Update Nelson Novart Lwomile istepup March 2023

Unfortunately I don't have a lot of good news to share with you. In august of last year I did the national exams of year two (level 5) of clinical officer training. I did not pass in the subjects of Reproductive and Child Health (RCH) and Surgery. I started my third year in October 2022 and had to do a resit for the subjects I didn't pass. The first semester of the third year I did pass the exams of CAT (Continuous Assessment), they will be kept in my file. Also, I did some clinical rotations in Sekou Toure hospital and Nyamagana hospital in Mwanza, which went well.

In November was the resit of the national exams. I didn't pass the same subjects again, which meant I had to stop and can't continue with the second semester of the third year. In April I will start classes on the subjects that I didn't pass and in August I will retake the national exams in these subjects. I studied very hard for the exams as well as the resit but there was a curriculum change so they changed the marking system, which caused me to not pass.

In my private life also a lot has been going on, my father in law became very sick last year and passed away in February. Fortunately I was able to say goodbye to him when I visited the Netherlands for Christmas.

My buddy Rian paid for the exams and for the school fees of the second time doing the second year. Therefore istepup does not have to pay for that.

For the future my plan is to study hard and pass the national exams in August of this year. I intend to continue with the third year and finish the degree of clinical officer in 2024. After this, I wish to continue to study anaesthesia. I want to thank istepup for the support this year and I am very sorry to let you down in not passing the exams.. but I promise this year I will make it.

Below are the results of the national exams.

From left to right the subjects are: counselling (84%), RCH (70%), Obstetrics and gynaecology (75%), surgery (62%), Internal medicine (78%), Pediatrics (92%)

The pass mark is 75% or above.

