

EqualMed Donates Equipment To Diabetes Fiji

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United States non-profit medical suppliers EqualMed donated about \$300,000 worth of medical equipment to Diabetes Fiji in Suva, yesterday.

EqualMed founder and chief executive officer Nivita Sharma said last year when she came to Fiji, she was not aware that the Diabetes clinic needed supplies.

She said she had asked them what the clinic needed and this year they arrived with these supplies.

Ms Sharma is originally from Sigatoka.

Her parents and grandparents were born in Fiji.

She is continuing the work of her late grandmother Sarita Sharma, who was known for her charity and community service work in the 1970s and 1980s for the poor through the Sigatoka Women's Club.

Her grandmother passed away in 2013.

The 21-year-old is a medical student at Weill Cornell Medical College in New York.

She said the small amount of work that her organisation is doing might not be able to fill the gaps in Fiji in terms of medical equipment and supplies, but they have progressed well.

In 2013 Ms Sharma donated supplies worth \$10,000 and this year they filled a 20-foot container with supplies.

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