Scenario for mission trips
Scenario - medical surplus
Guiding Principles – A Modern Day Parable
Scenario - disaster
Putting Today in Context

International Outreach

CHA's international outreach activities support members, partnering organizations, and the church in our global mission of healing.

CHA'S INTERNATIONAL OUTREACH ACTIVITIES INCLUDE:

Consultation
- CHA staff provides information and insights to start or improve international outreach strategies

Research
- CHA conducts timely research on topics including:
  - Medical surplus recovery
  - Disaster response
  - Short-term medical mission trips
  - CHA best practices

Education
- CHA provides guidance on:
  - Medical surplus recovery
  - Disaster response
  - Short-term medical mission trips
  - CHA best practices

Collaboration
- CHA partners with:
  - Catholic Relief Services
  - Catholic Charities USA
  - Catholic Medical Mission Board

Networking
- CHA hosts quarterly networking calls to connect to members and update them on timely topics

To learn more about CHA's International Outreach activities, contact:

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To see the full breadth of CHA's International Outreach activities and resources, go to www.chausa.org/international

Foundational Resources

Guiding Principles for Conducting International Health Activities
This resource offers an introduction to conducting international health activities as well as a modern-day perspective.

A Reflective Guide for International Health Activities
This resource provides guidance, articles, steps, practices, and more to help individuals and groups reflect on their experience of international health activities.

The Case for International Outreach
This video makes the case for advocating and supporting international outreach activities.

Called to Serve: Guided by Tradition
This video highlights the call to participate in the ministry of Catholic health care and, ultimately, international outreach.

"The Heart Which Sees"—On Being Neighbor
This video explores the biblical story of the Good Samaritan through a theological reflection that relates to today's realities, particularly international outreach.

Medical Mission Trip Resources

Short-Term Medical Mission Trips: Recommendations for Practice
This CHA resource shares 28 recommendations for practice and provides guidance for conducting short-term medical mission trips to emerging international mission trips.

Short-Term Medical Mission Trips Survey Results
This book contains the detailed questions by question survey results from Phase I of the CCHC’s 2014-2015 research project on short-term medical mission trips.

Short-Term Medical Mission Orientation
CHA has developed an orientation program with four modules for use by those who lead and participate in short-term international mission trips.

Additional Resources and Activities

Disaster Response: Considerations for Catholic Health Care
Created in collaboration with Catholic Relief Services and Catholic Charities USA, this tool offers considerations for responding to domestic or international disasters.

Further Resources
This extensive list includes other resources and expert video responses for each.

Global Summit
CHA Global Summit is an annual meeting that brings together mission leaders, NGOs, CHA members, and other leaders to share insights and best practices.

Regional Meetings
CHA has also regional meetings annually to collectively convene Catholic health leaders, Catholic university faculty, and staff of international programs, discuss NGOs, and others for information and practice sharing.

Medical Surplus Recovery Resources

CHA Medical Surplus Donation Study: How Effective is Surplus Donation to Relieve Human Suffering
This report presents findings from a study of medical surplus donations.

First Do No Harm—Assessing and Selecting High-Quality Medical Surplus Recovery Organizations
Includes an electronic content dashboard.

Medical Surplus Recovery Workshop:
First Do No Harm
This video highlights the case for appropriate donations.

Medical Surplus Recovery:
First Do No Harm
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Additional Resources and Activities

Responsible Redistribution of Medical Supplies & Equipment: Leading Practitioners for Hospital & Health Systems
This resource shares best practices for effectively using donated medical supplies and equipment.

All of these resources and more are available at: CHAUSA.ORG/INTERNATIONAL

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