vision.
Mrs Nyirenda captured while handover walking sticks to one of the specialist teachers at the school.