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## **Time to Make an IMPACT**



Jacob Hauptman, PA-C, President, PAGH

T's that time of year again, when thousands of AAPAs gather together at the annual meeting, and PAGH gets a chance to interact not only with our current members, but hopefully encourage other PAs and PA students to join our caucus. This year as we descend on Boston, we would love for any and all of our members to stop by one of three places to meet us and show their support!

<u>Physician Assistants for Global Health</u> <u>Annual Meeting</u> - This will take place in the Boston Convention Center in Room 154, May 25, 5:30pm -7:30pm. We will have an exciting guest lecture from Jackie Lageman Borst, PA-C, who founded the International Impact Through Medicine Foundation. We will also be completing some required business, including our goals for the 2014-2015 year.

<u>2014 AAPA House of Delegates (HOD)</u> -Since last year, PAGH has had an individual vote in the HOD. Myself and Sunshine McWhinney, PA-C will be representing PAGH this year and voting on the proposed resolutions. General AAPA members are allowed to be present during discussion of the resolutions so feel free to stop by Saturday or Sunday to meet myself and Sunny. Please see the summary of those resolutions in this edition of *Nexus* (see page 4) and let us know your opinion either prior to the conference or during the HOD itself.

<u>Exhibition Hall</u> - PAGH will have a booth at the exhibit hall which will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday. We will be signing up new members and we would love to meet current members.

Page 6 has our list of PAGH meetings and lectures of interest at the 2014 AAPA IMPACT.

We at PAGH hope to see you at IMPACT Boston and as always, thank you for your continued support of PAGH!

Sincerely, Jacob Hauptman, PA-C President, PAGH

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### Bolivia: A Life-Changing Journey

Samantha Rogers, PA-C, MMS. Professor, Wake Forest Physician Assistant Program

ook at these mountains!" If I said it once, I said it a thousand times. But when you are talking about the Andes, the observation, no matter how frequent, seems reasonable.

The PA studies department at Wake Forest Baptist Medical Center began looking for a willing faculty member to travel to Bolivia almost a year ago. The purpose of the trip would be to evaluate a clinical site and practice medicine. I had the honor and privilege to embark upon a lifechanging journey with two of my clinical year PA students in January 2014.

After approximately 4000 miles of travel and many hours in airports and airplanes, we arrived in a small town outside of Cochabamba, not knowing what we may have gotten ourselves into.

The coming days and weeks opened our eyes, our minds, and our hearts to the people of Bolivia and the care needs they experience every day.

We were confronted with all we take for granted in many parts of the United States. For example, I can safely say that the possibility of running out of sterile gauze is not something I give a thought to in my work, and yet this was an obstacle we faced in Bolivia after a terrible mass casualty incident. I will

never forget working together to clean extensive facial and scalp lacerations on a young male



patient in the hallway of the hospital. This put our innovation to the test, as what we knew to do at home quickly became unrealistic. We worked for two hours to clean this man's wounds with hydrogen peroxide, normal saline, and some gauze we managed to acquire.

We were deeply humbled by the feeble yet clear words of gratitude uttered by the patient before he went into surgery.

In addition to this very dramatic encounter, our experience was especially enriched by a clinic that the students organized and led in a rural



community in the Andes. This community was not only underserved, but likely not served by health



care professionals at all. We spent time with the children of that village, teaching them how to brush their teeth and its importance. We gave out pain meds, vitamins, and antibiotics. We provided what most health care professionals in the U.S. would deem as routine and basic care. And while our patients expressed their appreciation for the medicines etc., perhaps our time, effort, and care meant the very most. I am thankful for the

opportunity to travel to Bolivia, to meet some of its people, and for the perspective on my own life that was gained by leaving my usual comforts and life conveniences.

#### Statements from students Courtney Wharton and Sallie Gurganus:

"I enjoyed our time with Hospitals of Hope not only because it allowed us to help bring care to people who may have a more difficult time obtaining it, but because it forced me to work out of my comfort zone. As PAs, we will be met with barriers–cultural, language, social, etc. There is a tendency to view "our way" as the best simply because it is familiar.

