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## Haiti

Impoverished rural communities

- Morne de l'Hopital
- Passe Bois.
- La Gonave

## Background

Most severe poverty in the Western Hemisphere.

Ranked 15th most corrupt country in the world.

- Life expectancy:
  - 61 years (males)
  - 66 years (females)
- Top causes of death:
  - CVD
  - Diarrhea
  - Neoplasms
  - HIV/AIDs & TB
- Infant mortality rate: 52.2 per 1,000
- 7 Hospital beds per 10,000

(2016, World Health Organization)



## Mission

**Medical**  
Specialty clinics  
400 patients/day

**Humanitarian**  
Supporting orphanages,  
local communities and  
St. Jude's Parish

**Spiritual**  
Catholic mission  
Prayer teams  
Prayer meetings

## Our Team

Family Doctors, Pediatricians,  
OB/GYNs, Dentists,  
Ophthalmologists, Dermatologists,  
Pharmacists, Nurses, Nurse  
Practitioners, Physicians Assistants,  
Medical Assistants and Students

## Skills Developed

Running a clinic with limited resources  
Learning a new culture/language  
Working as a team in hard conditions  
Providing spiritual care  
Growing in faith

## Career Connections

Building relationships with other health care providers

- Clinical experiences
- Job opportunities
- Professional connections

## Advice

- "The mission is not the mission"
- Challenge yourself
  - Great opportunity to practice new skills

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