



# HOSPITALSforHUMANITY

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Dear Prospective Partner,

Hospitals For Humanity (HFH) is a registered 501(C) 3 organization in the United States and a registered non-profit organization that provides health care to people living in underserved regions of the world including the United States. Through the establishment of modern medical facilities and Medical Mission Initiatives (MMIs), Hospitals for Humanity strives to build lasting infrastructures to carry out sustained improvements in global health care delivery systems.

Hospitals For Humanity extends an invitation to Nurse Practitioners to participate in our Medical Mission Initiative (MMI) to Ijumu Land, Kogi State, Nigeria. The dates are December 1-12, 2012. All expenses are covered except visas, vaccines and passport fees. We are looking for physicians of all specialties (especially General Surgeons, ER, Pediatricians, Internal Medicine and OB/GYN), CRNAs, NPs, PAs, RNs, Pharmacists, MLTs, EMTs and Surgical Techs.

Our efforts are currently focused on communities in Haiti, Nigeria and the Philippines. Our most recent Medical Mission Initiative (MMI) was in partnership with Isanlu Health Development Trust Fund. During this week long MMI, the team provided care to local citizens of Isanlu, Kogi State. Over 5,000 patients were treated and 320 general and ophthalmic surgeries were conducted. During past MMIs to Nigeria, we have provided care to patients in Makoko; Lagos city; Isanlu, a city in Kogi State and a local village outside of Abuja. In 2008, we had the opportunity to serve nearly 10,000 patients in Kogi State. However, HFH estimated that the number of patients left untreated was too many to count. In 2009 and 2010, we again had the opportunity to serve nearly 10,000 patients in Kogi state. This sustained number of patients requiring medical treatment has certainly served to identify and support the need for Medical Mission Initiatives.

After the January 12th, 2010 catastrophic earthquake that hit the capital city of Port-au-Prince, Haiti, HFH immediately mobilized volunteer medical teams to provide emergency medical services to earthquake victims. A 59-member volunteer team consisting of: Orthopedic surgeons, Family Medicine, OB-GYN, ER, Trauma, Internal Medicine Physicians, Nurses, Nurse Practitioners, Physician Assistants, and Medical Students were able to respond. The commitment of HFH staff resulted in \$30,000.00 of secured donations for a private jet to fly into Haiti. Since then, HFH committed to providing free healthcare to the Haitian people for a minimum of one year. These efforts are all provided through the gracious donations from sponsors and made possible by compassionate volunteers.

Since December of 2011, HFH has conducted 5 additional MMIs and increased our total patient population to over 65,000. We have added 2 new departments: The Special Medical Services Department (SMSD) and the Department of Dentistry. The Special Medical Services Department is intended to respond to special cases that cannot be handled by Medical Mission Initiatives.



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This department oversees chronic illnesses and diseases for individuals by helping to evaluate the diagnosis; refer patient to a local hospital or neighboring country where the ailment can be better treated; and offers medical advice to the patients and families. This department is currently sourcing a state-of-the-art hearing aid for a child in Nigeria.

The Dentistry department's goal is to improve the oral health of local individuals, thereby improving their overall general health and quality of life. This department offers free dental services, including emergency care; preventive treatment; oral hygiene products and educational information.

This initiative is designed to give quality healthcare to citizens of Ijumu and the surrounding communities in Kogi State, Nigeria. Our focus areas of healthcare are: Ophthalmology, Primary Care Medicine, Pediatrics, OB/Gyn, Dentistry and Education. Additionally, we will identify eligible surgical cases, hence our invitation to medical professionals.

The Hospitals for Humanity Team will consist of 20 participants comprised of Physicians, Nurses, Pharmacists and Auxiliary staff from the United States as well as, our healthcare professional counterparts in Nigeria.

Your organization is recognized as having compassionate medical professionals. More details will be communicated once you have confirmed your participation.

Please feel free to contact me. I may be reached via email at [Ajohnson@hospitalsforhumanity.org](mailto:Ajohnson@hospitalsforhumanity.org) or phone (224) 577-5479.

Please confirm your participation by emailing [Ajohnson@hospitalsforhumanity.org](mailto:Ajohnson@hospitalsforhumanity.org) no later than Monday, October 1, 2012.

Thank You.

Sincerely,

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