### **Decreasing Healthcare Disparities:** The Affordable Care Act

Ismah Jawed, PA-C

ith reform underway to increase access to health care, an important question is how can the Affordable Care Act reduce health disparities? There are a number of provisions incorporated in the law aimed to narrow the gap in health care across served and underserved populations. One section of the act establishes offices of minorities of health within the Department of Health and Human Services and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. These offices create a focus and awareness on health care disparities.<sup>1</sup>

The expansion of Medicaid results in greater coverage for minority populations by covering close to forty percent of African American and Latino children.<sup>1</sup> The Harvard School of Public Health studied three states that expanded coverage for childless adults ages 20-64 and found the expansion significantly decreased mortality compared to neighboring states that opted not to expand Medicaid from 2000 to 2005. This mortality reduction was greatest among older adults, non-whites and residents of poorer counties. The members of the communities are the ones who generally had higher rates of

mortality and barriers to care.<sup>2</sup> Following this trend from 2000 to 2005, the current expansion of Medicaid is expected to further reduce disparities facing ethnic minorities and poorer communities in the next few years. The act also acknowledges how increased cultural competence among the health care workforce improves the quality of care and decreases disparities in the diverse communities. A section of the law allows for workforce diversity grants, support for cultural competence training for primary care providers and loan repayment options for individual with cultural competency experience.<sup>1</sup> In the upcoming years we hope to witness and take part in the implantation of reform to reduce healthcare disparities.

#### References

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http://www.ncsl.org/documents/health/HDandACA.pdf 2) Expanding Medicaid to low-income adults leads to improved health, fewer deaths. July 2012. Harvard School of Public Health.

http://www.hsph.harvard.edu/news/pressreleases/medicaid-expansion-lower-mortality/



Bolivia (cont.)

The more adept we become at navigating those types of encounters and establishing a *working* relations hip with our patients (rather than one in which we are the sole

#### contributors), the better." -Courtney Wharton, PA-S2 Class of 2014

"I am so grateful for the opportunity to travel to Bolivia to serve the people there and learn about international medicine. I was able to gain appreciation for the seemingly unlimited resources that we have in the States after having

to resort to cleaning severe wounds with rags and soapy water following a major trauma that left 32 individuals injured and six killed. I also developed more insight into the true needs of some of the most poverty-stricken people. This usually involved general hygiene items such as toothbrushes and clean water, triple antibiotic

creams, hydrogen peroxide, and overthe-counter meds that could be found in my medicine cabinet on any given day." -Sallie Gurganus, PA-S2 Class of 2014



### 2014 House of Delegates Resolutions IMPACT 2014 - Boston, MA

Jacob Hauptman, PA-C, President, PAGH

Below are very brief summaries of the resolutions the House of Delegates will be debating and voting on in Boston. PAGH will have a vote and we want to make sure our members have full knowledge of the upcoming resolutions so that you have time to let us know of your opinion prior to PAGH voting. Please contact PAGH by emailing us at: pasforglobalhealth@gmail.com.

**2014 A-01:** Changes the election of all Board of Directors for the AAPA (President-elect, Secretary-treasurer, Directors at Large) from being elected by AAPA members at large to being elected by the House of Delegates only.

**2014 A-02:** Changes the election of only the President-elect and the Secretary-treasurer from being elected by AAPA members at large to being elected by the House of Delegates only.

**2014-A-03:** Changes the election of only the Directors at Large for the AAPA from being elected by AAPA members at large to being elected by the House of Delegates only.

**2014-A-04:** Changes language in the bylaws regarding meetings of the House of Delegates (HOD) to allow for more flexibility when arranging both annual and special meetings of the HOD.

**2014-A-05:** Increases the ratio for Student Academy Delegates from 600 student members to 1 house of delegates representative (600:1) to 850:1. Proposed as the number of student delegates is rising quickly as more PA schools open, slightly skewing the balance of the HOD.

**2014-A-06:** Increases the ratio for the Student Academy Delegates from 600:1 to 700:1 and puts a cap of a maximum of 12 delegates on all chapters as well as the student delegates.

**2014-A-07:** States that no current AAPA Board of Directors member should hold a voting position

within recognized AAPA constituent organizations so as to avoid conflict of interest.

**2014-A-08:** Would allow AAPA Constituent Organizations (COs) to be given email addresses, practice/home mailing addresses and phone numbers from the AAPA master file to help with membership recruitment for the COs.

**2014-A-09:** Would amend current AAPA policy regarding Director of Physician Assistant Policy at the VA (Veterans Health Administration) to support solidifying the role of Director of Physician Assistant Policy as well as allocation of resources and staff for the role.

