



The Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital is a nonprofit hospital and training center that improves the health of families and their communities by delivering high-quality, patient-centered care, regardless of their ability to pay.



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## Message from the CEO

### **Dr. Cornelia Haener**

**Chief Executive Officer, Sonja Kill  
Memorial Hospital**

It is with deep gratitude and pride that I present to you this half-year Annual Report. Over the past 6 months, Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital has continued to grow not only in the number of patients we serve but, in the strength, compassion, and professionalism of our entire team.

Each day, I witness the incredible dedication of our staff as they care for patients with respect, kindness and integrity. Whether providing life-saving emergency care, guiding patients through complex treatments or supporting families in their most vulnerable moments, our team gives their best every time.

This year brought both challenges and opportunities. We expanded our services, strengthened our partnerships and continued to invest in the training and development of our staff. I am especially proud of our efforts to improve access to quality care for all, regardless of financial background. Equity in healthcare remains at the core of our mission.

I want to thank our patients and their families for their trust, our staff for their tireless commitment and our partners and supporters for walking alongside us. Your belief in our mission makes everything possible.

As we look ahead, I remain confident in the future of SKMH. Together, we will continue building a hospital that stands not only for medical excellence, but for compassion, dignity and hope.

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With heartfelt thanks,

**Dr. Cornelia Haener**

**Chief Executive Officer**

**Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital**



## REGAINING COMFORT AFTER 10 YEARS OF PAIN

### A PATIENT'S JOURNEY THROUGH GALLBLADDER SURGERY AT SONJA KILL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

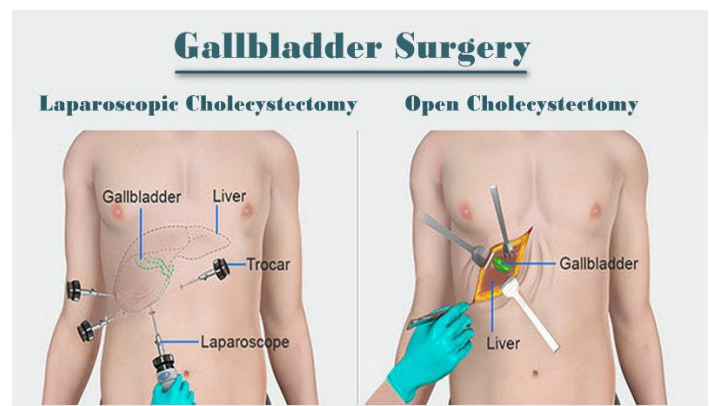
After living with gallbladder pain for nearly a decade, a 67-year-old woman chose Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital for her care and finally found relief through laparoscopic gallbladder surgery. She had long experienced recurring pain in the upper right side of her abdomen but delayed treatment. As her discomfort worsened, she turned to SKMH, trusting our team to provide the care she needed.

Following a comprehensive consultation and evaluation, our medical team explained the risks and benefits of gallbladder removal. Despite her history of hypertension, the patient felt reassured and confident in proceeding with a minimally invasive procedure, led by our experienced surgical staff. The surgery was successful, and the patient stayed at the hospital for only three days. During her stay, our care team provided attentive monitoring and clear post-operative guidance.

She followed all medical instructions and made a smooth, steady recovery.

Before being discharged, she shared her appreciation: "I felt safe, informed, and truly cared for from beginning to end. I trust this team completely."

At Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital, we are proud to deliver high quality of care backed by advanced surgical techniques, helping patients return to their lives with comfort and confidence.



