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Happy heart beat of a 3-year-old child

Baby Jevonte, a 3-year-old Zimbabwean child suffered from a cardiac murmur since birth – A condition of heart sounds produced when blood flows across one of the heart valves that is loud enough to be heard with a stethoscope. The child was diagnosed with congenital heart disease in Zimbabwe and was referred to Wockhardt Hospitals for further treatment.

Under the able supervision of Dr. Suresh Joshi, Director – Congenital & Paediatric Cardiac Centre, Wockhardt Hospitals, South Mumbai, the baby was thoroughly evaluated. The reports confirmed her diagnosis of malaligned Ventricular Septal Defect (VSD) with double-chambered right ventricle (DCRV).

The baby was prepared for surgery and treated for a pericardial patch closure of VSD with resection of the DCRV along with the main pulmonary artery (MPA) patch plasty. Post-surgery, she was under observation in the ICU and weaned off the ventilator in 18 hours. In less than 2 days from surgery, she was shifted back to the room. In her room, she was regularly monitored. Her oxygen saturation was reported 100% upon discharge as against 84% on admission.

Her mother expressed gratitude towards the whole team of Wockhardt. Baby Jevonte is now leading a normal life with her family and friends back in Zimbabwe.



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Dr. Joshi is a pioneer to establish open heart surgery in neonates & infants in Mumbai, India. He is first to introduce in India 'Minimally Invasive & Thoracoscopic Cardiac Surgery'.

Patient's name is kept confidential