

Child Family Health International

• Transformative Global Health Education & Community Empowerment •

CFHI is an NGO in Special Consultative Status with the Economic and Social Council of the United Nations

WHAT WE DO & HOW WE DO IT:

Child Family Health International (CFHI) provides community-based Global Health Education Programs for health science students and institutions. Our unique model fosters reciprocal partnerships and empowerment in local communities -- transforming perspectives about self, healing and global citizenship.

- **Fostering** learning and introspection that sparks personal change for all involved
- **Working** to support sustainable solutions in healthcare services and disease prevention
- **Emphasizing** equity, ethical mindfulness, and understanding across cultures
- **Facilitating** the sharing of knowledge, resources, and experiences
- **Giving** priority to underserved communities

CFHI at a Glance

Founded: 1992

US Full Time Staff: 5

Global Partners: 200+

Locations: 20+ sites in 6 countries

Students since 1992: 7,000+

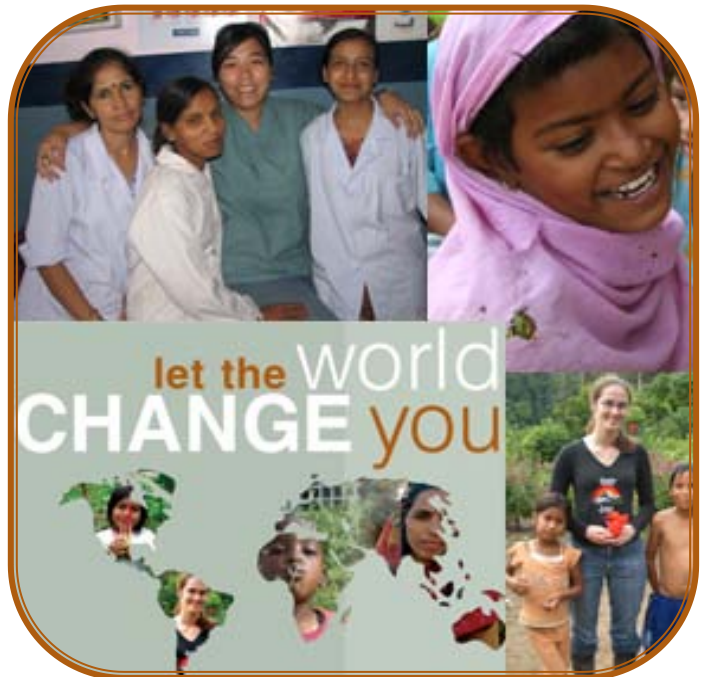
Students' Country of Origin: 40

Partner Clinics / Hospitals Supported: 75

Budget: \$1.8 million, 5.4% overhead*

Better Business Bureau Accredited Charity

* Based on 2011 Independent Financial Audit



Global Health Education Programs

Argentina – Bolivia – Ecuador
India – Mexico – South Africa

- Clinical & Public Health Exposure • Cultural Immersion •
- Language Training • Online Resources • Homestays •
- Expert On-Site Partners and US Staff Support

Community Health Projects

- **Micro-Funding** to support grassroots projects designed by local medical directors and community leaders with whom we partner
- **Professional Development Opportunities** such as support for skill-building trainings, conferences, education



GLOBAL HEALTH EDUCATION PROGRAMS

Since 1992, Child Family Health International has run global health programs for over 7,000 pre-medical, nursing, medical, MPH, PA and others interested in public health and medicine. Students travel to Argentina, Bolivia, Ecuador, India, Mexico, and South Africa to learn first-hand about the way healthcare is practiced and experienced worldwide and to immerse themselves in new cultural contexts. Students have come from nearly 500 of the top schools in the U.S. and the world. CFHI has also formed academic partnerships with schools such as Northwestern University & University of California, Davis to create customized global health programming.



ALUMNI IMPACT

CFHI's educational paradigm emphasizes sustainable solutions at the community level but also through the encouragement of life-long personal involvement. CFHI aims to motivate participants to serve as agents of change and continue work in underserved communities, whether at home or abroad. Here are three stories from CFHI alumni:

- Determined to make a difference in addressing oral health problems in Bolivia, one alumnus contacted dental supply manufacturing companies in the US urging them to make donations. Oral health donations made by these companies included toothpaste, toothbrushes and expensive filling material which were sent through students participating in CFHI's Pediatric Health Program in Bolivia and distributed amongst hundreds of local children.
- Jorge Gallardo is a slum with no running water or sanitation, and an infant mortality rate of 18% for children under 15 months. One alumna enlisted the support of her father (an engineer) and eight volunteer nursing students to raise \$115,000 to construct an irrigation system—and conduct health screenings—for this community.
- Traveling many miles through the Ecuadorian jungle to visit sick relatives in the hospital, family members had nowhere to stay until CFHI alumni built a hut with sleeping accommodations and a kitchen for them to prepare traditional food and provide comfort care.



COMMUNITY HEALTH PROJECTS

CFHI launched our first round of Community Health Projects in 2005 to increase our support for health initiatives devised by the doctors and other community leaders who host and teach our students. Below are brief descriptions of some of the projects we are currently supporting:

- **India: Health Promoter Trainings** — Trains nine women elected by their peers from neighboring villages to deal with a variety of healthcare issues, especially in the area of maternal and child health.
- **South Africa: The Avian Park Clinic Renovation** —Transforming a dilapidated building into a fully functioning clinic. After construction operations are maintained together with the Department of Health, staff from a local university and local townspeople.
- **Ecuador: Stemming the Rise of Type 2 Diabetes** — Designing and implementing a tracking system for 130 patients with Type 2 diabetes in rural and remote areas of the Ecuadorian Amazon.

