

Katrina Response: Repairing the Health Safety-Net

Hurricanes **Katrina** and **Rita** ravaged coastal communities throughout the Gulf Coast in August and September 2005, affecting over one million people and resulting in the largest national disaster in U.S. history.

Direct Relief's support efforts have been focused on restoring healthcare for displaced persons in hard-hit areas. The aim has been to infuse both material and financial assistance into both the major anchor health facilities that provide specialized services and the network of safety-net clinics that play the key role of caring for people who have little money and no insurance. Both types of facilities have undergone tremendous strain from surging patient visits, lack of revenue and, in many cases, storm-related damage.

Overall, Direct Relief has furnished over \$3.7 million in cash grants from the total of \$4.5 million in total hurricane contributions received. These targeted investments complement the infusion of \$26.1 million wholesale of essential medical resources – all of which were specifically requested by 66 end-user health professionals in five different states.

In March, Direct Relief hosted a conference with the directors of the nonprofit clinic associations in Mississippi, Louisiana, and Texas, along with national clinic association leaders, to devise a plan among the network of safety-net clinics in the region to ease their collection of information and material needs.

The clinic-association heads in the three states reported on severe strains caused by increased health needs, decreased net capacity in the health systems, and limited financial support

from federal or state sources. According to state clinic directors, between **78 and 87 percent** of documented hurricane evacuee patients treated at their facilities were uninsured.

With the remaining hurricane funds, Direct Relief will continue to invest in the key **frontline health facilities** in the affected areas serving hurricane victims. With the local health leaders, we also are forming plans to strengthen their ability to access medical material resources for the longer-term, as tremendous needs remain and better systems will help respond to future emergencies.

It is nine months after Katrina, but less than a month before the next hurricane season, and continued attention is urgently needed. Direct Relief will remain after the headlines fade and continue to help in the most efficient, productive way possible.

Direct Relief's cash investments with hurricane contributions–

- **Stabilized Touro Infirmiry**, the only hospital open for adults in the Greater New Orleans area with funding for the replacement of equipment and contaminated lab supplies. (\$250,000)
- **Provided** blood centrifuge, plasma freezing system, and other essential equipment to the largest distributor of blood in the Gulf region, The Blood Center. (\$300,000)
- **Established** medical call center to provide information on available medical and pharmaceutical services for two hardest-hit counties along Mississippi coast through the Gulfport Memorial Hospital. (\$65,000)
- **Financed** information technology systems for three rural hospitals' radiology departments in Louisiana to improve patient care. (\$150,000)



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Leaders of Gulf state clinic associations met at Direct Relief in March to develop processes to improve planning, response, and information sharing in the wake of Katrina and Rita.

DIRECT RELIEF NUMBERS

Fiscal Year 2006 April 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006

- \$201** million total aid furnished
- 23.8** million people served (courses of treatment provided)
- 56** countries served
- 612** number of aid shipments
- 849** tons weight of medical material aid furnished
- 72%** assistance furnished to least developed countries
- \$55** million wholesale value of material aid furnished for disaster relief
- \$11** million cash grants to disaster-stricken areas
- \$7.7** million cash contributions received for Tsunami, Katrina, and Pakistan relief
- 0** amount of disaster contributions spent on administration or fundraising

**Healthy people.
Better world.**

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From October 1, 2005 through March 31, 2006, Direct Relief International received medical aid with a wholesale value of over \$68.1 million. We thank the following donors whose generosity has enabled us to help millions of people around the world.

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Since 1996, Merck & Co., Inc. has made critically needed pharmaceuticals available to struggling clinics, hospitals, and other healthcare facilities throughout the developing world through donations to Direct Relief valued at \$17.5 million (wholesale). In 2003, Merck and Direct Relief expanded their partnership to include Merck's unique Annual Allotment program, which enables designated organizations to place advanced requests for a wide range of Merck's products, within a determined quarterly budget limit. This donation strategy allows Direct Relief the flexibility to select medicines well in advance based upon our projection of partners' needs in the field. This flexibility improves Direct Relief's inventory and therefore the quality of assistance to partners by strategically assessing and filling program needs.

