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## Japan group donates crutches and walkers to CHC

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NIPPON Izokukai, a group of war bereaved families from Japan, on Tuesday donated two sets of walkers and crutches to the Commonwealth Health Center.

More than 25 members of the group met with Hospital Administrator Jesse Tudela to personally deliver the items.

"Thank you very much for your continuous support to the hospital," he told them. "These donations will be very helpful to our patients."

Tudela said he maintains a strong connection with the Japan consulate here to update members about the state of healthcare on island.

He said the group never fails to make a donation to the hospital whenever they visit the island each year.



In 2014, Tudela said the group donated a wheelchair, which is now being used by patients in the Emergency Room.

"On behalf of CHC, I am grateful for their continuous support to our healthcare system," he said.

In a statement, the group members expressed their sympathy to community members amid the ongoing typhoon recovery efforts.

They reiterated their support to the island noting that this is where their forefathers had lived and died.

The group visits the island every year to pray and perform ceremonial rituals in Marpi.