



Outreach Program

Our model for healthcare in a resource deprived area includes a well equipped, well staffed central clinic with an in-patient facility which is supplemented by a vibrant community outreach program focusing on prevention of disease as well as continued support of our clinic patients by providing timely follow-up care.

We focus our preventative efforts on community education through individual interaction, community presentations and school programs.

Aid Village Clinics:

- distributes mosquito nets with the goal of providing an insecticide treated net for all pregnant mothers, HIV/AIDS patients, and children under five. Thus far, we have distributed 6000 nets.
- provides artificial feeding as well as a product to sterilize water for all of our newborns whose mothers have gone through our PMCTC program to prevent transmission of HIV/AIDS; and we assign a community health worker to monitor the progress.
- distributes PUR, the same water purifying product, to our residents whose water supply is contaminated and unfit for human consumption.
- provides immunizations at convenient locations for children whose mothers are unable to access our clinic for this service.
- distributes nutritional support in the form of food supplements for malnourished children and adults including 2.5 tons of UNIMIX, a maize and soy cereal product, per month, as well as Plumpy Nut, a highly concentrated nutritional booster.
- has established a program in partnership with the community to distribute prefabricated latrines and instructions regarding a simple system of hand washing to promote proper disposal of human wastes and personal hygiene. As of the end of 2006, we will have distributed and helped install 90 latrines.

Our team of 16 community health workers including Clinical Officers, nurses, lab technicians and a public health technician moves out into the community daily on motorbikes to deliver products, monitor health, obtain specimens for testing at the central laboratory, count and deliver medications for HIV/AIDS and TB patients and to conduct educational programs.

Our mobile clinic is staffed with a Clinical Officer, a nurse, a lab technician, and a pharmacy technologist. Using this extension of our fixed base clinic, we are able to diagnosis, monitor and treat patients in outlying areas for whom travel to the Mbirikani Clinic is difficult. Our motor vehicles, including an ambulance, is available to transport seriously ill patients, or those who require more extensive investigation, to the central facility.

By extending our services into the communities, we are able to more intimately and personally provide medical care and disease prevention to our patients and to insure and support compliance with prescribed therapy.