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## Put Covid-19 SOPs in place at work premises, says Sabah Health director

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Sabah Health Department director Datuk Christina Rundi showing Chief Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Shafee Apdal one of the protective suits donated with Osimal Foundation chairman Tan Sri Richard Malanjum looking.

KOTA KINABALU: Businesses should put in place Covid-19 preventive measures instead of relying on getting their employees to be tested, says Sabah Health Department director Datuk Dr Christina Rundi.

Dr Rundi said meetings were held with the business sectors about the requirements needed and her department was assisting them to reopen their businesses.

"The pandemic is still on. It is not just about returning to work. Companies must carry out screenings in the workplace, maintain social distancing, wear face masks and use hand sanitisers as part of the standard operating procedure, especially for those providing counter services to the public," she said after receiving medical equipment donated by Osimal Foundation, MCIS Life Insurance Berhad and Caring Pharmacy on Tuesday (May 5).

Dr Rundi said employers should not only look at a "quick fix" solution by carrying out the Covid-19 tests but also preventive measures to curb the spread of the virus at the workplace before resuming operations.

"We hope businesses will follow all the guidelines such as social distancing to prevent the possibility of another outbreak," she said.

On whether there were sufficient Covid-19 test kits to meet the requirement of businesses, she said it was a matter of supply and demand.

"If there is demand, then the supply will address it in stages. But if it is a prerequisite for businesses to reopen, then we may have a problem," she said.

Dr Rundi said the rapid Covid-19 test kits from the Health Ministry would only be used for priority cases like emergency, surgeries and other in-house purposes.

She added that the fight against Covid-19 was "far from over" as there were still 44 active cases in the state.

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## Shafie: We're sticking to May 12 for businesses to resume

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Chief Minister Datuk Mohd Shafie Apdal (right) with Osimal Foundation chairman Tan Sri Richard Malanjum (left) and Sabah Health Department director Datuk Dr Christina Rundi during a medical equipment donation for medical frontliners.

KOTA KINABALU: Sabah will keep to the timeline of May 12 to gradually open up economic sectors, says Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal.

The Chief Minister said the state could not just allow economic activities to resume all of a sudden, despite the announcement by Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin under the conditional movement control order (CMCO).

"I hope the Federal Government will consult the respective state governments with their decisions first and not inform us through the media.

"Even (United States President) Donald Trump consulted his state governors," he told reporters on Tuesday (May 5).

Shafie was asked to comment on the Federal Government's statements that all states must abide by the conditional MCO under the Prevention and Control of Infectious Diseases Act (Act 342).

International Trade and Industries Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Azmin Ali said the states that did not follow the conditional MCO to open up most sectors of the economy from May 4 (Monday) could face lawsuits from the industry players.

The fourth phase of the MCO ends on May 12.

"This is not the time to talk about the law. What we are trying to do is to save lives.

"We can find ways to revive the economy, but when a life is lost, it cannot be replaced.

"What if someone dies from Covid-19 and the family sues us? I'm more afraid of people dying from the disease," he said.

Earlier, Shafie witnessed the presentation of medical equipment, including Covid-19 testing kits donated by Osimal Foundation, MSIC Life Insurance Berhad and Caring Pharmacy to the state Health director Datuk Christina Rundi.

He said the spirit of Act 342 was to protect the people from fatal diseases and the state was working within the framework.

Shafie said it was important for the Federal Government to consult the states on the ground implementation, as most state governments were already working on a time frame set by the Prime Minister.

"You must first carry out consultations with us. We are the ones who are going to implement the decision," he said, adding that the Federal Government might not be aware of the issues on the ground.

He said the state needed time to open the economy and find a balance in relation to public safety.

Shafie added that Sabah has already opened up several sectors including food and plantation, and were also helping to provide credit for SMEs and small businesses.

"We are not tightening, but will continue to look at the sectors in phases and open it after May 12 in stages," he said.



