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GLOBAL MEDICAL VOLUNTEERS
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 (Formerly Milphap-19)



Our Foundation Expands
It's Activities
To Laos and Cambodia



Surgical Equipment Donated to Hospital In Phnom Penh

MILPHAP-19 was the unit I served in Vietnam during the war. This is the reason that I gave my foundation the same name. It is apparent that most of my supporters had trouble making this connection. This year I have changed the name to my foundation to: Global Medical Volunteers and have decided to expand our activities to different countries.

In November of 2010 we had a medical mission to Vietnam, where I was accompanied by Dr. Ronald Chamberlain, who is the chief of general surgery at St. Barnabas Medical Center along with 2 of his chief residents. We returned to the province hospital in Gia Nghia and Nha Trang. In Gia Nghia, Dr. Chamberlain instructed the local surgeons on modern techniques in removing the thyroid glands. In Nha Trang, Dr. Chamberlain and his residents performed intestinal bypass surgery using advance surgical techniques incorporating intestinal staples, which the Vietnamese surgeons were not familiar with. This was extremely informative and helpful to the local surgeons and this program will be continued. In both Gia Nghia and Nha Trang, I performed removal of urinary stones from the ureters, these are

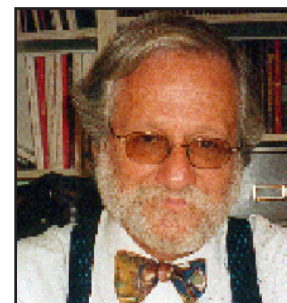


Dr. Ronald Chamberlain Performing Intestinal Surgery In Nha Trang

In Vietnam, I have been contacted by the medical school in Ha Noi, Vietnam to set up a program where we will be visiting remote hospitals in the distant provinces in northern and western Vietnam to ascertain the capabilities of the local physicians and what equipment they have and additionally what equipment we could furnish them with in the future.



Dr. Zelikovsky Doing Prostatic Surgery In Cambodia



Once again, I want to thank those of you whom have support these efforts in the past and look forward to your continued support in the future. A tax deductible contributions can be made to:

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hospitals in Phnom Penh and in the surrounding districts. Dr. Cohen identified the needs of doctors in various hospitals requiring various equipment and instruction in his specialty, and we will be developing a program in the future to donate the surgical equipment.

In Vientiane, Laos once again, we met with doctors of multiple hospitals and their staff where we found them to be extremely knowledgeable and competent, but once again, their surgical equipment was inadequate or non-functional for the treatment of urological and gastroenterological disease. I performed multiple surgeries with the chief of urology and had promised to furnish him with the appropriate equipment.



Ethnic Minority Woman With Her Child At Hospital In Ghia Nghia, Central Highlands, VN



Dr Zelkovsky Removing Kidney Stone in Laos

We Will Expand Our Program In Remote Areas Of Laos In February 2012

Once again, Dr. Cohen identified the gastroenterological needs of their community and we will be developing a program to help the local doctors in the future.

In February and November of 2012, I am planning to return to Laos and to Vietnam. The project at that time will be to deliver the required surgical equipment to the hospital in Laos and also to visit another remote district hospitals to develop a urological training program at that time.

muscular tubes that connect the kidneys down to the bladder. In Nha Trang I furnished the doctor's with a machine, which can break up large urinary stones into smaller stones or gravel using a water wave technique. Since that time, the doctors in Vietnam have informed me that they have performed multiple stone removals with this equipment.

In March of 2011, I went to Cambodia and Laos with Dr. Seth Cohen, who is a well known Gastroenterologist using the most advanced surgical techniques in his specialty.

In Phnom Penh, Cambodia, I visited many hospitals. We identified a hospital which predominately treats impoverished patients, where I found the urologists to be extremely knowledgeable and competent, but lacking the most necessary equipment for urological surgery. I donated a complete surgical system with providing video capabilities to the hospital. The doctors involved have communicated with me since that time that the equipment is fully operational and they continue to perform many procedures to relieve prostatic enlargement and bladder tumors with this equipment. Dr. Cohen and also toured multiple



Dr. Chamberlain with children in the Central Highlands of VN



Mountain Tribes Woman In Northern VN