

## CPFI Mission Committee Report May 29, 2024

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Praise the Lord short-term medical mission brigades through Global Health Outreach (GHO) continue.

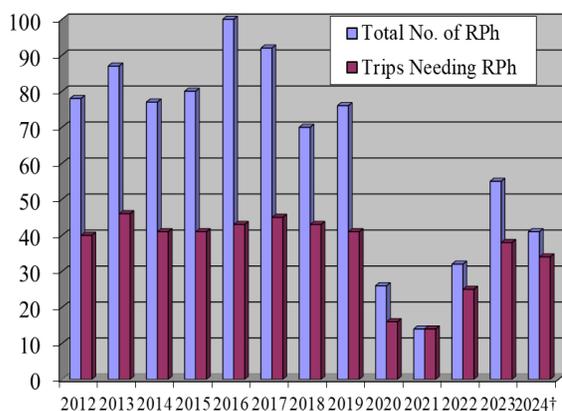
- This past year 40 pharmacists and 15 pharmacy students participated in 34 trips that needed pharmacy coverage. There were 4 trips that went out without a pharmacist. This year so far in the first 4 months, 9 GHO teams have completed their outreach. One was a surgical team that did not require a pharmacist, 1 went without a pharmacist, 5 had one pharmacist, 1 team had 2 pharmacists and 1 had a pharmacist and a P4 pharmacy student.
- There are 13 teams going out in the next 3 months. Four of those trips have 2 or more pharmacists/students, 5 of them have 1 pharmacist and could use at least 1 more. Two trips have no pharmacists yet and could still use 2 or more and there were 2 surgical trips that do not require pharmacy services. These teams have 17 pharmacists and 2 pharmacy students.
- The remaining 16 teams scheduled this year have several openings. There are 6 pharmacists and 7 pharmacy students signed up. Two trips have two or more and are full, while two have 1 pharmacist and could use at least 1 more. One trip is a surgical trip and does not need pharmacy services and there are 11 that could use 2 or more pharmacists/students.

Thanks to the CPFI members who have participated this year: We look forward to pharmacists, student pharmacists, and other servants serving in the year to come.

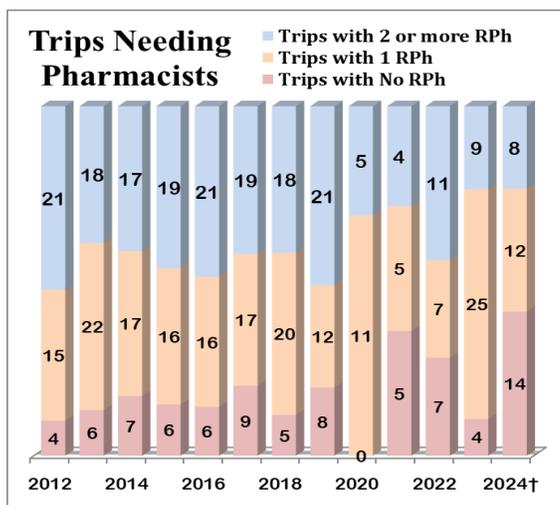
	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024 <sup>†</sup>
Total No. of RPh	100	92	70	76	26	14	32	55	41
Trips Needing RPh	43	45	43	41	16	14	25	38	34
Trips with No RPh	6	9	5	8	0	5	7	4	14
Trips with 1 RPh	16	17	20	12	11	5	7	20	12
Trips with 2 or more RPh	21	19	18	21	5	4	11	8	8
Total Trips	47	48	46	46	16	14	28	34	36

<sup>†</sup> The numbers for 2024 reflect information through April 15<sup>th</sup>.

**Pharmacist Participation on GHO Trips**



**Trips Needing Pharmacists**





## **Outreach resources:**

The *Pharmacist Handbook for Short Term Mission Projects*, the *Best Practices* paper, prescription labels for copying, *Guidelines for Labeling*, a sample formulary, and *Acquisition of Medication for Short Term Medical Mission Trips* are all available on the CPFIF website.

Some people after reading our website page that lists our beliefs might want to know more about how they can have a relationship with God. As a result, there is a link to a page that helps seekers have their questions answered, and then tries to help them come to Christ ([www.everystudent.com](http://www.everystudent.com)).

## **Equipping pharmacists for outreach:**

How often do you prescribe specific and appropriate doses of grace that may bring your patients a step closer to a right relationship with God? Many of us in healthcare struggle with guilt and inadequacy in this area. But there is hope.

*Grace Prescriptions* is designed to teach you to share your faith with patients in ways that safeguard the important ethical principles of respect, sensitivity, and permission. Originally taught in the popular *Saline Solution* course, these concepts are proven to be effective as thousands of lives have been transformed. *Grace Prescriptions* builds on this legacy. It is taught by co-authors Walt Larimore, MD, and William C. Peel, ThM. The program comes as an eight-DVD (fourteen-Modules) with an instructor's manual and participant's manuals for small group presentations. Further information may be obtained from the CPFIF or CMDA websites. If anyone has interest and would like help with a plan to keep the issue of personal outreach before each of us, please let myself or someone on the Mission Committee know.

Respectfully submitted,

*Keith W. Allhands*, chair