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## SABAH TO SET UP DIGITAL ECONOMY UNIT, WORKING WITH TELCOS TO INCREASE INTERNET ACCESS

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KOTA KINABALU: The Sabah government is working closely with telecommunications companies to increase Internet access throughout the state in an effort to strengthen its digital economy.

Chief Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal said the state government would also set up a digital economy unit to spur efforts to empower the sector.

The effort is aimed at enhancing online business development and marketing, which is now part of the new normal, he told reporters after handing over medical equipment from the Osimal Foundation here today.



“If there is a robust digital economy platform, farmers and vegetable suppliers from Kundasang, Ranau, for example, will no longer have to go to Kota Kinabalu to market their products, instead they only need to use the online system to communicate with their customers.

“That’s why it is necessary to ensure that all areas in Sabah have Internet access,” he said.

Meanwhile, Mohd Shafie, commenting on the call for a two-week parliamentary session, said it was the best platform to discuss issues related to COVID-19 including clarifying the country’s current economic situation and directions for the future.

“This (COVID-19) is a big thing that is being faced and we (the MPs) are only meeting once a day (while) there is a lot of information the public needs to know,” he said.



Commenting further, Mohd Shafie took the example of the three-day Sabah State Legislative Assembly sitting held last April under strict standard operating procedures.

This can also be carried out in Parliament, he said.

Yesterday, representatives of Pakatan Harapan, the Malaysian United Indigenous Party (Bersatu) and the Sabah Heritage Party (Warisan) issued a joint statement calling for Parliament to meet for at least two weeks beginning May 18 to enable a more in-depth discussion of the issue.

At today's event, the Osimal Foundation among others donated face masks (24,000 pieces), face shields (5,000 units) and protective clothing (800 units).



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## UNIT KHAS PULIHKAN EKONOMI SABAH AKAN DIWUJUDKAN

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Oleh **SURAIDAH ROSLAN**

KOTA KINABALU: Satu unit khas akan diwujudkan di Jabatan Ketua Menteri bagi meneliti aspek yang boleh dipertingkatkan bagi memulihkan semula ekonomi negeri selepas tamatnya Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan (PKP).

Ketua Menteri Datuk Seri Panglima Mohd Shafie Apdal berkata, unit itu akan bekerjasama erat dengan syarikat telekomunikasi bagi memastikan semua kawasan di Sabah boleh diakses.

Misalnya, jika ingin mengeksport sayur dari Ranau boleh berhubung melalui online dan tidak perlu lagi dihantar ke Pasar Besar Kota Kinabalu.

Beliau berkata demikian semasa Majlis Penyampaian Sumbangan Barangan Keperluan Perubatan yang disumbangkan oleh Yayasan Osimal, MSIC Life Insurance Berhad dan Caring Pharmacy kepada kerajaan negeri, di sini hari ini.





Dalam pada itu, beliau melahirkan penghargaan terhadap Yayasan Osimal, MSIC Life Insurance Berhad dan Caring Pharmacy atas sumbangan peralatan perubatan yang diberikan dalam usaha membantu petugas barisan hadapan.

Antara peralatan yang disumbangkan adalah 10,000 kit ujian reagen, alat pengesan Covid-19, pelitup muka (face mask), alat pelindung muka dan gaun perubatan.

Turut hadir adalah Pengerusi Yayasan Osimal Tan Sri Richard Malanjum dan Naib Pengerusi Yayasan Osimal Datuk Nellie Sikodol.

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## SABAH TO ANNOUNCE STAND ON CMCO ON MAY 12

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KOTA KINABALU: The Sabah government will announce its stand on the implementation of the Conditional Movement Control Order (CMCO) on May 12.

Chief Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal said for now, the state government will stick to its decision to continue with the Movement Control Order (MCO) in the effort to curb the spread of COVID-19 in Sabah.

Mohd Shafie said this did not mean that Sabah will not abide by the regulation made by the Federal Government but the state government must study pro-active preparatory measures before implementing the CMCO to ensure the health and safety of the people of Sabah, while at the same time enabling Sabah's economy to recover.