Among the products that Merck has provided for use in Direct Relief's humanitarian programs are the antibiotic Primaxin[®], the anti-hypertensive Prinivil[®], Pepcid[®] for heartburn, and Clinoril[®] an anti-inflammatory and pain reliever. Through the Merck Annual Allotment program, Direct Relief is able to furnish these important medications to healthcare partners to enhance patient care in developing countries throughout the world.

Merck's corporate contributions programs through Direct Relief help strengthen the day-to-day care furnished in clinics worldwide that typically lack the financial resources to acquire medicines, equipment, and supplies. For example, the Fraternity Medical Center received Merck's Prinivil[®]. The Center is a 30-bed hospital that was established in the city of Buea by a small group of Cameroonian physicians who wanted to provide quality health services to people with little or no income, and treats an average of 7,000 patients each year. The hospital provides pre- and post- natal care, delivery services, emergency care, pediatrics, family planning and primary care services. In addition, the facility has an extensive community outreach program which provides immunizations, child wellness exams, and health education on topics such as healthy pregnancy and HIV/AIDS.

New Partnership Expands and Improves Maternal-Child Health Services



MARIE STOPES
INTERNATIONAL

Direct Relief and Marie Stopes International (MSI) have entered into a worldwide partnership to provide medical material assistance to clinics and outreach programs serving 4.3 million low-income and impoverished people in 39 countries across Africa, Asia, Latin America, and the Middle East.

Marie Stopes International, a London-based nongovernmental organization, operates a **global network of 334 clinics** and community-based programs providing reproductive and maternal-child health services, family planning and HIV/AIDS education and prevention services to populations in need.

Under the agreement, Direct Relief will provide essential medical material each month to MSI clinics in rotating countries based on the specific needs and requests from the facilities. The partnership will strengthen current efforts to address HIV/AIDS, including voluntary counseling, testing services, and prevention.



PQMD

Direct Relief Hosts Annual Meeting of Leading Industry-Nonprofit Consortium

The Partnership for Quality Medical Donations (PQMD), an alliance of 25 non-governmental agencies and health care manufacturers, held its annual meeting at Direct Relief's warehouse headquarters in February. At the meeting, PQMD reported that its members' donations more than doubled in 2004, reaching \$3.2 billion in medicines, vaccines, medical supplies and cash - compared to \$1.4 billion for 2003. Preliminary 2005 results, with not all data compiled, amounted to just under \$3 billion. Direct Relief's Vice President of Philanthropic Investment, **Anthoula Randopoulos**, has served in the capacity of chairman over the last two years.

Direct Relief's Disaster Coordinator **Brett Williams** this month represented Direct Relief among a group sponsored by PQMD, including Pfizer and Map International, to test a pilot program to obtain exact GPS coordinates of each partner supported health facility in Honduras. The program will allow for a more coordinated effort among our colleague organizations and medical manufacture donors to be able to pinpoint the exact location of the closest health facility during a time of disaster.

Latin America

Direct Relief Implements New Program to Improve Maternal-Child Health

In an effort to improve maternal-child health services (MCH) in high-need countries, Direct Relief has implemented a MCH module pilot program with five of our long-term partners. The partners were selected based on needs, program quality, capacity, and having an established and productive Direct Relief working relationship. Through the provision of requested and appropriate MCH technology, partners will be better equipped to prevent and treat health problems among pre- and post-partum mothers and their children. Ultrasound machines will enable our partners to identify possible birth complications and incubators will keep premature babies warm and improve their chances of survival.