**2014-A-10:** Offers a resolution that AAPA BOD establish a membership task force to increase membership, member retention, and student membership. Currently this is done by AAPA staff.

**2014-A-11:** Offers a resolution that AAPA BOD develop a public relations program which highlights what PAs contribute to the public good.

**2014-B-1:** Offers a resolution to adopt language stating that PAs are "collaborative" medical professionals with physicians rather than medical professionals who are "supervised" by physicians.

**2014-B-2:** Offers a change to AAPA policy from defining PAs as credentialed "to practice medicine with supervision" to instead providers who are part of the health care team and function as "collaborative" medical professionals.

**2014-B-03:** Amends current policy regarding professional development to define professional development as also including "personal reflection" to more closely align with new NCCPA certification maintenance requirements for self-assessment.

**2014-B-04:** Adds language to current policy that will encourage approved PA programs to offer Category 1 CME credit to eligible PAs who precept PA students.

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**2014-B-05:** Removes "to include cyberbulling" from the introductory sentence of AAPA policy regarding Media Violence and places a more inclusive "use of social media" in recommended parental involvement.

**2014-B-06:** Amends current policy regarding the time-limitation of NCCPA certification to include the new 10 year re-certification cycle for NCCPA certification.

**2014-B-07:** Resolves to allow PAs who passed the PANCE prior to 1990 to be "grandfathered" in as automatically NCCPA certified.

**2014-C-01:** Amends by substitution current AAPA policy regarding handgun control legislation to now encompass all firearms and include all policies and educational programs which will reduce violence that could potentially come through the use of firearms.

**2014-C-02:** Resolves that the "AAPA believes all existing gun laws be strictly enforced".

**2014-C-03:** Offers a resolution that AAPA supports all background checks for transfer of firearms except for transfers between first degree relatives.

**2014-C-04:** Proposes that AAPA believes in criminal and civil penalties should be applied to those who transfer possession of firearms to those who are prohibited from possessing it.

**2014-C-05:** Proposes that "AAPA believes that gun owners should be subject to criminal and civil penalties if their improperly secured firearms are the cause of an injury or used in a crime"

**2014-C-06:** Resolves that AAPA believes that civilians should be limited in their ownership of rapid firing weapons.

**2014-C-07:** Amends AAPA policy to recommend the development of Observation Units in emergency departments to improve patient care overall.

**2014-C-08:** Amends by substitution four current AAPA policies regarding healthy lifestyle choices and obesity in order to compile their salient concepts into a single policy.

**2014-C-09:** Proposes that the AAPA develop a educational pamphlet regarding healthy meal planning which can be downloaded from AAPA website to be given to patients and will include the AAPA logo with a description regarding PAs in healthcare.

**2014-C-10:** Amends by addition the current position paper, Guidelines for the Physician Assistant Serving As an Expert Witness to include an executive summary and an updated reading list.

**2014-C-11:** Amends position paper on Direct to Consumer Advertising by pharmaceutical companies, updating information regarding methods of advertising through social media and the globalization of marketing allowing companies to side-step country-specific regulations.

### Announcements

### PAGH at IMPACT 2014 - Boston, MA

#### **PAGH Annual Meeting**

Sunday, May 25th, 5:30pm-7:30pm Room 154 Boston Convention and Exhibition Center

#### **2014** House of Delegates

Saturday, May 24th through Monday, May 27th Grand Ballroom Westin Boston Waterfront

#### 2014 Exhibit Hall

9am - 5pm, Tuesday May 27th and 9am - 2:30pm, Wednesday, May 28th PAGH will be at Booth Con1 Exhibit Hall A Boston Convention and Exhibition Center

#### **Global Health Related Lectures**

Saturday, May 24th - Responding to Inflight Emergencies - International Travel Recommendations - PAs' Clinical Contributions to Global Health: Historical Examples and Role Models - Travel Fevers - PAs and Medical Mission Experience: Making a Difference in the World

> <u>Sunday, May 25th</u> Infectious Diarrhea: A Problem-Based Approach

> > Tuesday May 27th What Is This Rash?

### Announcements

#### Welcome To Our New and Returning Fellow Members!

Eric Fly, Elizabeth Johnston, Rachael Cunnick, Jeremy Loving, Victoria Moore, Anna Gardner, Metasebia Bekele.

