



2012 VOLUNTEER APPLICATION

Haiti * Guatemala * Jamaica * Peru *

Please complete all sections and add all requested attachments. Consideration of your application will be given only after the **application, \$25 fee, and required attachments** are received. Do not send via email – Please send applications + attachments via **US Mail**.

Please print or write legibly.

Thank you!

Section 1: Personal Information –

Please Print Name: (as it appears on passport): _____

Suffix(es) Examples: MD, RN, OSF, etc. _____

Country of passport: _____ Date of Birth: _____

Passport Number _____ Date Passport Expires is: _____

Is your passport valid and without restrictions for travel to any of our mission communities? () Yes () No

If restricted, please describe: _____

Nickname/Name by which you prefer to be addressed by teammates _____

Home Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Home Phone: _____ Home Cell Phone: _____

E-Mail you use: _____ (PRINT CLEARLY)

We **must** have a home or work email for every volunteer. Email communication is critical for team planning.

Section 2: Employment Data – [Students: fill in school info. – Applicants should be 21 years or older]

Employer: _____ Years Employed (There): ____

Work Address: _____

Your current position/job title: _____ Profession: _____

Specialties (if applicable): _____

Clinical Professionals are asked to include a **copy of their resume** so we know the various skills of each applicant.

Work Phone: _____ Work E-Mail _____

Section 3: Language Proficiency- If you speak Spanish, Haitian Creole or French, please complete:

Language: _____ Minimal Conversational Fluent Read Write

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Section 4: Previous Volunteer Experience

Have you previously applied to Global Health Ministry mission? Yes _____ No _____ (If **Yes**, please list year and country of your last GHM mission.) _____

Have you been a team member on another International Health Team? Yes ____ No ____
(If **Yes**, please list year(s) and the service you provided.) _____

Are you currently, or have you recently been involved in any local volunteer commitments to those who are poor?
_____ Yes _____ No

If yes, please list the years and city & country where you performed volunteer service:

Section 5: Personal Health Status – mindful of being in a very demanding environment

Working in a developing country can present a strenuous and stressful environment. Teams work **long days** with only a short break for lunch. Sunday is only day off. Sleeping environments are clean and adequate, but not usually very quiet.

Are you physically fit and free of medical conditions or disabilities that could limit your activities and/or prevent you from safely performing the volunteer services for which you are applying? Yes ___ No ___ If no, please give details: _____

Do you have any dietary restrictions? No ____ Yes ____ If yes, please give details (including vegetarians).

Please list known allergies: _____

Medications Currently Used: _____

Motion Sickness: Many Global Health teams travel daily on rough, winding roads *to get to remote sites*. It is important for us to know any volunteer who may have a problem with motion sickness. Please complete below:

Do you have any problems with motion sickness? _____ No _____ Yes If yes, what prevents or helps mitigate the problem? _____

All applicants who are accepted for a team will be given a medical clearance form to submit to Global Health.

Section 6: Personal Motivation (Skip if you applied for a GHM team in the past seven years)

1. In 200 words or less / one page, and on a separate sheet added to this application, describe your desires and reasons for participating in the Global Health Volunteer program.

(Please be specific. A response is required, unless you have been on a GHM team in the past seven years)

Section 7: Mission Sites & Times* Rank each mission in the order of Preference (1= 1st choice, etc.)

Mission Location and Overview of Volunteers Needed	Pre-Mission Orientation	Dates of Mission	Rank
Guatemala, Esquipulas - Primary Care Need: PC Practitioners fluent in Spanish; PT/OT Practitioners, Nurses and other Clinical Support Staff; Translators; Support Staff; Dental and Optometry Practitioners, Pharmacy and General Support Staff.	February 23, 2012 Tues. 7 - 9 pm (at GHM Office or via Conf Call)	April 20 – May 4, 2012 (some will need to go April 19)	
Peru, Chulucanas - Primary Care Need: PC Practitioners, especially those who are fluent/conversational in Spanish; Optometry and PT/OT Practitioners; Nurses and other Clinical Support Staff; Translators; Bio-Med or Surgical Tech; Pharmacy and General Support Staff. Medical Interpreters	Sat. March 17, 2012 9 AM – 12 Noon GHM Office Newtown Sq PA	June 15 – June 29, 2012	
Peru-Chulucanas - Surgical and Primary Care Need For Surgery: Anesthesiology Practitioners - Gyn., Gen. Surg, Plastics, Ophthalmology and Optometry; Podiatry Surgeons - Scrub and Circ staff; Post-Op Staff, RNs/P.A.s/ Techs - Nurses and other Clinical Support Staff; Bio-Med/Surgical Tech – Supply Chain and General Support Staff. Medical Interpreters experienced in Spanish. Need for Prim. Care: [Same as above June Primary Team]	Sat. March 31, 2012 9 AM – 4 PM GHM Office Newtown Sq PA	October 5 – 20, 2012	
Haiti— Gros Morne - Primary Care Need: PC Practitioners; Clinicians fluent / conversational in Haitian Creole; PT/OT Practitioners; Nurses and other Clinical Support Staff; Translators; General Support Staff.	Tues., June 12 (at GHM Office or via Conf Call)	Nov. 1 – 11, 2012	
Jamaica, Kingston - Primary Care Need: PC Practitioners; PT/OT Practitioners; Nurses and other Clinical Support Staff; General Support Staff.	Tues. Sept. 18, 2012 Tues. 7 - 9 PM (at GHM Office or via Conf Call)	Jan. 19 – Jan. 30, 2013 (note year)	