One such partner is the **Unidad Salud Luis Poma** medical clinic located in the town of San Julian, which serves an AmerIndian population of 40,000 whose ancestry goes back to the pre-Colombian Yaqui and Pipil tribes. The clinic focuses on primary care services with an emphasis on maternal-child health and is administered by **The Salvadorian Foundation (FUSAL)**, a longstanding and excellent Direct Relief partner has collaborated with on many occasions.

Direct Relief designed a MCH module for this facility, to upgrade and expand their prenatal, delivery services, and neo-natal services. A January 2006 shipment contained an ultrasound unit, a fetal monitor, birthing beds, baby incubators, adult and baby scales, exam tables, and other patient examination equipment and supplies. The facility will now be able to offer OB/GYN services to a larger number of women and children, with an anticipated 21,000 pre- and post-natal checkups.

FUSAL responded to the new equipment by committing to increase maternal-child health-related staffing by hiring an OB/GYN, additional nurses, and midwives.

From the Field

Responding to Healthcare Crisis in Honduras

On February 28 the president of Honduras declared a state of emergency due to a shortage of medicine in the nation's hospitals. There were reports that hospitals, clinics, and rural health posts had a minimal amount of medicine at their locations. The recently elected president just six months after his narrow victory is attempting to solve this problem.



A young girl receives IV chemotherapy at Hospital Escuela in Tegucigalpa, Honduras. Escuela is the only hospital in Honduras that provides cancer treatment for children.

DOCTOR'S CORNER: HIV/AIDS in Zimbabwe

In spite of a slow and insidious slide into economic chaos and healthcare depravity, many healthcare workers in Zimbabwe Africa heroically struggle against the ravages of HIV/AIDS. Zimbabwe's average lifespan of 39 years is among the shortest of any country. Until recently, the countrywide incidence of HIV positivity was 25%, that is over 2.5 million of a total population of 12 million. One hundred babies become HIV positive each day and the number of orphans has risen to one million. Sixty to seventy percent of deaths under five years of age are due to HIV/AIDS.

Against this rather bleak background Direct Relief partners such as The JF Kapneck Trust are struggling mightily in a situation where many colleague organizations are leaving the country. We, at Direct Relief, feel just the opposite and have been thanked and acknowledged by the Zimbabwean Government for looking to increase our presence as the situation worsens. Whether it be aid to outreach programs providing palliative care to the dying, or equipping a surgical suite to provide Caesarian births to prevent the maternal to child transmission of the virus, Direct Relief is partnering with many organizations in this country to stem the tide of this ongoing humanitarian disaster.

*Bill Morton Smith, M.D.
Chief Medical Officer*

Direct Relief will continue to furnish assistance to urban hospitals and rural clinics throughout the country with a focus on the following two facilities:

Honduran Health Exchange has focused on serving the population that has been left out of society: the rural poor, torture victims, current inmates, and all of their families. Direct Relief has partnered with this extraordinary organization for over seven years. They have two clinics in Tegucigalpa that serve the barrios and prison inmates' families. They also have a team of committed traveling doctors called the Medical Brigade who travel into the country side and provide healthcare to around 50 villages throughout the country, as well as frequenting Honduras' prisons in order to provide healthcare for those who have been left out of the general system. Dr. Juan Almdares who was formerly the dean of faculty and president of the National University of Honduras, Tegucigalpa, founded this unique organization. He has received a number of awards for his incredible work, one being the Barbara Chester Award from the World Health Organization.

Hospital San Felipe, which is a government-run facility located in Honduras' capital, Tegucigalpa. The hospital averages 2,000 patient visits daily, the cost of each visit is 1 limpera or \$0.06. It is the only facility in Honduras that can provide cobalt therapy for cancer, thus it has become the country's leading cancer hospital. The hospital provides educational programs to help people detect the onset of cancer (especially breast cancer) by conducting self-examinations. In the past, Direct Relief and the Rotary Club of Bishop, California have helped to build a pediatric ward and a large water tank that allows the entire hospital to have potable water. Direct Relief has also furnished baby cribs and other pediatric specific equipment to outfit the new ward.

