



International
Medical Corps

ACCOUNTABILITY REPORT 6 MONTHS IN HAITI



FAST, EFFICIENT RESPONSE

4:53pm: A 7.0 earthquake hits Haiti. 17 minutes later International Medical Corps is preparing our Emergency Response Team. Within 5 hours, medical volunteers are deploying. 22 hours after the earthquake, we are saving lives on the ground in Port-au-Prince, working side-by-side with our Haitian medical counterparts.

During our initial response efforts we brought in as many essential medicines and supplies as we could carry and were able to treat patients immediately. In the days that followed, International Medical Corps quickly established a logistics base in the Dominican Republic and implemented a supply chain to successfully deliver additional basic supplies. To date, we have distributed more than \$9 million in donated medicines, supplies and equipment through the generosity of our gift-in-kind partners, including:

- ▶ AmeriCares
- ▶ Bridge Foundation
- ▶ Child First Meds: Lucress and Dick Watson Children's Foundation
- ▶ Health Partners International - Canada
- ▶ Heart to Heart International
- ▶ Henry Schein Cares
- ▶ International Health Partners
- ▶ International Relief Teams
- ▶ Luftfahrt ohne Grenzen/Aviation without Borders
- ▶ Medicines for Humanity
- ▶ Operation USA



"At the end of our 9th full day working at the University Hospital in Haiti, we have made remarkable progress in a little more than a week, and a hospital has emerged."

"The hospital complex is really taking shape now. The tents are wall-to-wall and all filled with patients. We have arranged for electricity and sanitation. We have oxygen bottles and new stretchers."

Dr. Paul Auerbach
Volunteer Surgeon



WORLD-CLASS MEDICAL EXPERTISE

International Medical Corps drew from our dedicated staff of medical experts and our 25-year history of providing health interventions in the world's most difficult environments to mobilize an unprecedented response in Haiti. We augmented our relief efforts with over 400 medical volunteers through coordination with our health partners across the United States. We have sent emergency room, intensive care, and pediatric doctors and nurses as well as mental health experts and infectious disease specialists from organizations including:

- ▶ Columbia University
- ▶ Highland Hospital, Oakland, CA
- ▶ Johns Hopkins University
- ▶ Northwestern University
- ▶ Rush University Medical Center
- ▶ Service Employees International Union
- ▶ Stanford University
- ▶ University of California Los Angeles
- ▶ University of Chicago
- ▶ University of Connecticut
- ▶ University of Illinois



Our Services in Haiti



Emergency
Medical Care



Secondary &
Tertiary Health Care



Training



Women's &
Children's Health



Primary
Health Care



Maternal Health



Nutrition



Mental Health
& Psychosocial



Water &
Sanitation



Protection

LONG-TERM COMMITMENT THROUGH TRAINING

Although our focus in the first six months has been on providing emergency response during one of the worst natural disasters in recent times, we simultaneously kept sight of long-term goals. In line with our mission, International Medical Corps is committed to training local health professionals and building the capacity of the health care system to return Haiti to self-reliance.





HÔPITAL DE L'UNIVERSITÉ D'ÉTAT D'HAÏTI (HUEH)

Immediately following the earthquake, International Medical Corps partnered with the hospital administrators to ensure the orderly intake of patients, efficient triage and management of patient care. We created an emergency surgical facility and established a telecommunications system to enable communication between hospital wards. We were also responsible for setting up the first fully functioning Intensive Care Unit (ICU) at a public hospital in Haiti. To ensure the ongoing availability of emergency services, we set up an Emergency Room and are working with the hospital's administration to ensure access to surgical, medical and emergency obstetric, trauma and wound care.

"Do you plan on living here the rest of your life and triaging, or would you rather train people so when you leave you know that at least you handed the torch over to the next group and the system we all worked so hard to initiate won't break down?"

Gabriela McAdoo
Emergency Room Nurse

MOBILE CLINICS

A pressing emergency need is to bring health care to underserved areas throughout Haiti. International Medical Corps has been operating 15 mobile medical units throughout Port-au-Prince and the surrounding regions. Services, including emergency and primary health care, maternal and child health, immunization and communicable disease surveillance, and health education, are provided through a combination of both static and mobile medical clinics.



Miracle Amidst the Rubble

When the 7.0 earthquake struck, Turlanje, 32, was in labor. "I was worried. I wasn't expecting to be having my baby during a tragedy," she says. The earthquake caused the neighboring house to topple over her home, causing the roof to cave in on top of her. When she emerged miraculously unharmed, Turlanje was having serious labor pains. "Even the midwife lost one of her children," Turlanje says. "But even though she was sad, she took care of me."

They met in the yard of St. Bernadette Church, where baby Gael was born at 1:00 AM, just 8 hours after the quake. Today, Gael is a healthy six-month-old baby. The two regularly visit the International Medical Corps clinic at Bolosse, which stands just in front of the yard where Gael was born six months ago amidst the death, destruction, and chaos.



TRAINING

International Medical Corps continues to work side-by-side with the people and government of Haiti to rebuild hospitals, clinics, and the health infrastructure that was nearly wiped out in the earthquake. We are training existing health workers to provide care in critical areas such as maternal health, HIV/AIDS, nutrition, and mental health and psychosocial support as well as pharmacy management, sanitation and hygiene, and emergency response.



