DOMINICAN REPUBLIC MISSION REPORT
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HOSPITAL INFANTIL DR. ROBERT REID CABRAL
SANTO DOMINGO, THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC

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21 Children Treated
HEART HEALERS IN ACTION
Healing 98 Little Dominican Hearts

The November mission trip was the fourth to the Dominican Republic in 2017 and was part of a Rotary Centennial project with a goal of healing 100 Dominican hearts. A total of 98 children were treated in 2017 with 2 more training missions planned for 2018. Gift of Life International has partnered with The International Children’s Heart Foundation (ICHF), Hospital Infantil Dr. Robert Reid Cabral (HIRRC), Fundacion Latiendo Por Ti, and the many Rotary Clubs and Districts and Gift of Life programs who have contributed to this Rotary Global Grant which will ultimately exceed its goal of providing hope to 100 children.

The ICHF visiting team, led by Dr. Rodrigo Soto included a surgical team, an interventional catheterization team and a post-operative care team. Skills transfer between the visiting team and the team at HIRRC continued based on the evaluation following the August mission trip.

A total of 21 children were treated during this two-week mission trip. Fourteen children had their hearts healed through open-heart surgery, 3 children received interventional catheterization procedures, 5 children received diagnostic catheterizations and one newborn received medical intervention for cardioversion of SVT.

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THANK YOU TO THE ICHF VISITING TEAM

DR. RODRIGO SOTO
Cardiac Surgeon

DR. JENNIFER RUTLEDGE
Interventional Cardiologist

DR. DANIEL GARROS
DR. GRACE BICHARA
DR. MARIA JOSE SOTO
Intensivists

DR. JOHN HAGEN
DR. HELEN HOLTBY
Anesthesiologists

KRYS T A GLEESON
Perfusionist

DAVID PURVIN
Respiratory Therapist

SARA SMITH
OR Nurse

RANDA BLENDEN
PICU Nurse Educator

SALVADOR TAFOYA
CRNA

EVA MURRAY
CHIARA CUSCIANNA
ANDREA HIEBERT
MARY ANN LO
GISELA PONCE
ICU Nurses

ROY MORRIS
Biomed

BENJAMIN KRAMER
BENJAMIN ALOUIDOR
Students

GERTRUDIS PARODY
DANIEL PECK
Residents
Thank you to the Hospital Infantil
Dr. Robert Reid Cabral Team

**Pediatric Cardiac Surgeons:** Dr. Miguel Guerrero, Dr. Damaris Fernandez

**Intensivists:** Dr. Elizabeth Mejia, Dr. Jannina Rivas

**Anesthesiologists:** Dr. Yokasta Arias

**Anesthesia Residents:** Dr. Ilonka Agramonte, Dr. Marianela Lopez

**Perfusionists:** Ana Santana, Karla Feliz

**Cardiologists:** Dr. Ana Castillo, Dr. Maritza Lopez, Dr. Cesarina Juliao, Dr. Cristina Garcia, Dr. Gustavo Lazala, Dr. Wilma Perez, Dr. Rebeca Perez, Dr. Adabeyda Baez, Dr. Angelica Grullon, Dr. Jady Luz Acosta, Dr. Rosa Elena Moreta, Dr. Robert Sober

**OR Nurses:** Yury Rodriguez Garcia, Olga Benjamin, Yanneris Cabrera

**Head of OR Nursing:** Lucia Ramirez Ferreras

**Head of Nursing:** Patricia Baez

**Cardiology Nurses:** Dominga de Paula, Milagros Lorenzo, Cristina Gaston, Luz Cuevas, Juana Marinez, Katerin Garcia, Dilcia Reyes, Yeiisa Perez, Nieves Moreta, Dorca Batista, Nancy Martinez

**Head of ICU:** Leonor Nieves Carvajal

**ICU Nurses:** Santa Mateo, Pilar Arias, Wendy Cabral, Maritza Constanza, Roselina Ferrer, Francisca Puello

**Cath Lab Technician:** Gladys Diaz

**Cath Lab Nurse:** Maria Elena Delgado

**ECG Technicians:** Celania Casado

**Secretary:** Maria Estela Ramirez
THANK YOU FROM
JOHANSEL
9 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: VSD
Ventricular Septal Defect
(Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM
FRANCISCA
12 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: TOF
Tetralogy of Fallot
(Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM
ASHLEY
10 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: VSD
Ventricular Septal Defect
(Surgery)
THANK YOU FROM YAJAIRA
7 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect
(Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM FERNANDO
5 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: TOF
Tetralogy of Fallot
(Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM SATURINA
10 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect
(Surgery)
THANK YOU FROM LIZ
18 MONTHS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: TOF
Severe Tetralogy of Fallot
(Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM AUGUSTINA
6 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ASD
Atrial Septal Defect
(Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM SINDY
10 MONTHS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: Supracardiac TAPVD, Restrictive ASD
(Surgery)
THANK YOU FROM KEURY
1 YEAR OLD
DIAGNOSIS: VSD
Ventricular Septal Defect
(Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM ESTER
9 MONTHS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: PDA
Patent Ductus Arteriosus
(Surgery & Diagnostic Cath)

THANK YOU FROM MAURIS
3 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: ALCAPA
(Surgery)
THANK YOU FROM DARLENYS
1 YEAR OLD DIAGNOSIS: VSD Ventricular Septal Defect (Surgery)

THANK YOU FROM KARELYN
2 YEARS OLD DIAGNOSIS: Double Committed VSD (Surgery & Diagnostic Cath)

THANK YOU FROM ARLENYS
3 YEARS OLD DIAGNOSIS: Pulmonary Valve Stenosis (Interventional Cath)
THANK YOU FROM GILBERT
2 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: PDA
Patent Ductus Arteriosus
(Interventional Cath)

THANK YOU FROM YEURY
3 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS:
Pulmonary Valve Stenosis
(Interventional)

THANK YOU FROM LEONARDO
4 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: Tricuspid Atresia, PS and VSD
(Diagnostic Cath)

THANK YOU FROM DAREILEISY
11 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: Pulmonary Atresia, VSD and MAPCA's
(Diagnostic Cath)

THANK YOU FROM SHIRLEY
14 YEARS OLD
DIAGNOSIS: PDA Patent Ductus Arteriosus
(Diagnostic Cath)

THANK YOU FROM ERICK
NEWBORN
Received medical intervention for cardioversion of SVT
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