**Dr. Ou Chenda, Supervisor of the Surgical Department,** explained the benefits of laparoscopic surgery:

- Reduced post-operative pain
- Shorter hospital stays
- Faster recovery
- Lower risk of infection
- Smaller incisions with minimal blood loss

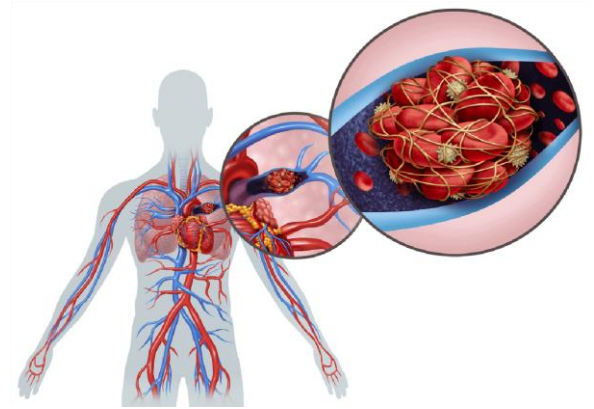


## FROM DESPAIR TO HOPE: How a life was saved with timely treatment

At 74 years old, Kamat, a grandfather from Truy Koh village in Kampot, believed he was living the final chapter of his life. One quiet morning, while working on the farmland with his grandson, he was suddenly overcome by a severe, crushing chest pain that radiated to his left arm. Thinking it was simple exhaustion, he asked his wife to knock on his chest to relieve the discomfort, but the pain only worsened. Recognizing the urgency, his family rushed him to Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital. The medical team immediately diagnosed Kamat with an acute myocardial infarction, a severe heart attack that could be fatal if not treated in time. With no hope left in his heart, Mr. Kamat had already spoken to his children, calmly accepting the possibility that his time might be up.

Fortunately, destiny had something else in store for his life!

We had just received a generous donation of **Alteplase** a powerful, life-saving medication used to dissolve blood clots. It was the first time this thrombolytic drug was used at SKMH, and the timing couldn't have been more crucial.



Tears rolled down his cheeks as he told us later, “I thought I wouldn’t make it. I had no more hope. But the doctors and this hospital gave me my life back.” He was later discharged back home with his family, feeling stronger, grateful, and full of joy. Mr. Kamat couldn’t stop expressing his heartfelt thanks to the doctors, nurses and the donors who made his recovery possible.

### Message to the community from Dr. Khun Sunly, Chief of Emergency Department of Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital:

If you or someone you love experiences sudden chest pain like squeezing or like stone compression and radiated to the neck or arm, do not delay. Please, come to Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital immediately. Our emergency team is here for you 24/7, and we now have life-saving medication available to help in critical moments.



## A Passion for Safe Motherhood: The Journey of Dr. Son Sokmean

Dr. Son Sokmean is a dedicated obstetrician and gynecologist at Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital, where she has been serving since 2019. Presently, she lives in Kampong Bay District in Kampot Province. Dr. Sokmean was inspired by the challenges women face in maternal health and chose to dedicate her life to making childbirth safer for both mothers and newborns.

Her journey began with strong academic foundations, completing her Doctor of Medicine degree in 2019. During her studies, she completed a year-long internship at Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital in 2018–2019 where she first experienced the power of compassionate, patient-centered care. This experience shaped her deep commitment to maternal and newborn health.



Dr. Son Sokmean

Dr. Sokmean has continued to grow professionally through a series of specialized trainings and national seminars, including advanced emergency obstetric and neonatal care, safe delivery techniques and maternal mortality reduction strategies. Her participation in key events such as the National Maternal and Child Health Day and collaborative seminars with the Cambodian Society of Obstetrics and Gynecology reflects her dedication to staying updated with best practices in her field.

Over the years, Dr. Sokmean has become a trusted provider for expectant mothers in the community. She is known not only for her clinical skills but also for her empathy and ability to reassure patients during one of the most important times in their lives.

Her dream is simple yet powerful: to ensure that every mother in Cambodia has access to safe, respectful, and high-quality maternity care. Through her work at Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital, she is turning that dream into reality one birth at a time.



### The Blood Bank at Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital

*Behind every successful surgery, emergency intervention or critical care case at Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital, there is a quiet but essential service working around the clock: The Blood Bank.*

In 2025, the SKMH Blood Bank continued to play a central role in saving lives—ensuring the timely availability of safe and screened blood for patients in need. From trauma cases and maternity emergencies to neonatal transfusions and surgical procedures, the blood bank provided critical support to every department in the hospital.

