

Con Corazon Outreach Report

24th August 2022 – Marampaqui

The traditional way of cooking in Marampaqui is through the use of stoves. These are installed inside the house. Usually, a house has a single room where the kitchen and the bedroom are located together. The smoke released by the stove produces deleterious effects on the respiratory tract of those who live in the home, especially women and children, who are the ones who stay the longest inside the house. Breathing smoke and soot weakens your lungs. The fuel used frequently is cow dung. They also use small dry branches to start the fire.

After a time of raising awareness among the population and careful planning, we were able to install the first Smokeless Metal Stove - SMS. The first family to benefit from this SMS feels very happy due to the advantages it produces. For example, there is no more smoke inside the house and they also have a warmer environment due to metal chimney pipe. They also state that "clothes no longer smell bad."

Naturally, the first beneficiaries shared this experience with their neighbors, who are now very enthusiastic about having an SMS.



Activities

- General Medicine, 25 patients were seen.
- Dentist, 13 patients kept the dentist full.
- Laboratory, 09 lab exams were performed.

We have noticed that there is an increase in Sexual Transmitted Infections – STIs.

Photo gallery



This is the first Smokeless Metal Stove in Marampaqui. The families are very excited about the new direction their lives and health can take.



When they saw our fire extinguisher within our Medical Center, they asked "what is that for?" We took advantage of this situation to teach them how to use it.



We have visited Virgilio who was in pain after his surgery. He has broken his femur when he fell from a horse. We provided anti-inflammatories and analgesic to relieve his pain.