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Ministry Launches Chronic Care Connect and Jamaica Moves App to Transform Chronic Disease Care

St. Catherine, Jamaica. Wednesday, June 24, 2026: The Ministry of Health & Wellness has launched Chronic Care Connect (CCC) and the Jamaica Moves App, two innovative initiatives aimed at transforming the prevention and management of chronic diseases in Jamaica through a more integrated, patient-centred approach to healthcare.

The launch, held at the Social Development Commission (SDC) Complex in Spanish Town, forms part of the Government's broader Primary Health Care Reform for Jamaica 2021–2030 and supports the country's Vision for Health 2030, which seeks to create a healthier and more productive population.

Speaking at the event, Minister of Health & Wellness, Dr. the Hon. Christopher Tufton, emphasized that the initiatives represent a significant shift in the delivery of healthcare services.

"Today, we are not simply launching an app and a programme. We are advancing a healthcare system that places patients at its centre, one that focuses on prevention, early detection, and empowering Jamaicans to take greater control of their health," the Minister said.

With approximately one in three adults living with hypertension and one in eight with diabetes, the Ministry is introducing new tools to support earlier detection and better management of these conditions.

Chronic Care Connect will pilot a new model of care involving 600 patients across six sites. Participants will benefit from streamlined "One-Stop Shop" clinic visits, receiving consultations, screenings, education, and support services in a single appointment.

The Jamaica Moves App, available free on Android and iOS devices, allows users to track their physical activity, blood pressure, blood glucose levels, and weight, while providing health tips, reminders, and educational resources to encourage healthier lifestyles.

Together with digital health systems such as e-Care, the initiatives represent a connected approach to healthcare that empowers patients and strengthens chronic disease management across Jamaica.

The Ministry noted that findings from the Chronic Care Connect pilot will help guide the future expansion of the model throughout the public health system.

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