#### Welcome To Our New and Returning Student Members!

Anthony Ngo, Judy Johnston, Clare Gutswiller, Andrea Mora, Kathleen Galligan, Erin West, Joseph Adams, Paul Gonzales, Liliana Broad, Soonmee Bang, Krist Gauthier, Andrea Kuchler, Amy Correll, Heather Beebe, Chelsea Saylor, William Adamy.

#### PA INVEST 2014

October 30 - November 1, 2014. Amsterdam.

www.pa-invest.nl/en/Amsterdam\_20\_291.html To celebrate their 10th anniversary the Dutch Association of Physician Assistants (NAPA) is inviting physician assistants and PA educators from around the world to participate in the international congress.

#### **PAEA 2009 Survey on International Rotations**

www.paeaonline.org/index.php?ht=a/GetDocumentAction/i/143996

#### **Volunteer Opportunities in Nepal**

Hospital and Rehabilitation Centre for Disabled Children, a non-profit in Nepal, invites volunteers come for 4 weeks, and allow 2 weeks of travel time to enjoy the region.
\$200/week donation to HRDC + \$200/week for food/lodging <u>www.hrdcnepal.org</u> or email <u>adminhrdc@ntc.net.np</u>

B. P. Koirala Memorial Cancer Hospital is looking for PAs to be exposed to Pediatric Oncology <u>www.bpkmch.org.np</u> or contact Earle Canfield at <u>jecan314@gmail.com</u> ANSWER (American-Nepali Student and Women's Educational Relief) <u>www.answernepal.org</u> or email <u>jecan314@gmail.com</u>



### Announcements

#### Internship: iSoy Capaz! Educational Programs of Amazon Promise

Amazon Promise is a U.S. based, non-profit organization whose mission is to give essential medical care and provide education to alleviate suffering, save lives, and inspire hope in the poverty-stricken remote and urban communities of the Loreto province in the Peruvian Upper Amazon region. Since 1993, Amazon Promise has been organizing four to six medical interventions per year, each staffed by educators and medical and non-medical volunteers. The organization is headquartered in the jungle city of Iquitos, while its strategies are developed by the core Members in the United States. Through Amazon Promise, over 120,000 inhabitants of the most underserved parts of Peru have received education and medical care, and over 800 professionals have volunteered their time.

**iSoy Capaz!** is the educational program of Amazon Promise that specializes in the prevention of transmittable infections, HIV in particular, and of other common diseases, such as diarrhea (with focus on personal hygiene and water treatment). Furthermore, we address domestic violence, alcoholism, and women's and reproductive rights. A new addition to our program is focus on the synergies between health-protection and environmental-protection behaviors.

**iSoy Capaz!** is seeking an intern for strategic support of the program's operations, namely fundraising, grant writing and media outreach. The intern will work for the minimum of 20 hours/week for approximately 9 months, starting in fall 2013. Specific duties include:

• **Fundraising:** iSoy Capaz! relies solely on private contributions. We need funding for the existing educational and training activities, and in order to include new educational topics that have surged from our ongoing dialogue with the local communities. We also intend to broaden our social services for patients from the jungle areas. The intern will thus provide support to the program's *fundraising operations* through grant and other prospect research, grant writing, and drafting of donor correspondence.

• **Media Outreach and Communications:** The intern will develop and maintain the program's *media presence* by drafting press releases, by regularly featuring the program in social media (including Facebook, Twitter, YouTube, blog, etc.), and by working with alumni and friends to draft and place articles and commentaries in publications.

The intern will be asked to demonstrate the results of his/her funding research, produce large quantities of written text, and maintain the program's media presence on a weekly basis. All work will be conducted in close collaboration with Director of Educational Programs, Dr. Elena Deem, who will manage the intern, and under general supervision of the President of the organization.

While Amazon Promise is unable to offer compensation, *the intern will be invited to participate in one medical expedition in Peru.* Amazon Promise will waive **50%** of the trip fee, and **100%** provided the intern is fluent in Spanish (note: all travel expenses, e.g.; airfare to Peru/Iquitos, hotels and meals while in Iquitos will be the responsibility of the intern).

