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MESSAGE FROM PRESIDENT AND CEO



It's always encouraging to reflect on the wonderful work that our partners have done over the past year. From Cyclone Idai devastating communities, to Syrians and Nigerians being internally displaced, 2019 was no stranger to emergencies. Through the midst of difficulty, children and families received the critical medicines and medical supplies that were needed thanks to generous Canadians.

A highlight of 2019 was visiting partners and health centers in Kenya including the Mully Children's Family (MCF) Medical Center in Eastern Kenya. At MCF, a children's choir magnificently sang, "Oh Canada" to honour our visit and the longstanding medical assistance provided by the Canadian pharmaceutical industry and medical teams. It sincerely touched my heart to see the difference that we are making together in communities around the world.

I'm excited to share that this year marks HPIC's 30th anniversary! The health and hope movement that started off as five pharmaceutical companies coming together to increase access to medicine and improve health in vulnerable communities has expanded to include hundreds of healthcare companies, healthcare professionals, NGO's, the Government of Canada, International Ministries of Health and everyday Canadians. We are grateful for the support of so many and invite everyone to celebrate this milestone with us.

DID YOU KNOW

HPIC is the only charity licensed by Health Canada to handle donated medicines for vulnerable communities in the developing world.

As you read this report, I want you to be proud of the part you are playing in bringing health and hope to the world's most vulnerable communities. These are just a few transformative stories out of many that were only possible because of you.

Thank you for everything that you do and for sharing our work with others, to positively impact the world around us.

With gratitude,
Marcelle McPhaden
President & CEO

HOW YOU ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE

SUPPORTING HUMANITARIAN MISSIONS

Every year, HPIC works with hundreds of Humanitarian partners who bring Humanitarian Medical Kits to treat children and families who do not have access to health care.

In 2019, 415 Humanitarian Medical Kits were brought to vulnerable communities.

Over the last 10 years, a team of health care volunteers from Ghana Rural Integrated Development (GRID) have been travelling to Northern Ghana to offer health clinics to thousands of patients who cannot afford medical care. During their travels they met Bernard. Bernard is seven-years-old and had a massive umbilical hernia.

The protrusion coming off his abdomen was so large he could not even run. His mother brought him to three hospitals, but the surgery to repair the hernia would cost her over a year's worth of wages which she would never be able to afford. Bernard stopped attending school because the other kids bullied and beat up on him because of his condition. Bernard and his mother visited the health clinic put on by GRID and after being seen by the surgical team, he had his hernia successfully repaired and the necessary medicines he needed during his recovery.



Zanele

PARTNERING WITH NGOS

In 2019, HPIC worked with Hope and Healing International to make health care affordable and accessible to people with disabilities. Thanks to the support of generous donors, HPIC provided two shipments of medicine and medical supplies to help some of the most isolated and underserved populations in the Kingdom of Eswatini. The shipments included over \$3.3 million worth of donated medicines and medical supplies, and provided treatments and medications for conditions like diabetes, asthma, hypertension, eczema and eye care.

75,245 people were impacted by this donation!

Zanele is one patient that benefited from this partnership. Zanele suffered from epiphora (excessive watering of the eye). She said, “my eye was in a bad condition, it was so painful and water would continue to pour out.” As a result, she was unable to work because she could hardly see. When she arrived at the clinic, the moisture was drained from her eye and she received the medical treatment that was needed. Zanele was overjoyed and expressed, “I can do a lot more things now that I’ve received treatment – I can make grass mats and do a lot of things with my hands. I can also see my loved ones now. I am so thankful and I feel so fortunate that people in Canada care about me. Without them, I would continue to be sick.”



Bernard

DID YOU KNOW

HPIC equips medical mission teams, stocks clinics and hospitals in developing communities.



EMERGENCIES RESPONDED TO IN 2019

Cyclone Idai

Delivered over \$4.8M worth of essential medicines and medical supplies to Mozambique, Zimbabwe and Malawi, helping 213,000 people.

Hurricane Dorian

Supported International Medical Corps's emergency medical team to Grand Bahama island to provide immediate outpatient healthcare, medicine, water, sanitation and hygiene to approximately 51,000 people.

Iraq

Provided over \$200,000 worth of donated medicines and medical supplies to reach refugees and Internally Displaced People (IDPs) in Iraqi Kurdistan.

Venezuela

Provided medications and medical consumables including antifungal, antibiotics, analgesics, anti-inflammatory to the International Federation of Red Cross and Red Crescent Societies (IFRC) and the Venezuelan Red Cross (VRC).

RESPONDING TO EMERGENCIES

In 2019, over \$8 million worth of medical aid was sent around the world to respond to emergencies. A big area of focus this year was helping refugees and Internally Displaced People (IDPs) in different regions. Throughout the year, HPIC distributed medicines to hospitals, clinics and refugee camps in Iraq, Lebanon, West Bank, Gaza and Nigeria.

Maha was displaced from her home and had to relocate to Northern Iraq and was in desperate need of medicine. Maha gave birth to a healthy baby boy and contracted a urinary tract infection. After experiencing lower abdominal pain and dysuria, Maha visited the clinic in the refugee camp. With a skid of medicines sent from Canada, she was treated with amoxicillin, ibuprofen and metronidazole. When leaving the clinic, Maha was filled with joy and said, "I am thankful for the best medications that I have ever received!"