"We (the Sabah government) are very cautious. Every sector which will be operating (during the CMCO) must make preparations such as the food, transport, service sectors as well as the oil and gas industry where Sabah is one of the key states.



Speaking to reporters after the handing-over ceremony of medical equipment from Yayasan Osimal hee today, Mohd Shafie said he wanted the matter (CMCO) to be thoroughly studied first.,

On May 1, Prime Minister Prime Minister Tan Sri Muhyiddin Yassin announced that the CMCO will be imposed beginning May 4 to enable almost all sectors of the economy to re-open.





Yesterday, Senior Minister (Security) Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob said the imposition of the CMCO was gazetted and all states are subject to the standard operating procedure (SOP) which has been set as gazetted under the Prevention and Control of Infectious Diseases (Measures within Infected Local Areas) (No. 4) Regulations 2020.

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## BUKAN MASA BERGADUH TENTANG UNDANG-UNDANG, SHAFIE

May 5, 2020



Oleh **SURAIDAH ROSLAN**

KOTA KINABALU: "Ini bukan masanya untuk bergaduh pasal undang-undang,".

Demikian ulasan ringkas Ketua Menteri Datuk Seri Panglima Mohd Shafie Apdal mengenai kenyataan Menteri Kanan merangkap Menteri Perdagangan Antarabangsa dan Industri (MITI), Datuk Seri Mohamed Azmin Ali.

Azmin menyatakan pihak industri boleh mengambil tindakan undang-undang ke atas mana-mana negeri yang bertindak menghalang mereka memulakan operasi bermula semalam (4 Mei).

Mohd Shafie berkata, ini bukan masanya untuk membincangkan siapa yang ada kuasa dan tiada kuasa.



"Ini adalah masa untuk kita bekerjasama menyelamatkan nyawa manusia disamping kita mahu ekonomi negara dipulihkan.

"Kita tidak boleh memulihkan ekonomi dengan mengorbankan nyawa rakyat. Kita memang mahu keadaan ekonomi disuburkan.

"Saya tidak mahu memberi respon sangat kerana kita lebih tahu apa yang penting sekarang adalah nyawa manusia," ujarnya.

Beliau berkata demikian semasa Majlis Penyampaian Sumbangan Barangan Keperluan Perubatan yang disumbangkan oleh Yayasan Osimal, MSIC Life Insurance Berhad dan Caring Pharmacy kepada kerajaan negeri, di sini hari ini.

Menurutnya, tidak bagus untuk bergaduh mengenai undang-undang untuk melihat siapa yang berkuasa kerana ini bukan tempat dan musimnya.





“Apa yang penting sekarang adalah kita menguruskan negara kita dengan sebaiknya agar nyawa manusia dapat diselamatkan.

“Ini bukan tugas yang mudah kerana kita perlu menyeimbangkan antara keselamatan nyawa manusia dan keselamatan perniagaan,” jelasnya.

Mengulas lanjut, beliau berkata, pasaran di negara ini boleh dibuka namun pasaran dunia masih belum dibuka maka, aktiviti eksport masih belum dapat dilaksanakan.

Atas sebab itu, beliau sudah menyusun atur pelabuhan dan kapal yang ada untuk tingkatkan sektor ekonomi.

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## KERAJAAN PERSEKUTUAN JANGAN BUAT KEPUTUSAN SENDIRI, PERLU LIBATKAN NEGERI

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Oleh **SURAIDAH ROSLAN**

KOTA KINABALU: Kerajaan Sabah berharap pandangan kerajaan negeri akan diambil kira sebelum sebarang keputusan mengenai pelaksanaan Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan Bersyarat (PKPB) di peringkat Persekutuan diumumkan.

Ketua Menteri, Datuk Seri Panglima Mohd Shafie Apdal berkata, Kerajaan Persekutuan perlu berhubung dan berbincang dengan kerajaan negeri sebelum sesuatu keputusan dibuat.