To be considered, send a cover letter, resume, writing sample, and two letters of recommendation to *elena@amazonpromise.org*. No phone calls or inquiries, please. We cannot respond to every applicant, but you will hear from us if you are selected for an interview. For more information about Amazon Promise, visit the Web site at <u>www.amazonpromise.org</u>

Amazon Promise has been recognized for its long-term commitment and effectiveness to improving health in Peru. In March 2010, Amazon Promise President Patty Webster was named a *CNN Hero* (*www.cnn.com/heroes*) for her life-long dedication to providing desperately needed medical care and health education to vulnerable populations in Peru. The organization has been featured in the *Huffington Post*, the*Detroit News*, and *VIV Magazine*; promoted by the Portland Area Global AIDS Coalition; and past volunteers have received awards for their work with Amazon Promise, including the D. Robert McCaffree, MD, Master FCCP Humanitarian Award.



### Careers

### **Orthopaedics Physician Assistant, Scotland**

Ortho PA needed in the NHS Hairmyres Hospital inEast Kilbride, Scotland (30 min from Glasgow). For more information, send CV to *gregoribub@aol.com* 

#### **Peacework Medical Projects**

is looking for a provider to staff their Ranquitte, Haiti, medical clinic full-time alongside the permanent Haitian RN who works there. ANY DATES & ANY LENGTH OF TIME per their description! Please go to their website *www.peaceworkmedical.com* for more information and click the link "New Clinic Help!".

#### **Clinical Associate Mentor, South Africa**

American International Health Alliance, a government-funded non-profit that works in global health primarily in Sub-Saharan Africa, is actively recruiting Clinical
 Associates Mentors to serve in a 3-12 month placements in South Africa. Launched in 2008 by the South African Department of Health, Clinical Associates are similar to Physician Assistants and are dramatically increasing the number of mid-level medical professionals in the health workforce who are able to confront the country's immediate health needs.

The Volunteer Healthcare Corps began a South African Clinical Association Mentorship Program, providing US professionals (primarily physician assistants) with the opportunity to serve as mentors and clinical trainers of the students while they are in the district hospitals, often located in rural areas. This is an unique opportunity for highly skilled health professionals to directly apply their skills and expertise in a place that desperately needs it.

www.twinningagainstaids.org/documents/SouthAfricaCountrySnapshot07-09-12.pdf Please contact Sara Adelman for more information about this post: sadelman@aiha.com

#### **PA Editors wanted**

PAEA's scholarly publication, *The Journal of Physician Assistant Education* (JPAE), is seeking editors for four features: Cultural Perspectives, Global Perspectives, Medical Director Dialogue, and Technology and Education. For more information, visit: http://networker.paeaonline.org/ 2013/07/17/jpae-invites-applications-for-fourfeature-editors.

#### **U.S. Department of State**

Foreign Service Health Practitioners. Currently, application period is closed, but sign up for email alerts. <u>http://careers.state.gov/specialist/vacancy-announcements/</u> <u>hp?source=govdelivery&utm\_medium=email&utm\_source=govdelivery</u>

### **Medical Service Trips**

#### **Project CURE**

*www.projectcure.org* Guelaceo, Ecuador: May 8-18, 2014

#### Health Horizon International

*www.hhidr.org* Dominican Republic: May 3rd - May 10th, 2014

#### **Peacework Medical Projects**

www.peaceworkmedical.com Ranquitte, Haiti: September 2014 (12 days). Non-medical positions also available (rebuilding, security, interpreters, and more).

#### **Flying Samaritans**

www.flyingsamaritans.net Frequent trips originating from California and Arizona to clinics throughout Baja California, Mexico

#### Holy Rosary International Medical Mission

*www.hrimm.org* Lima, Peru: July 5 – 19, 2014.

#### **International Medical Relief**

www.internationalmedicalrelief.org Ethiopia: May 24-31, 2014 India: June 7-15, 2014 Nicaragua: June 28 – July 5, 2014 Brazil: July 19-27, 2014 Kenya: August 1-10, 2014 Thailand Gulf: Sept 20-28, 2014 Myanmar: Oct 4-12, 2014 Uganda: Oct 25 – Nov 1, 2014 Indonesia: Nov 22-30, 2014 Haiti: Dec 27, 2014 – Jan 3, 2015

#### **Project Amazon**

www.projectamazon.org Santarem: May 30 - June 8, 2014 Contact: pazguesthouse@gmail.com

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### **Volunteer Organizations**

If you are aware of any trips or organizations that are looking for **PA volunteers**, please contact Olivia at *obockoff@gmail.com*. Please Note: it is not our desire to promote specific organizations only to connect PAs with opportunities and encourage professional philanthropy. This information is not an endorsement of these organizations.

