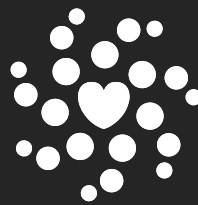




2024 ANNUAL REPORT



INTERNATIONAL
CARDIAC
ALLIANCE

A LETTER FROM OUR CO-FOUNDERS

Dear friends,

For over a decade, our team and our many partners have worked together to develop and refine a model that focuses on flexibility, resiliency, and continued impact in the face of adversity. Particularly in Haiti, this model was tested in 2024 like never before – and we're proud to say that it continues to prove its value, enabling our team to help save the lives of over 50 young Haitians with life-threatening heart disease at a time when so many organizations and services in Haiti have stopped functioning.

We are now in our third full year of adapting our proven approach to address the unique needs of the country of Bolivia, and in 2024 we made important strides toward building a truly national network for cardiac care – including by launching screening campaigns to regions throughout Bolivia whose children have historically had little access to the cardiac care they need. Thanks to our strong partnership with Gift of Life International and a talented and hard-working Bolivian pediatric cardiac care team, more children underwent life-saving heart surgery in Bolivia's public sector in 2024 than ever before in the country's history.

As we write this, we are in the process of launching a brand-new country program in Zambia that will build upon our positive momentum and the lessons we've learned in Haiti and Bolivia, while constantly refining and adapting our approach to serve Zambian children and young adults as impactfully as possible. We thank you for coming with us on this journey through the years, and we are excited to share our progress with you as we continue working in solidarity with patients and families, health care providers, and like-minded organizations and foundations to increase access to high-quality cardiac care throughout the world.



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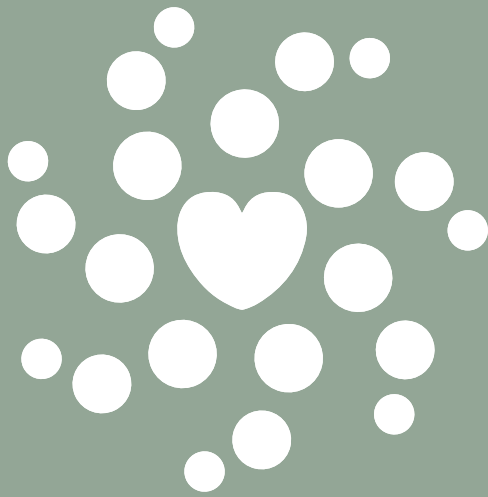


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INTERNATIONAL CARDIAC ALLIANCE IN 2024 BY THE NUMBERS

52 Haitian children and young adults underwent heart surgeries and catheterizations

8 International partner hospitals received Haitian patients for care

231 Haitian patients underwent cardiac exams in Port-au-Prince

313 Haitian children and young adults ended the year on the waitlist for surgery

109 Bolivian children accessed cardiac surgery and catheterization

115 Bolivian children were examined and diagnosed during three outreach screening trips to other parts of the country

108 Bolivian children ended the year waitlisted for surgery

* as of December 31st, 2024





RACING AGAINST TIME

ARLY'S STORY

Two-year-old Arly was born with a very severe heart defect that caused his blood oxygen to plummet to as low as 20% of normal levels. In a country with full cardiac care, he would have had a stabilizing surgery within days of birth; in Haiti, he amazingly survived for two years without surgery thanks to his father's tireless efforts to care for him and to bring him to clinics for emergency oxygen whenever he needed it.



When we first learned of Arly's case, we knew the odds against him were overwhelming – he might have only days to live; had no passport or visa; was too sick to fly out of Haiti commercially; and was stuck in rural Haiti, blocked by gangs from even reaching Port-au-Prince for a proper echocardiogram to confirm his diagnosis.