Thanks to strong coordination between the laboratory team, clinical staff and external partners, the Blood Bank maintained a consistent and reliable blood supply throughout the year. Donations were collected both through in-house donors and through collaborations with national and local blood services. Each unit was carefully screened and stored following strict safety protocols to protect both donors and recipients.

In 2025, the team also focused on raising awareness about the importance of voluntary blood donation through hospital campaigns and staff engagement activities. These efforts not only helped increase local participation but also educated the community about how one donation can save multiple lives.

The Blood Bank at SKMH remains a cornerstone of our mission: to be a non-profit hospital and training center that improves the health of families and their communities by delivering high- quality, patient-center care regardless of their ability to pay. As the hospital continues to grow, so too does the impact of this vital service—quietly working behind the scenes to give patients a second chance at life.



## Coordinating Compassionate Care at SKMH

### Ms. Korn Phally: Case Manager

At Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital, Korn Phally serves as the Clinical Case Manager—a role that is critical to ensuring seamless, patient-centered care. Her work throughout the year has reflected a deep commitment to improving the patient journey through thoughtful coordination, clear communication, and compassionate oversight.

Phally plays a vital role in evaluating treatment plans, monitoring patient progress, and ensuring that every patient is well-informed about their care and available options. She serves as the key liaison between multiple departments, including physicians, the insurance team, rehabilitation services, and home care providers—ensuring that care is timely, safe and efficiently delivered.

Beyond medical coordination, Phally also focuses on the socio-economic well-being of patients. She works closely with the Social Affairs Office to assess and support patients who face financial or social challenges, helping to remove barriers to care and connect them with needed services.

Her responsibilities extend into accurate documentation and data management, especially for insured patients. She ensures that all patient care activities are correctly entered into the Hospital Information System (HIS) and that required reporting for the Ministry of Health is completed in a timely and accurate manner.



Phally also plays a key role in system improvement—supporting efforts to extract and integrate hospital data for performance monitoring and external reporting. Her collaboration with department heads and responsiveness to inquiries about daily data make her an essential part of the hospital's operations.

With dedication, flexibility, and strong teamwork, Korn Phally exemplifies the values of SKMH: compassion, integrity and service. Her contributions continue to strengthen care coordination and ensure that patients receive not just treatment—but thoughtful, comprehensive support every step of the way.



## ADVANCING WOMEN'S HEALTH THROUGH LAPAROSCOPIC SURGERY AT SKMH

In 2025, the Obstetrics and Gynecology Department at Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital (SKMH) reached a new milestone by introducing advanced laparoscopic procedures for women's health. Led by volunteering consultant Dr. Jobe Smith from Norway, the program aims to expand access to minimally invasive gynecological surgeries for women in Kampot and surrounding provinces.

