

Global Health Administration Partners



Program Overview

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What is Global Health Administration Partners?

Global Health Administration Partners (GHAP) is a program of Global Health Ministries. Global Health Ministries (GHM) provides a gift of life, through Lutheran health care work across the world by providing project financial support, locating and shipping urgently needed medical supplies, recruiting health care personnel, and funding the training of health care givers.

What is GHAP's purpose and vision?

GHAP's purpose is to partner with faith-based health systems in developing countries to enhance administration and management practices. GHAP's vision is to build a worldwide network of health administrators dedicated to creating, supporting and maintaining sustainable faith-based health systems. Building long-term relationships with these health systems allows GHAP to enhance their ability to provide health care to their communities, reducing suffering and death.

Cover photos:

Top: GHAP has potential to expand into Central and South America.

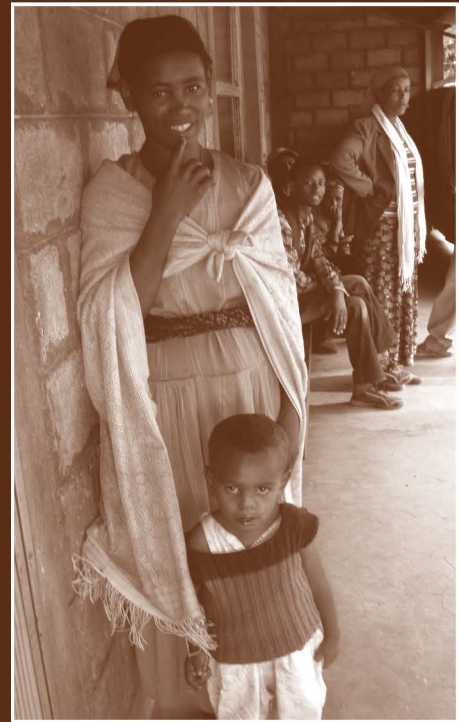
Middle: Doctors discuss treatment for Tuberculosis patient in Tanzania.

Bottom: GHAP consultants in India.

Why was GHAP formed?

Faith-based health systems provide much needed health care to medically underserved areas of the world. In many such situations, physicians, nurses and church officials are expected to perform the health administration functions—without the benefit of health administration training or supporting infrastructure. These systems often struggle financially; their chance of survival will be enhanced by implementing professional health management and leadership practices. A well-run health system increases the ability to provide excellent health care services.

Right: Successful cleft lip surgery patient (and mom) in Ethiopia.



GHAP Client Locations (November 2012)



What does GHAP provide?

GHAP assesses the current state of administration and provides recommendations for appropriate infrastructure development, tools and training for the Client health systems. Assistance is in areas such as governance, leadership and leadership development, strategic planning, operational efficiency, financial management, human resource management and materials management. GHAP intends to build long-term working relationships with each Client, recognizing that organizational change takes patience and perseverance.

Right: Patient in Ethiopia.

Below: Outpatient waiting area in Cameroon.



How does GHAP work?

GHAP works by invitation from leaders of overseas health systems and/or churches. Based on location and Client defined need, GHAP assembles a team of volunteer consultants to conduct a 5-10 day on-site assessment with follow up recommendations.

The GHAP consultants will work with the Client to create a schedule for repeat on-site work including evaluation of progress and further recommendations and training. GHAP consultants will maintain contact between on-site visits via email, phone and Skype to expand relationships, encourage leaders and answer questions. Please send an application (available at www.GHAPartners.org) to cindywilke@ghm.org or contact Cindy to get more information.

What does the Client do?

The Client is responsible for ensuring that hospital and church leaders are available during the consultation which includes kick-off meetings, interviews and wrap-up meetings. GHAP asks the Client to assist in making arrangements for room, board and local travel arrangements during the consultation. The Client is responsible for implementing the recommendations but can ask for assistance such as training and mentoring during the implementation process.



Top right: Children, women and the elderly suffer the most from health problems.

Bottom right: Health system Board members and GHAP consultants in Cameroon.

How can I help?

Please contact GHAP at cindywilke@ghm.org if you are interested in any of the following:

- 1. Prayer Sustainer.** Prayer Sustainers will receive a periodic email with prayer requests.
- 2. GHAP Consultant.** Experienced health administrators serve as volunteer GHAP consultants. GHAP consultants are sent in teams of two with a person who is familiar with the Client. On-site involvement is approximately 2 weeks per year, with ongoing communication between visits. Consultants volunteer their time to prepare for and conduct the consultation, prepare recommendations and reports, and maintain contact with the Client and GHAP. Culture-specific orientation is provided to each volunteer.
- 3. Specialist Volunteer.** GHAP is looking for volunteers to help with grant writing, marketing and general administrative tasks.
- 4. Financial Supporter.** Financial Supporters provide funds to implement specific training or recommendations, for subsidizing travel to the Client and for GHAP operations.



Bottom right: GHAP consultants in Madagascar.

How do I contact GHAP?

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