What happened next shows how the power of partnership brought dozens of people together to save Arly's life. Our partner clinic organized a risky overland journey for Arly and his father to reach Port-au-Prince, where our colleague, Haitian cardiologist Dr. Brisma, obtained the medical information we needed to get him accepted for surgery in Dominican Republic. The governments of three different countries – Haiti, the United States, and Dominican Republic – worked together to fast-track passports and visas for Arly and his father in record time. A new partner of ours, HERO Client Rescue, donated emergency medical helicopter transport from Port-au-Prince to Santo Domingo, where he was immediately admitted to the hospital and stabilized, and underwent successful surgery days later.

Arly is now back home in Haiti where he energetically runs and plays. His father says, "you can't imagine how happy it makes me to see my only son happy and eating well, after two years of being afraid for his life. Our family will pray that other children with the same problem can be helped like Arly was."

BUILDING NATIONAL MOMENTUM

A YEAR OF PROGRESS IN BOLIVIA

When ICA first started working in Bolivia in 2022, the cardiac surgery program at the children's hospital in La Paz was already well underway thanks to a partnership between Gift of Life International (GOLI) and the local team of Bolivian doctors and nurses. What was missing, however, was the ability for the program to truly serve the entire country of Bolivia: only a small fraction of surgical patients lived more than an hour or two from the hospital, and entire regions of Bolivia had no realistic way to get their children with congenital heart disease (CHD) diagnosed and treated in La Paz.



In the three years since, with the tireless efforts of our Bolivia Program Manager, Karla Patzi Cayoja, ICA has worked steadily to change that reality. We have performed multi-day outreach clinics to five different Bolivian regions, examining hundreds of children, connecting many of them with surgery in La Paz, and setting up ongoing referral networks so that doctors from those areas can more easily connect their patients with the surgeries they need. The surgical program, which in 2022 drew only 15% of patients from outside metro La Paz, now serves nearly 50% of patients who come from other parts of Bolivia.

In addition to our clinical outreach, we have provided essential support for families traveling long distances for their children to have surgery in La Paz: we sponsor plane tickets for those traveling from farthest away; bus tickets or ambulance transfer for those who live somewhat closer; and lodging and meals in La Paz when needed so that each family can focus on their child's care. Given Bolivia's immense and mountainous geography, it will take us several more years before a full national detection and referral system is in place; but, working in strong partnership with our Bolivian colleagues and with GOLI, we are steadily turning this dream into a reality.



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2024 FINANCIAL SUMMARY

BALANCE SHEET (June 30th 2024)

Cash & Cash Equivalents.....	\$261,480
Fixed Assets.....	\$11,032
Total Receivables	\$100,000
Total Liabilities.....	\$13,668
Net Assets	\$358,844

OPERATING STATEMENT

(July 1st 2023 to June 30th 2024)

Total Operating Revenue..... \$774,657

Operating Expenses

Surgical Matching, Travel, and Social Support ..	\$326,575
Kay Mackenson Clinic (partner program)	\$216,840
Patient Care Expenses	\$337,682
Direct Surgical Financing.....	\$171,503
Bolivia Program	\$103,374
Diagnosis, Screening, and Follow-Up	\$60,050
Program Subtotal.....	\$724,307

Administration/Office.....	\$65,001
Fundraising.....	\$18,247

Administrative/Fundraising Subtotal..... \$83,248

Administrative Percentage (Overhead) 10.3%

Total Operating Revenue* \$981,908

Total Operating Expense \$807,555

Net Surplus \$ 174,353

* None of ICA's revenue is derived from US government or other public-sector sources.



OUR TEAM



Dr. Daphnee Alce
Dominican Republic
Patient Coordinator



Wisguerre Desorme*
Lead Social Worker



Wilgens Lebrun*
Logistics Assistant



Benissoit Gue
Senior Advisor



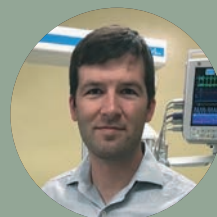
Dr. Samantha Lacossade
Lead Clinical Coordinator



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* Wisguerre and Wilgens both underwent open-heart surgery with HCA before joining our team

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