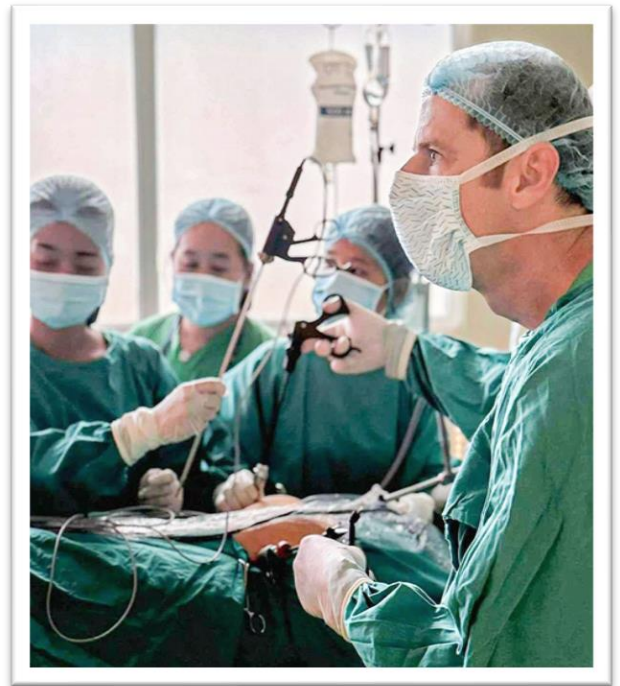


Laparoscopic surgery, also known as “keyhole surgery,” uses tiny incisions and a camera-guided system to diagnose and treat a wide range of gynecological conditions such as ovarian cysts, fibroids, endometriosis, and ectopic pregnancies. Compared to traditional open surgery, patients benefit from shorter recovery times, less postoperative pain, minimal scarring, and a faster return to daily life.

Dr. Smith collaborated closely with SKMH's skilled OB/GYN team, surgical nurses, and anesthesia staff to perform and supervise laparoscopic procedures, while also training local doctors in advanced techniques. This knowledge transfer ensures that Cambodian women can access safe, high-quality care without the need to travel to Phnom Penh or abroad for specialized surgeries.

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**“It is inspiring to see how quickly the SKMH team is embracing these techniques. Every successful procedure means one more woman who can return to her family and community sooner, with less pain and a safer outcome,” said Dr. Smith.**



## EMERGENCY DEPARTMENT INTERNSHIP AT SKMH

At the heart of every hospital emergency room is a team ready to respond at a moment's notice. At Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital, the Emergency Department Internship Program is where the next generation of healthcare professionals begins to learn what that really means.

In 2025, under the guidance and leadership of Dr. Khun Sunly, Head of the Emergency Department, the internship program offered medical and nursing students hands-on experience in one of the hospital's most dynamic environments. Dr. Sunly's calm leadership, clinical expertise and commitment to education created a safe and supportive space where students could grow professionally and personally.

Interns were exposed to a wide range of emergency cases, from trauma and fractures to pediatric seizures, dengue shock and acute cardiac conditions. With direct supervision, they participated in triage, assisted with patient monitoring, observed critical procedures and learned to communicate effectively in high-stress situations.

### One student reflected:

#### lead by Dr. Khun Sunly

"Dr. Sunly never treated us like outsiders he encouraged us to ask questions, to watch closely and to think like emergency doctors. His team taught us with both skill and kindness."



In addition to clinical work, interns joined daily briefings, reviewed real cases and participated in basic emergency simulations. This balanced approach of experience and education made the program highly valued among students and academic partners.

By leading this internship program, Dr. Khun Sunly not only helps train future emergency care providers, but also inspires them with the values of compassion, teamwork and critical thinking that define the spirit of SKMH.

## STUDY TOUR FROM KUNTHA BOPHA HOSPITAL TO SKMH – 17 JUNE 2025

On 17 June 2025, Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital welcomed a delegation from Kuntha Bopha Hospital who came for a focused research study tour to learn about SKMH's unique approach to financial management, operations and hospital administration, specifically how SKMH successfully runs without relying on fundraising for operations.

The visiting team, composed of hospital leaders, administrators and financial officers, engaged in in-depth discussions and observations aimed at understanding SKMH's sustainable model of running a quality healthcare facility through efficient management and resource allocation.



SKMH's leadership and management teams shared insights on budgeting, cost control, patient billing systems, supply chain management and operational workflows. The visitors also explored how SKMH maintains service quality and access while operating without external fundraising campaigns, a model that relies heavily on internal efficiency, government support and strategic partnerships.

The study tour included presentations, Q&A sessions and a close look at SKMH's administrative processes, helping Kuntha Bopha Hospital gather valuable data for their own institutional development and planning.

The visit strengthened ties between the two hospitals and laid groundwork for ongoing collaboration in hospital management research and knowledge exchange.

SKMH remains committed to pioneering innovative and sustainable healthcare practices, and this research tour exemplified our dedication to leadership through learning and shared growth.



## PALS TRAINING AT SONJA KILL MEMORIAL HOSPITAL – 2025

In 2025, Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital continued to strengthen its commitment to providing high-quality pediatric emergency care by organizing a comprehensive Pediatric Advanced Life Support (PALS) training program for medical and nursing staff.