Beliau berkata, perbincangan penting kerana akhirnya keputusan yang dibuat itu perlu dilaksanakan oleh kerajaan negeri.

"Kita yang akan melaksanakan keputusan dibuat oleh mereka jadi, pandangan kita perlu diambil kira.



“Mereka kena tahu dan faham keadaan persekitaran negeri sama ada boleh melaksanakan secara terus atau tidak, sebaik sahaja keputusan diumumkan.

“Itu yang saya minta supaya berikan masa kepada kerajaan negeri untuk membuat persediaan sebelum pelaksanaan dibuat,” katanya ketika mengulas mengenai pendirian kerajaan negeri mengenai pelaksanaan PKPB seperti diumumkan kerajaan persekutuan.

Beliau berkata demikian semasa Majlis Penyampaian Sumbangan Barangan Keperluan Perubatan yang disumbangkan oleh Yayasan Osimal, MSIC Life Insurance Berhad dan Caring Pharmacy.

Menurutnya, biarpun ada yang menyatakan perbincangan sudah dilakukan, namun di peringkat negeri Sabah, tiada sebarang makluman diberikan.





Mohd. Shafie berkata, memang mesyuarat menteri-menteri kanan diadakan setiap hari tetapi tidak melibatkan pimpinan negeri.

Atas sebab itu, beliau meminta biarpun tidak dibabitkan dalam mesyuarat, namun sekurang-kurangnya maklumkan kepada kerajaan negeri tentang apa keputusan yang bakal diambil.

“Janganlah lepas buat keputusan, minta kerajaan negeri ikut. Jangan buat begitu, kena juga lihat kapasiti dan persekitaran kita duluan.

“Berbincang dengan kita sama ada kita mempunyai kapasiti untuk laksanakan secara serta-merta. Ini tidak berhubung dengan saya pun,” jelasnya.

Dalam pada itu, Mohd. Shafie berkata, kerajaan negeri akan mengumumkan sektor ekonomi berkaitan yang akan dibuka selepas Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan (PKP) berakhir 12 Mei ini.

Katanya, kerajaan akan melihat sektor berkaitan yang boleh dibuka semasa pelaksanaan PKPB seperti sektor keselamatan makanan, pengangkutan awam, minyak dan gas serta beberapa sektor yang berkepentingan lain.

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## Sabah umum pendirian mengenai PKPB 12 Mei

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*Mohd Shafie (dua, kanan) menyerahkan bantuan Covid-19 daripada Osimal Foundation kepada Pengarah Kesihatan Sabah Datuk Dr Christina Rundi (dua, kiri) pada majlis itu. – fotoBERNAMA*

**KOTA KINABALU:** Kerajaan Sabah akan mengumumkan pendirian negeri itu terhadap pelaksanaan Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan Bersyarat (PKPB) pada 12 Mei ini.

Ketua Menteri, Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal, berkata buat masa ini, kerajaan negeri kekal dengan keputusan untuk meneruskan pelaksanaan Perintah Kawalan Pergerakan (PKP) dalam usaha membendung penularan Covid-19 di Sabah.

Mohd Shafie berkata ini bukan bermaksud Sabah tidak mahu mengikut peraturan ditetapkan kerajaan Persekutuan, namun, kerajaan negeri perlu meneliti terlebih dahulu beberapa langkah proaktif sebagai persediaan sebelum melaksanakan PKPB ke arah menjamin kesihatan dan keselamatan rakyat Sabah, dalam masa sama, berupaya menggerakkan usaha memulihkan sektor ekonomi.

"Kita (kerajaan Sabah) sangat berhati-hati. Setiap sektor yang akan beroperasi (pada PKPB) ini perlu ada persediaannya terutama sektor penting termasuk makanan, pengangkutan, perkhidmatan, serta industri minyak dan gas.