**Africa Cancer Care Inc** - International opportunities with an oncology focus. *www.africacancercareinc.org* 

Amazon Promise - Medical trips to portions of the Amazon Basin. www.amazonpromise.org

Benjamin Wellness Center - Opportunities in Gatamaiyu, Kenya. www.benjaminwellness.org

Christian Medical and Dental Assistance - www.cmda.org

**Community Coalition For Haiti -** need for medical professionals for 1-2 week trips to staff a primary clinic in Jacmel, Haiti. *www.cchaiti.org* 

**Exploration Logistics** - Places PAs worldwide to serve as medical support for various expeditions. Positions include oil rigs and other industrial projects, etc. *www.elgfze.com* 

**FIMRC Global Health Volunteer Program -** Opportunities in El Salvador, Nicaragua, Peru, Costa Rica, India, and Uganda. *www.fimrc.org* 

**Flying Doctors of America** provides medical assistance and hope to as many of the poor and needy as they are able to reach. Medical & dental teams to wherever the current need is. *www.fdoamerica.org* 

Flying Samaritans Mexico - year-round for Baja California, Mexico. www.flyingsamaritans.net

Global Brigades - www.globalbrigades.org

Goabroad.com - Assists different professions with placement internationally. www.goabroad.com

Grounds for Health - Uses PAs in Africa, Mexico, Peru, Nicaragua. www. groundsforhealth.org

Health Horizon International - www.hhidr.org

Heal the Children - Ecuador, Haiti. Contact: jensorooni@gmail.com. www.healthechildren.us

Heart to Heart International - weekly trips to Hait and Guatemala. www.hearttoheart.org

Holy Rosary International Medical Mission - www.hrimm.org

Hospitals of Hope - Bolivia, Haiti, and Liberia. www.hospitalsofhope.org

ICHA Outreach to fight Cardiovascular Disease - Ghana. www.ichaonline.org

**International Medical Relief** :Currently recruiting for a trip to Pakistan. Also trips to Asia, Africa, South & Central America, Eastern Europe. *www.internationalmedicalrelief.org* 

### **Volunteer Organizations**

Kenya Relief - www.kenyarelief.org

**Lalmba -** Lake Victoria in Kenya and in a rain-forest in Ethiopia. Goals are clinical medicine, coupled with public health, and working with local physicians. *www.lalmba.org* 

Many Hands For Haiti - www.mh4h.org

Medical Missions Response - North Africa, Middle East, South/East Asia. www.mmronline.org

Mercy Ships - volunteer opportunities aboard "hospital ships". www.mercyships.org

Mountain Medics International - Cordillera Huayhuash, Peru. www.mountainmedics.org

Nunoa Project - two trips a year to Peru. www.nunoaproject.org

NYC Medics - deployment to disaster zones and humanitarian emergencies. www.nycmedics.org

Omni Med - work focused in Uganda. www.omnimed.org

Operation Smiles: providing surgeries around the world. www.operationsmile.org

Palmetto Medical Initiative - www.palmettomedical.org

Panama Global Connections - www.panamaglobalconnections.com

Peacework Medical Projects - www.peaceworkmedical.com

Physicians for Peace - work in Central/South America, Africa, Asia. www.physiciansforpeace.org

Project HOPE - land-based and ship-based care to regions around the world. www.projecthope.org

Rotations and Courses Internationally - www.gorgas.dom.uab.edu and www.cugh.org

**The Carolina Honduras Health Foundation -** Limón, Honduras. Active clinic, frequent need for medical volunteers. *www.carolinahonduras.org* 

The Damien House - Leprosy in Guayaquil, Ecuador - http://thedamienhouse.org/aboutus.html

Timmy Global Health - looking for volunteers year-round. www.timmyglobalhealth.org

US Doctors For Africa - utilizes PAs for Africa work. www.usdfa.org

Volunteer Kenya / ICODEI - accepting PA volunteers year-round - www.volunteerkenya.org

WellShare International - www.wellshareinternational.org

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