RESTORING MOTHER AND CHILD HEALTH

In 2019, HPIC trained nurses and midwives in Ghana through *Helping Babies Survive* and *Helping Mothers Survive*, two suites of modules developed by the American Academy of Pediatrics and Jhpiego to reduce neonatal and maternal mortality in environments with limited resources. This training is part of HPIC's Obataanpa project. Training topics included neonatal resuscitation skills, essential care during a baby's first few days of life, managing hypertensive disorders during pregnancy, stopping and preventing postpartum hemorrhaging and other maternal and newborn care techniques and life-saving practices.

Betty is a midwife at the Essuowin Health Center in the Ashanti region of Ghana and is so thankful for the training she received.

"We had a situation with a woman who was suffering from postpartum hemorrhaging. It was very severe and we could not control it. We tried massaging her uterus at first, but that did not work. In training, I had been taught to use a condom tamponade for similar situations. I tried

this and the bleeding stopped. At that moment, I was so thankful to have received training that helped me to respond to a critical situation which saved this woman's life."

The original
12 master
trainers have
now successfully
trained 127
more nurses
and midwives.

HPIC has been focusing on developing local master trainers who can continue training other nurses and midwives. In order to provide a hands-on learning experience, they received donated simulators, flip charts and clinical equipment.



Asunka

DELIVERING HOPE IN REMOTE COMMUNITIES

Asunka is a young woman from a rural community in the Upper East Region of Ghana. In 2019, Asunka, along with 39 other community health volunteers, were trained on iCCM (Integrated Community Case Management) – a training that empowers community health workers to provide diagnosis and treatment for common childhood illnesses, specifically pneumonia, diarrhea and malaria for children under five. This training is part of HPIC's HOPE (Health Outreach, Prevention and Education) project, a new initiative that aims to bring basic health services closer to families living in rural and remote communities.

After the training, all community health volunteers received a bicycle and a backpack filled with supplies and basic medications. With these tools, they are able to visit households, give health advice, and provide treatments to sick children of families who would otherwise have difficulty accessing health facilities.

Asunka was very excited to receive the training, the bicycle and the supplies. She expressed, "I am committed to serve my community. I am happy when I help my community. May God bless all the people who are supporting this project. I hope that one day, my community will be free of malaria."



Master trainers and facilitators at Helping Babies Survive and Helping Mothers Survive training.

HPIC IN NUMBERS

January–December 2019

Medical Relief

\$25M

Treatments Provided

2M+

People Treated

1M+

Humanitarian Medical Kits

415

WHERE YOU ARE MAKING A DIFFERENCE

Countries shipped to in 2019

50

Armenia
Benin
Bolivia
Burkina Faso
Burundi
Cambodia
Colombia
Cuba
Dominican Republic
Democratic Republic of the Congo

Ecuador
El Salvador
Eswatini
Gambia
Ghana
Guatemala
Guyana
Haiti
Honduras
India
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Jamaica
Kenya
Laos
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Liberia
Malawi
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Mongolia

Morocco
Mozambique
Namibia
Nicaragua
Nigeria
Palestine (Gaza)
Peru
Philippines
Senegal
Somaliland
Syria
Tanzania
The Bahamas
Uganda
Ukraine
Venezuela
Vietnam
West bank
Zambia
Zimbabwe

HAITI

SHOW (Strengthening Health Outcomes for Women and Children in Haiti)

▶ Partnered with Plan International Canada and Global Affairs Canada to deliver a total of \$766,732 worth of medicines and medical supplies to 11 health facilities in Nord-Est, Haiti, allowing hundreds of vulnerable women and children to receive the health care they need.

Donor
Companies
of Medicine

43

Sea Shipments

23

Airlifts

17

20-Foot
Containers
Shipped

12

GHANA

Obataanpa Project

- ▶ Distributed backpacks filled with basic medicines and supplies for maternal and child health to equip community health nurses in their outreach activities.
- ▶ Supported the training of 139 midwives and nurses in maternal and newborn care techniques and life-saving practices.

HOPE Project

- ▶ Trained, equipped and deployed 40 community health workers to bring essential health services closer to families living in rural and remote communities in northern Ghana.

LEBANON

Partnering with Anera

- ▶ Delivered medications free of charge to local health care facilities on a regular basis ensuring the provision of health services to the most vulnerable amongst the refugee population.

NIGERIA

Supporting Sr. Daniela Gottwald Health Center

- ▶ Provided primary care kits, equipment and gynecological supplies to the health center in southwestern Nigeria, allowing the facility to offer free treatments to those who have nowhere else to turn.

KENYA

Pamoja Project

- ▶ Provided over 34,000 medical treatments to pregnant women, mothers and children in some of the poorest and remotest areas of Kenya.
- ▶ Trained community leaders and health volunteers in promoting maternal and child health in their communities.

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HPIC sent over 3,500 Izzy Dolls to vulnerable communities in 2019.

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- Knit Izzy Dolls
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