"Tidak boleh katakan, hari ini diumumkan (PKPB), kita pun ikut (tanpa sebarang) persediaan. Atas sebab itu, saya melihat perkara ini perlu diteliti secara mendalam," katanya kepada pemberita selepas majlis penyerahan bekalan peralatan perubatan daripada Yayasan Osimal, di sini, pada Selasa.

Isnin lepas, Menteri Kanan (Keselamatan), Datuk Seri Ismail Sabri Yaakob menyatakan pelaksanaan PKPB sudah diwartakan dan semua negeri tertakluk kepada prosedur operasi standard (SOP) yang ditetapkan seperti diwartakan mengikut Akta Pencegahan dan Pengawalan Penyakit Berjangkit 1988 (Akta 342).

Mengulas lanjut, Mohd Shafie berharap kerajaan Persekutuan berhubung dengan kerajaan negeri terlebih dahulu sebelum membuat sebarang keputusan termasuk mengambil kira pandangan negeri bagi memastikan keselamatan dan kesihatan rakyat serta pembangunan ekonomi diurus tadbir dengan baik dalam tempoh sekarang.

"Ini masa untuk bekerjasama mengurus negara dengan baik. Ini bukan tugas mudah (sebaliknya) perlu tindakan seimbang antara keselamatan rakyat dan juga mengembangkan ekonomi," katanya.

Dalam pada itu, Mohd Shafie berkata, Sabah sentiasa peka terhadap keperluan pembangunan sektor ekonomi dan ini dapat dibuktikan menerusi tindakan kerajaan negeri membenarkan beberapa sektor seperti perladangan, industri minyak dan gas serta bekalan makanan beroperasi sepanjang PKP.

Bagaimanapun, setiap sektor terbabit perlu beroperasi mengikut peraturan serta SOP disediakan kerajaan negeri bagi memastikan penularan wabak dapat dibendung di tempat kerja, katanya.

Sementara itu, Mohd Shafie berkata Kerajaan Sabah sedang bekerjasama rapat dengan syarikat telekomunikasi bagi meningkatkan akses Internet di seluruh negeri dalam usaha memantapkan ekonomi digitalnya.

Sehubungan itu, katanya, kerajaan negeri akan menubuhkan unit ekonomi digital bagi memacu usaha memperkasa sektor berkenaan.

Usaha ini bertujuan meningkatkan pemasaran dalam talian yang kini menjadi sebahagian kelaziman baharu, katanya.

"Jika ada platform ekonomi digital yang mantap, petani dan pembekal sayur-sayuran dari Kundasang, Ranau contohnya, tidak perlu lagi pergi ke Kota Kinabalu untuk memasarkan produk mereka, sebaliknya hanya menggunakan sistem dalam talian.

"Sebab itu perlu dipastikan semua kawasan di Sabah mempunyai capaian Internet," katanya.

Pada majlis itu, Yayasan Osimal antara lain menyumbangkan pelitup separuh muka (24,000 keping), pelitup muka (5,000 unit) dan pakaian pelindungan diri (PPE) (800 unit).



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## Consult us before making decisions, Shafie tells Federal Govt

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**KOTA KINABALU:** The State Government is sticking to its decision to continue with the Movement Control Order (MCO) Phase 4 until May 12, instead of moving into the Conditional MCO (CMCO) phase announced by the Prime Minister on May 1, for the sake of protecting the people in Sabah.

Chief Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Shafie Apdal (pic) said any further decision (to follow the CMCO or otherwise) would be made on May 12, the end of the MCO Phase 4 period.

The Federal Government had earlier asked all states to implement the CMCO, the Phase 5, which applies nationwide effective from May 4.

"We will continue with the implementation of the MCO Phase 4 until May 12, as had been announced by the Prime Minister. The State Government is doing this for protecting the lives of the people of Sabah from the Covid-19 pandemic.

"This is while at the same time doing all our best to ease the impacts of Covid-19 and the MCO restrictions to the State's economic sectors.

"After all, what we are doing here is actually not that too strict, as we had already eased the restrictions for certain economic sectors like oil palm, petroleum, agriculture and food, among others.