The PALS training focused on improving the skills and confidence of healthcare providers in recognizing and managing critically ill or injured children. Through a combination of theoretical sessions, hands-on simulations and team-based exercises, participants learned advanced techniques for airway management, resuscitation and stabilization of pediatric patients.



Led by experienced instructors and supported by both local and international experts, the program emphasized practical skills alongside decision-making and effective communication during emergencies. The training aimed to build a stronger, more responsive clinical team capable of delivering timely, lifesaving interventions.

More than 90 doctors, nurses and allied health professionals successfully completed the PALS course this year, reflecting SKMH's dedication to ongoing professional development and patient safety.





Dr. Claudine Martinelle	Surgeon	Swiss
Dr. Lurne Terasaki	OB/GYN	American
Dr. Helene Christine	OB/GYN	Norway
Mr. Kristoffer Friis	Nurse	Denmark
Dr. Howard Jack Homler	Internal Medicine	American
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Dr. Marc Duruy	Gastroenterologist	France
Dr. Rachael Suzanne Arabian	Wound Care	American
Mr. Erik Hagberg	Medical Student	American

## VOLUNTEERS AT SKMH

Volunteering at our hospital is a meaningful journey where compassion meets action. It's a chance to touch lives, offer comfort, and be a source of strength for patients and families during their most vulnerable moments. Whether you're offering a helping hand, a kind word or simply your presence, your contribution brings hope and healing. We welcome those with a heart to serve, a willingness to learn and a desire to be part of something bigger than themselves. Together, we can make a lasting impact one patient, one smile and one act of kindness at a time.



# FINANCIAL REPORT

PROFIT AND LOSS		
	<b>FY 2025 (6-month)</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
Net Patient Revenue	1,475,312	3,013,958
Program Expenses	(1,630,642)	(3,315,363)
<b>Net From Operations</b>	<b>(155,330)</b>	<b>(301,405)</b>
Depreciation	(145,894)	(1,394,587)
Management Expense	-	-
Non Operating Income (Capital Contribution)		
Grant income for operating expenses	165,198	155,730
<b>Net Income</b>	<b>(136,027)</b>	<b>(1,540,261)</b>

BALANCE SHEET		
	<b>FY 2025 (Jun)</b>	<b>FY 2024</b>
Current Assets	1,288,410	1,303,258
Fixed Assets	571,723	639,350
Other Assets		
<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>1,860,134</b>	<b>1,942,608</b>
Current Liabilities	70,217	87,946
Other Liabilites		
<b>Total Liabilites</b>	<b>70,217</b>	<b>87,946</b>
<b>Fund Balance</b>	<b>1,789,917</b>	<b>1,854,662</b>
<b>Total Liabilites and Fund Balance</b>	<b>1,860,134</b>	<b>1,942,608</b>



## Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital Annual Meeting – 25 June 2025

On 25 June 2025, Sonja Kill Memorial Hospital gathered its leadership team, medical staff and key stakeholders for the much-anticipated Annual Meeting, a day dedicated to reflection, learning, and strategic planning for the year ahead.

The meeting brought together professionals from all departments to review the hospital's achievements in 2024 and the first half of 2025, discussed challenges and shared innovative ideas for continued improvement. Presentations highlighted key areas such as patient care outcomes, operational enhancements and ongoing efforts to strengthen staff training and development.

One of the keys focuses this year was the progress made in improving hospital management systems, all integral to SKMH's mission of delivering quality, compassionate healthcare.

Interactive sessions encouraged open dialogue and collaborative problem-solving, fostering a sense of unity and shared purpose among the team. The annual meeting also served as a platform to recognize outstanding contributions from staff members whose dedication has made a real difference in patient care.

As the meeting concluded, the leadership reaffirmed its commitment to advancing SKMH's vision through teamwork, innovation, and community engagement ensuring the hospital remains a trusted healthcare partner for the people it serves.



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