# NCPD PROGRESSION

## HIGHLIGHTS

**Disability Awareness** 

NCPD's Visit to Stork

Sign Language

**Disability Etiquette** 

NCPD Welcomes
Students back to School

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**NCPD Products** 



#### **Our Vision**

A country in which every PWD enjoys equal access to the rights, privileges and opportunities afforded to all citizens.

#### **Our Mission**

To be the leading organisation that is renowned for educating and training PWDs to contribute to a disability inclusive society.

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## **Disability Awareness**

## 19 to 25 september 2022



# International Week of Deaf People 2022

The International Week of the Deaf is an initiative to advocate for and celebrate the Deaf Community. It was initially launched in 1958 in Rome, Italy and has continued to be observed in the last week of September each year.

## Theme for 2022

The overall theme for this year's International Week of the Deaf is "Building Inclusive Communities for All." However, during this week-long celebration, each day has a designated theme

## **Daily Theme**

Monday 19 September 2022 - Sign Languages in Education

Tuesday 20 September 2022 -Sustainable economic opportunities for deaf people

Wednesday 21 September 2022 - Health for All

Thursday 22 September 2022
- Safeguarding deaf people in times of crisis

Friday 23 September 2022 -Sign Languages Unite Us!

Saturday 24 September 2022
- Intersectional Deaf
Communities

Sunday 25 September 2022 -Deaf Leadership for Tomorrow

# International Day of Sign Languages

During the International Week of Deaf People, there is the International Day of Sign Languages. Notably, this will be celebrated on September 23rd, 2022 and the theme is "Sign Languages Unite Us!"

Furthermore, with countries participating from all over the world, it would highlight unity from the over 200 different national sign languages. Partnership and unity need to happen to advocate and protect the linguistic and cultural identities of all deaf people and national sign languages users.

## **How to Participate**

#### **Light it Blue!**

On September 23rd 2022, persons, public places, public landmarks and official buildings are asked to be spotlighted in blue light. This blue light is being used as a method of uniting the world.

#### Wear a blue ribbon.

Persons are also asked to wear a Blue Ribbon as it is a "symbol of deaf communities work over the centuries for equality in society and recognition of their national sign languages" (World Federation of the Deaf 2022; 1).

## Become a member of the World Federation of the Deaf (WDF).

You can join the WDF and help support their work to advocate for the rights of deaf people around the world.

## Usher Syndrome Awareness Day

## When is Usher Syndrome Awareness Day Celebrated?

Usher Syndrome Awareness Day is celebrated on the third Saturday in September each year. Notably, this year it would be celebrated on the 17th of September.

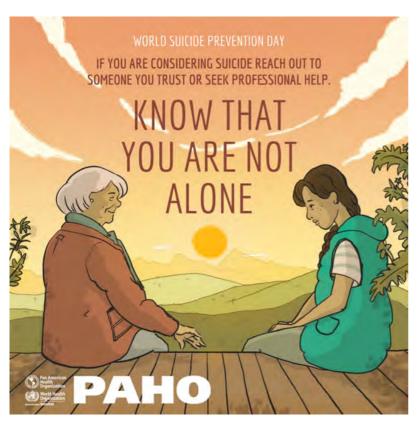
## Why do we celebrate Usher Syndrome Awareness Day?

According to the Usher Syndrome Coalition, this day of awareness aims to advocate for persons living with Usher Syndrome. They explained that Usher Syndrome is the most common genetic cause of combined deafness and blindness. Additionally, with increased awareness, it can assist in accelerating research toward finding treatments and a cure.

## What is Usher Syndrome?

The Usher Syndrome Coalition explained Usher syndrome (USH) as a rare condition inherited from a parent to their child. Moreover, this condition is known to affect one's vision, hearing and balance.

## World Suicide Prevention Day



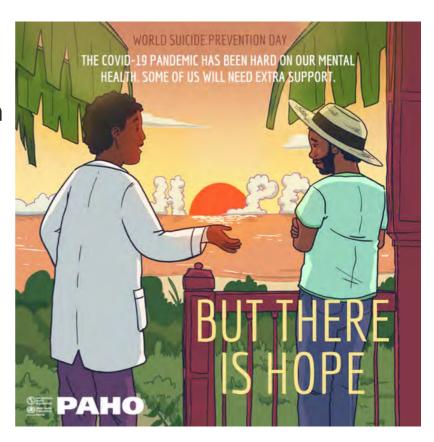
## What is World Suicide Prevention Day?