Tsunami Update

Direct Relief Furnishes \$54 Million in Direct Aid to Tsunami Affected Region

Since the tsunami of December 2004, Direct Relief has provided over \$54 million in direct aid to India, Indonesia, Somalia, Sri Lanka, India, and Somalia. Direct Relief is funding over 81 health-related projects and has donated 178 tons of specifically requested medicines, supplies, and equipment serving over 4.3 million



Direct Relief provided funding to assist the construction of a new health clinic for the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady Mother of Mercy in Indonesia.

people. Through the provision of 93 cash grants, Direct Relief has spent \$9,759,849 on health-related projects including health service delivery, clinic construction, medical equipment procurement, mobile medical unit provision, water and sanitation facility construction, malaria prevention, and psycho-social counseling and care.

The island of Nias, located off the Sumatra coast in Indonesia, was hit hard by the tsunami and then later ravished by an earthquake in March 2005. In response to the disaster and Nias' limited access to healthcare, Direct Relief recently sponsored the construction of a health clinic in Teluk Dalam which is run by the Sisters of Charity of Our Lady Mother of Mercy (SCMM). The clinic will treat 200 patients per day, has 20 in-patient beds, will provide primary, maternity care, and emergency care for years to come. The new clinic officially opened on February 28, 2006.

In Sri Lanka, Direct Relief is working to provide secure, long-lasting access to clean drinking water in the most severely affected neighborhoods of the hard hit North and East coasts by funding the construction of wells. Many wells were destroyed in the disaster or contaminated beyond use by salt

To provide safe drinking water and prevent disease, Direct Relief is funding the construction of:

- 627 water wells
- 54 water tanks
- 719 toilets
- 122 septic tanks
- 3,970 wells are being cleaned of debris and salt water

To re-establish health services and to improve access to healthcare, Direct Relief is sponsoring the construction of:

- 49 health facilities
- 83 health posts and/or service programs

water and dangerous debris. Direct Relief is working with the Guardian Foundation and Community Trust Fund, both local, Sri Lankan organizations, to construct wells for families having lost their supply of drinking water in the tsunami. These disease-preventing water and sanitation relief projects have been focused on Sri Lanka's North and East coasts, from the Jaffna peninsula to Trincomalee District and Ampara District. Still politically volatile and underdeveloped from Sri Lanka's twenty year civil war, these areas are inherently difficult to work in, and Direct Relief has focused assistance on in-country organizations with long histories of successful work in these areas, organizations that will be active in their target areas for years to come.

Pakistan

Focus on Basic and Rehabilitative Services after Massive Quake

Six months have passed since the massive 7.6 earthquake shook northern Pakistan, devastating extensive areas of Pakistani Administered Kashmir and the North-West Frontier Province. The earthquake has left three million people homeless and 200,000 people injured, forcing them to face the Himalayan winter in temporary shelters and tents.

Direct Relief responded by furnishing over \$7.5 million in direct aid through emergency medical shipments and targeted cash grants for Pakistan relief efforts.

- **\$6.9 million (wholesale) medical resources furnished specifically requested by end user health professionals**
- **1.5 million courses of treatment of specifically requested medicines, supplies, and medical treatment to care for earthquake victims**
- **\$593,000 in cash grants to assist the rebuilding of the health infrastructure**

Direct Relief is currently supporting 20 Basic Health Units (BHU) that have replaced demolished clinics in villages throughout the earthquake zone. The BHUs are vital for women and children, the population most adversely affected by malnutrition and starvation. In addition, Direct Relief supports 12 hospitals, four mobile medical teams, and three maternal-child health facilities throughout the affected regions.