"It is not about us do not want to comply with any law, as we have been complying in terms of the measures to be taken to curb the spread of Covid-19.

"Now is not the time to talk about who is more superior or fight about the laws," he said, after receiving contributions of medical equipment from four different organisations at Hospital Mesra in Bukit Padang, Tuesday.

He was asked to comment on the Federal Government's call to all states to follow the implementation of the CMCO. International Trade and Industry Minister Datuk Seri Mohd Azmin Ali had also warned the nine states not complying with the CMCO that they risk businesses in these States suing them over losses for remaining closed.

Mohd Shafie, who is also State Finance Minister, hoped the Federal Government would consult the State Government on any measures it intends to take, and not let the State Government only know about it through Astro Awani, TV3 and so on.

"You (Federal Government) must do some consultation with the state governments, because we are the ones to implement the decisions made by you. We can do it via a teleconference if we cannot go there (to Putrajaya)...even Donald Trump (United States President) contacted the governors of every state in the US.

"At least the state governments can provide valuable input and feedback to the Federal Government.

"We don't know whether they (in the Federal Government) truly know and understand the situation or environment at the state-level, whether any of the decisions they made can be implemented at the state-level or not...the states may also need some time to make apt preparation to implement whatever is decided at the Federal level," he said.

Asked about Azmin's advice, Mohd Shafie said:

"Well this is not the time for us to fight about laws or talk about who have the power and who don't have it, because this is the time for us to save lives while at the same time we want to revive the country's economy.

"I don't want to respond too much, what is important to us is human lives, to save human lives."

On Azmin's contention that the state governments were already informed about the CMCO in a meeting held before, Mohd Shafie asked "when did he (Azmin) have a meeting with me?"

"I know the senior ministers had a daily meeting in Kuala Lumpur, but it does not involve us. They should at least, even if we were not able to attend, tell us whatever decision to be made...at least disseminate the information to us and get input from every state government," he said.

He said the State Government is also doing its best to help the economic sectors in Sabah, providing them assistance through various initiatives as had been mentioned in the stimulus package announced before, including the RM90 million prepared for the small and medium enterprises (SMEs) through the Sabah Credit Corporation and so on.

Mohd Shafie said he would soon set up a Digital Economy Unit under the Chief Minister's Department (CMD) with the collaboration of telecommunication providers like Maxis, Celcom and so on as part of efforts to boost the online business sector in Sabah.

He also thanked Tuesday's contributors, namely the Osimal Foundation which donated 5,000 face shields, 4,000 N95 face masks and 300 protective clothing, MCIS Life Insurance Berhad (3,000 hazmat suits/high level isolation gowns), Caring Pharmacy (20,000 face masks and 500 protective clothing) and Kenson Medical Clinic (2000 surgical masks, 1500 face shields and 200 KN95 face masks).

Their generous contributions helped the State Government to provide protection for all frontliners and also the people from Covid-19 infection, he said, while asking the people in Sabah not be too complacent that infection in Sabah is currently at a controllable level.

"We see an encouraging trend in Sabah, where we can say that Covid-19 infection is under control. But we cannot be too complacent and must continue to protect ourselves and our loved ones," he said, adding it also proven that the State Government is on the right track on its measures to curb the pandemic.

Mohd Shafie also disclosed that the State Government is also in process of arranging for the return of a small number of Sabahans who have requested to come home from the Philippines and Kalimantan, Indonesia.

He said they would be subjected to the existing standard operating procedures which include a mandatory 14-day quarantine at the designated quarantine centres.

State Health Department Director Datuk Dr Christina Rundi, Osimal Foundation Chairman Tan Sri Richard Malanjum, Vice Chairman Datuk Nellie Sikodol, MCIS Life Insurance Berhad Sabah's Business Development Manager Annie Thien Saik Ling, Caring Pharmacy's Sabah Branch Manager Cassandra Chee and Dr Loriot Kenson of Kenson Medical Clinic were among present.