BRIEF OVERVIEW OF MISSION LOCATIONS AND PROGRAMS

Location	Clinical Program	Education Program / Special Notes
<p>Guatemala: Esquipulas, our home base, is a small city. Team travels by truck each day to rural villages outside Esquipulas.</p> <p>Haiti: Gros Morne, in the north, is our home base. Primary Care Team travels each day to rural sites.</p> <p>Jamaica: Kingston, The team travels each day from a school campus setting to the Trenchtown communities of inner- city Kingston and/or other poor community settings.</p>	<p>Primary Care Programs: Usually family and community medicine, including Ob/Gyn and Peds, along with Physical and Occupational Medicine, Optometry (Guat. and Peru) and Dentistry (Guat.). Other services such as Podiatry, Mental Health, and ENT may be included.</p>	<p>Education Program: Depending on the topics identified by our in country partners and the expertise of our volunteers, GHM staff provide educational seminars for community volunteers, professional and para-professionals in each country we serve. Topics such as Diabetes Management, Maternal-Child Health, STDs, Hygiene, Cancer Prevention, Eye Care, and Body Mechanics / Exercise may be covered. Patient, student, and community education programs are often included.</p>
<p>Peru: Chulucanas, a city in Northern Peru is our home base and primary clinic site. Service to mountain communities may be included in the primary care program. Some outpatient services may also be provided in Chulucanas.</p> <p>The surgery program utilizes the general hospital in Chulucanas. Primary Care teams serving local communities may travel with the surgery team.</p>	<p>Primary Care Program: as above</p> <p>Surgery Program: General & Vascular, OB/GYN, and Plastics. Ophthalmology, ENT and Podiatric Surgery may be included depending on resources and staff. Bio-Med staff are especially needed.</p>	<p>Primary Care Team: Same as above, with a special emphasis on Maternal-Child Health and Eye Disease Prevention programs for health promoters and the community.</p> <p>Surgery Program: Education other than that in the OR depends on resources, demand and OR schedule each year.</p>

Section 8: Attachments – Please make sure you enclose all these items with your MAILED application

- Ranked Mission choices in Section 7.
- Copy of your resume (*Skip if you applied for a GHM team in the past seven years unless major changes noted*)
- Detailed response to question in Section 6. (*Skip if you applied for a GHM team in the past seven years*)
- Copy of Photo page of your passport – Photo must be clear and in color. DO NOT FAX.**
- \$25.00 Application Fee (*Please make checks payable to Global Health Ministry*)

Letters of Recommendation:

- A personal reference letter* (Skip if you applied for a GHM team in the past seven years).
- Employees of a CHE/CHS/BAYCARE Health System organization:
Please ask your Mission Executive if they have a specific process for applying for a GHM team.
GHM is a member of / affiliate of these organizations and we try to follow their policies & procedures.
Email Sr. Mary Jo [mmcginley@che.org] if you need the name and/or contact info for your Mission Executive.

Section 9: Agreement & Commitment to Responsibility for Finances and Supplies

All volunteers are expected to cover (by personal donation or fundraising):

(Direct Mission Expenses average between \$1,000 and \$2,300, *per volunteer* depending on flight costs and team size.)

We provide fundraising ideas and materials for volunteers to help them in any way possible.

Direct Expenses Include the following:

- All Airfares (Airfare Cost range from \$400 to \$1500, Peru is the most expensive mission).
- Mission Direct Costs [patient and team expenses] (usually range = \$60-\$75 day)

In addition, volunteers are expected to cover all expenses they will incur traveling to and from home (airport fees, meals, hotels, tips, etc.) and also expenses on the team day off. (usually \$30 to \$40 per person)

If selected as a team member, I agree to contribute/help fund raise to cover these expenses and also assist Global Health in acquiring the medicines, supplies, and sponsors required for our mission.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Section 10: Next Steps

Applicants who match current needs may be asked to participate in a phone interview. Every effort will be made to make sure that all applicants will receive written or email notice of their status as soon as possible. Applicants who apply by January 31 will be notified before, or by, March 31.

Those chosen for a team will receive additional information when they receive their notification letter.

Please copy this page and keep it until you have received your status notification letter.

Please MAIL the completed, signed application, attachments, and fee as soon as possible to:

**Global Health Ministry
3805 West Chester Pike - Suite 100
Newtown Square, PA 19073**

Please feel free to email anyone of the three persons on our staff if you have any questions:

**Andrea Divers-Murph – Executive Assistant- amurph@che.org
Sister Ivette Diaz, RSM – Program Manager – idiiaz@che.org
Sister Mary Jo McGinley, RSM – Executive Director**

THANK YOU!