Funding was recently provided to the Murshid Charity Hospital to purchase the necessary parts to **manufacture prosthetic limbs**. Through its long association with the Pakistani Medical Association, Murshid learned that the greatest need in the upcoming relief effort would be that of rehabilitation and prostheses. Its board of directors decided to establish between two and four remote rehabilitation centers in the next three years located in Batagram and Rawalakot, in order to facilitate the rehabilitation of the earthquake affected people who live in the Northwest Frontier Province and Pakistan Administered Kashmir.



A young girl receiving a new prosthetic leg without a knee joint. The need for prosthetics and orthopedics was so overwhelming that facilities were running out of expensive parts such as knee joints. Direct Relief provided funding through Murshid Charity Hospital to replenish their prosthetics.

Those injured in the earthquake continue to live in the northern villages and cities of Pakistan; they have been left without any type of rehabilitation facility, or the means to travel to the major cities of Peshawar, Lahore, or Karachi to receive care. Murshid has completed assessments in the area around Batagram and have a list of 1,250 amputees who are unable to receive a prosthetic limb.

Direct Relief Welcomes New Board Members

Nine new members were named to Direct Relief's Board of Directors in February. Frank Blue, Jon Clark, Brandt Handley, Dr. Priscilla Higgins, Ellen Johnson, Natalie Orfalea, James Selbert, Dr. Ayesha Shaikh, and Dr. Richard Steckel joined the Board, each for a term of three years.

The Board's **philanthropic expertise** will broaden with the skills of the incoming members. In addition to his post as Executive Director of the Wendy P. McCaw Foundation, Mr. Clark is President of Storyteller Children's Center. Dr. Higgins is the President of the Higgins-Trapnell Fund at Oxford. Ms. Orfalea is the Chairperson of the Orfalea Fund and co-founder of the Orfalea Family Foundation.

The nine bring strong **business backgrounds** to the humanitarian organization. Mr. Blue maintains an active international law and arbitration practice, while serving on the Board of Directors of Murphy Oil Corporation. Mr. Handley has more than 20 years experience in senior level management, marketing, and sales with leading multinational companies. As President of Warren and Selbert, Inc., Mr. Selbert has provided analytical software to investment banks, commercial banks, and industrial firms worldwide.

Direct Relief's focus on primary care and **maternal-child health** will be sharpened under the observation of the new members. Ms. Johnson worked in measuring immune response and cardiovascular research. Born and educated in India, Dr. Shaikh has practiced obstetrics and gynecology for twenty years, and has recently taken the position of Chief of Staff at Cottage Hospital. Dr. Steckel was on the faculty at UCLA for over 30 years.



Direct Relief welcomes nine new board members, (L-R) Priscilla Higgins, Ellen Johnson, Brandt Handley, Jon Clark, Frank Blue, Ayesha Shaikh, Natalie Orfalea, James Selbert, Richard Steckel

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August 2006 to May 2007

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Upcoming dinners include:

**The Hitching Post
Winery & Restaurant**
August 20, 2006

**Santa Barbara
Boutique Wineries**
October 22, 2006

**Beckmen Vineyards &
The Four Season's Resort**
January 14, 2007

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Estate Planning: Consider Leaving a Legacy at Direct Relief

Direct Relief has steadily grown for 58 years and is now helping 23 million people throughout the world. I expect it to be effectively serving even more people for many decades after I am long gone.

I am happy to report that there are a growing number of us who have concluded that we want to support such an efficient and effective organization in a larger way. Providing for Direct Relief in our estate plans, as a residual beneficiary, after we have met the needs of our loved ones, turns out to be a great way to make a difference and leave the world a better place.

I also found that making Direct Relief the beneficiary of whatever is left in my profit sharing plan and IRA's packs a double punch. Not only does it avoid the income tax normally associated with taking funds out of a plan or IRA, it gives my estate a charitable tax deduction as well.

If you have not already done so, consider remembering Direct Relief in your will or inter vivos trust. Once you do, let us know and we will make you a member of our Legacy Society. If you decide to do something special for the organization after you die, we would like to appreciate you before that happens.

Stanley C. Hatch
Vice Chair

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