MENTAL HEALTH & CHILD PROTECTION

International Medical Corps is also prioritizing the healthy psychological development of children through two programs that work with mothers, caretakers, and children’s residential centers to create safe environments where children can learn, play, and grow. International Medical Corps has recruited and trained 26 workers, including baby tent monitors, institutional support monitors and facilitators to provide psychosocial services in camps, children’s residential centers and earthquake-affected areas throughout Haiti.



“This is all part of what International Medical Corps is about. We are not just about coming in during the acute phase and then disappearing after two or three weeks. We are in it for the long haul.”

Dr. Ramona Tascoe
Internist



Nutrition

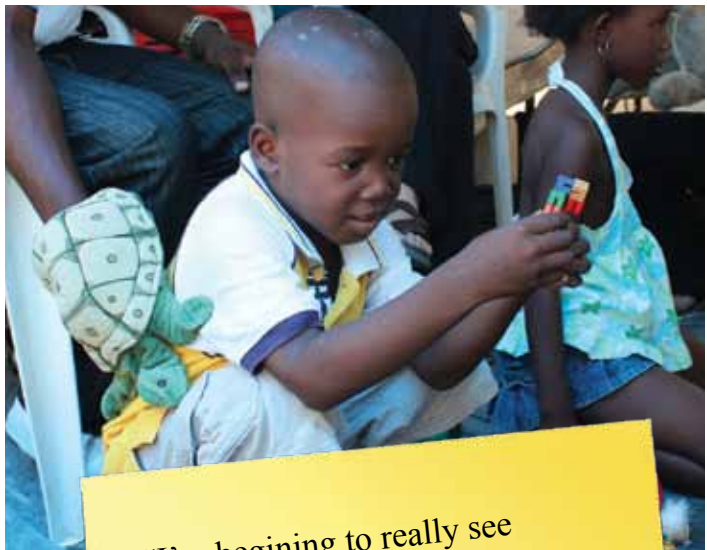
At 187 residential centers throughout Haiti, International Medical Corps distributed high-energy biscuits to more than 13,000 children. We are now transitioning to supplementary feeding sites in Port-au-Prince, Petit-Goave and Miragoane where families will receive nutrition education and supplemental food, including Plumpy’Nut (a peanut butter-like nutrient-dense food) and fortified cereals. In addition, we will provide nutritional support to pregnant and lactating women.



Monley

Six months ago, 5-year-old Monley was pulled from the rubble of his home after being trapped for an astonishing 8 days. We found him, dirt-caked and feeble, in the streets of Port-au-Prince, just after his uncle had uncovered him from the blocks of cement that killed his parents. International Medical Corps Medical Director Dr. Neil Joyce gave him electrolytes and rushed him to HUEH, where our volunteer staff administered an IV and cared for him.

In the months that followed, International Medical Corps psychiatrist Dr. Lynne Jones visited Monley and his family at a displacement camp in Port-au-Prince. Because the earthquake killed their parents, Monley and his two brothers are cared for by their uncle. They are now out of the camp and living in their old neighborhood in a tent near the rubble of Monley’s former home. His uncle is still struggling to find work, but all of the children, including Monley, are healthy, happy to be back at school and near their friends.



“I’m begining to really see how we can make an impact on improving mental health in the region through our training and participation in clinical work. This is all thanks to the enthusiasm of our Haitian health hosts.”

Dr. Peter Hughes
Psychiatrist



Thank you! Your contributions made the following possible in the first six months:

- ▶ 110,000 patient consultations
- ▶ \$9+ million in donated medicines, supplies and equipment distributed
- ▶ 400 medical volunteers from top-tier universities and medical centers worldwide
- ▶ 270 local staff members employed and being trained throughout Haiti
- ▶ 75 community mental health volunteers in ongoing training
- ▶ 15 mobile clinics
- ▶ 8 mobile clinics integrated with mental health services
- ▶ 1 fully functioning Intensive Care Unit at Hôpital de l'Université d'État d'Haïti (HUEH)
- ▶ 1 fully functioning Emergency Room at HUEH
- ▶ 18,345 Haitians directly affected by improved water, sanitation and hygiene services
- ▶ 1,578 hygiene kits and water purification tablets for family use
- ▶ 118 latrines (+154 under construction) & 44 washrooms constructed



“What [International Medical Corps] is doing is something wonderful. We had so many problems before the earthquake. We had nothing in terms of health care. And then International Medical Corps came.”

Gabriel, resident of the coastal village of Platon, where International Medical Corps is using a boat to reach isolated people

By Investing in International Medical Corps



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REFLECTING BACK LOOKING FORWARD

We are extremely proud of the unwavering support of our donors, volunteers and partners to date and we thank you. As we continue to look forward, we see that our work in Haiti is far from over. At the six-month mark, Haiti is at a critical point on the path to recovery. As attention wanes and the impending hurricane season threatens, there remains a high risk that Haiti will undergo a second disaster when the country is at its most vulnerable.



Earthquake-affected Haitians remain in makeshift camps after losing their homes and sources of income. Tent cities stand to be washed away in the oncoming hurricanes as rain waters simultaneously carry in potentially fatal waterborne illnesses. Thousands, including the wounded and children, face a lack of basic resources: clean drinking water, food and medical care. Countless others suffer from trauma-induced mental disorders with no access to medicines or trained mental health workers. It is critical that International Medical Corps continues to provide resources, training and care in Haiti. With your help we can stay committed to the Haitian people and help rebuild.

For more information on our work in Haiti please visit: www.InternationalMedicalCorps.org/HaitiReport