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February 22, 2006

FACT SHEET

Surgeons of Hope's Pediatric Heart Surgery Mission to Cambodia

- Dates:** Saturday, March 4 – Saturday, March 11, 2006
- Scope:** Team will operate on 20 indigent children.
- Type of surgery to be performed:** Regular open-heart surgery and catheterization (very advanced procedure).
- Scope of mission:** Local medical team will be trained: cardiac surgeon, nurses, cardiologist, interventional cardiologist, anesthesiologist, perfusionist will be trained in open-heart and catheterization procedures of heart surgery.
- Team (from NY-Presbyterian Hospital):**
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- Dr. Jonathan Chen**
- Jonathan Chen, M.D.**, Director of Pediatric Cardiac Surgery, Weill Cornell Campus
Stephanie Lévasseur, M.D., FRCPC, FAAP, Assistant Professor of Pediatrics
Alejandro Torres, M.D., Pediatric Cardiac Catheterization
Johanna C. Schwarzenberger, M.D., Director, Pediatric Anesthesia for offsite & imaging
H. Michael Ushay, M.D., Pediatric Intensive Care Medicine
Jillian Kirkpatrick, R.N., Pediatric Intensive Care Nurse
Ellen Moquete, R.N., Pediatric Cardiac Catheterization Nurse
Kevin Charette, CCP, Director of Pediatric Perfusion Services
- Per child cost of surgery:** **\$3,000** (includes surgery, medicine, and recovery stay at Children's Pavilion with guardian, transportation for medical team).
- Total mission cost:** **\$60,000** for 20 procedures. This covers: air transportation for 8 people, daily expenses, local operating costs and staff, consumables for surgery and medication, hospitalization at Children's Pavilion for indigent child and one relative.
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- Our Mission:** To bring surgery and medical care to indigent children while training local surgeons at state-of-the-art hospitals we build in developing countries.
- Our Concept:**
- Building independent, sustainable hospitals fitted to local needs
 - Developing a training hospital in order to transfer knowledge and skill
 - Installing the highest technology to support training
 - Providing surgery to paying and non-paying patients: a balanced price system that allows 50% of operations to be for indigent children (wealthier patients pay for disadvantaged patients), promoting self-sufficiency
 - Creating Children's Pavilions at hospitals—a safe environment for indigent children and their families pre- and post-operation
- Our Motto:** "It's not what we bring. It's what we leave behind." SoH believes that curing and training at a local level will lead to local autonomy and have a lasting impact on the communities we serve.
- Our Philosophy:** Performing surgery in a child's own environment, culture, and language, with his or her family nearby, is, we feel, the most helpful and cost-effective way to cure these children.