World Suicide Prevention
Day is organized by the
International Association
for Suicide Prevention
(IASP) and further
endorsed by the World
Health Organization (WHO).
Celebrated on the 10th of
September each year, it
aims to raise awareness of
suicide prevention.

### Theme for 2022

The theme for this year's World Suicide Prevention Day (WSPD) is "Creating hope through action." This emphasises the need for persons to come together and address this urgent public health issue.

According to the Ministry
Of Health, suicide is a
significant health concern
for all persons. Notably,
they found that men are
three to four times more
likely to die by suicide.
The Ministry of Health
recommends getting
support through their
website and telephone
numbers:



#### Website:

https://health.gov.tt/mental-health-resources

https://findcarett.com

## **Telephone numbers:**

800-5588 / 866-5433 / 220-3636

## NCPD'S VISIT TO STORK

On August 4th 2022, NCPD was invited to visit STORK's Point Lisas facility. The purpose of this visit was to conduct an initial assessment of their compound.

#### What is STORK?

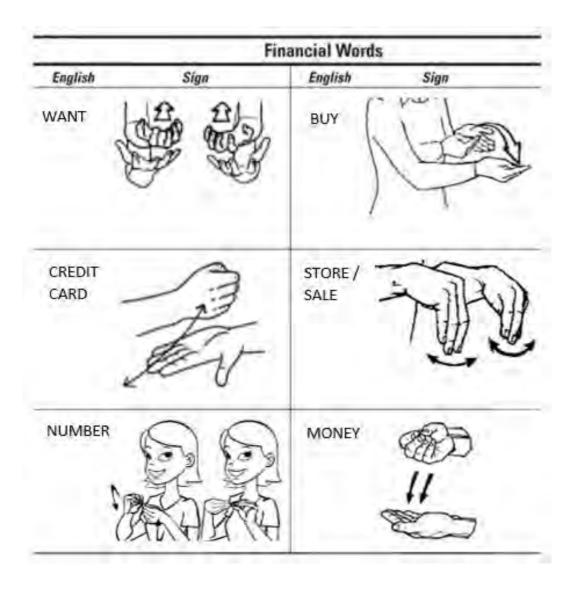
STORK is an asset integrity partner that offers integrated support services to both offshore and onshore operators. The company operates from three strategic locations, Point Lisas, Galeota and Aranguez. Overall, they offer services in engineering and construction, mechanical services, special access systems, and electrical and instrumentation.

Three members of NCPD staff that visited this facility were Mr. Ricardo Rampaul, Ron Wiltshire and Sundria Basdeo. Overall, NCPD's employees educated STORK about the type of disabilities the facility can currently accommodate. Moreover, guidance is also given to improve the facility to accommodate more PWDs.





# CONTINUED RECOGNITION OF BASIC COMMUNICATION IN SIGN LANGUAGE



## DISABILITY ETIQUETTE

When interacting with persons who use wheelchairs:

- Ensure that wheelchair-accessible doors and rams are not blocked.
- Place items within their grasp so they can reach it
- Do not touch or push a person's wheelchair as it is part of their personal space.







On September 5th 2022, students returned to physical classes at NCPD. As seen in the photos, the term has begun smoothly with the return of students.







## **UPCOMING EVENTS**







1. TEA BOXES



3. COASTERS





4. NAPKIN HOLDERS

Items can be found at the following stores:

- Bright Ideas Design Centre Limited
  - Marabella, Gulf City Mall and Princes Town
- Bel-Air Store Limited
  - Marabella
- Better Value Limited
  - San Fernando

- Southern Food Basket Market Place
  - San Fernando
- JTA Supermarkets Ltd.
  - Marabella
- S&B Exclusive Variety Store
  - Marabella
- TB Marketing Limited
  - Couva

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