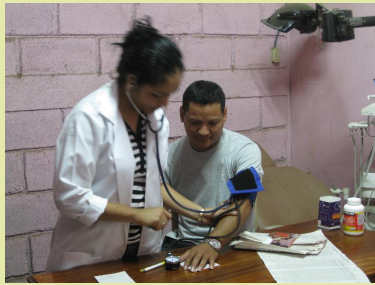




The New First Aid Brigade & the Chacraseca Clinic JustHope

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What's Needed in Nicaragua

- 1) point of care hemoglobin/hematocrit machine
- 2) pulse ox - portable
- 3) chemistry analyzer - needed for kidney function studies
- 4) point of care glucose monitor - desperately need ability to diagnose diabetes
- 5) personal glucose monitors WITH adequate strips for patients to help take responsibility for their disease
- 6) 4 x 4 gauze and rolled gauze
- 7) wrist, ankle and knee wraps/stabilizers
- 8) automated blood pressure machines (the first aid brigade - all 11 sectors- need one since they are trained lay persons
- 8) microscope slide drying racks - both horizontal and vertical
- 9) nebulizers



How would you feel if your child just burned herself on your wood cooking stove... and you had no transportation to the clinic?

What would you do if you had an asthma attack? With great difficulty breathing, you have no transportation to León, 45 minutes away, and you have no medications...



Through generous donations of first aid supplies and roller bags, there is now a first aid brigade with trained volunteers in 5 of the 11 sectors of Chacraseca. These community volunteers have had first aid training by nurses and nurse practitioners and have now been equipped with a roller bag filled with supplies. This will allow the child to have the burn evaluated, the wound cleaned and dressed, and the caregiver can be taught how to manage the burn. And, if necessary, the child can be referred to the hospital.



The training brigade is also equipped to treat an asthma attack with a nebulizer and medications, hopefully breaking up the spasms, alleviating the need to go to the hospital. Of course, the patients will be encouraged to go to the Chacraseca clinic for a physician follow up, but at least first aid can be delivered at times when the clinic is closed or transportation is unavailable. This is a huge benefit to the sectors in the community.

The volunteers are eager to learn more and each time a medical team - or any team - is in Chacraseca, another educational topic can be

- 10) scissors with sharp points
- 11) hemostats/needle drivers
- 12) tweezers
- 13) very large syringes to use to irrigate ears and wounds
- 14) disposable vaginal speculums
- 15) rocker for laboratory
- 16) single/double tube mixer for laboratory

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introduced. More volunteers from the other sectors are being recruited to serve their areas. The supplies will be replaced, as needed - what good is an empty first aid bag?

If you have possible donors for first aid items (see list in side bar) for the brigade in mind, please feel free to contact [Barbara Grogg](#). She is always looking for sources of supplies and equipment.



In April, Dr. Sampson, the dentist who works in Chacraseca, was in the US to educate the public, raise funds, and to attend the Oklahoma Dental Association's state meeting in Tulsa, Oklahoma. He had a very rewarding time while here and left with renewed

enthusiasm for his patients. Thanks to the dental team and partnership with Tulsa Community College, he made several new friends and received many supplies for the dental clinic.

Of course, with the renewed energy, came new dreams...dreams for the community clinic in Chacraseca, which houses both the medical and dental clinics.

The wish list for the clinic includes adding space- especially to the dental room. It is presently about 8 x 8. This small room contains a large, very noisy air compressor, patient chair, dentist chair, supplies, sink - and a patient and dentist. There is no room to really work well. Dr. Sampson also needs some new dental equipment - he is using tools that are older than him.

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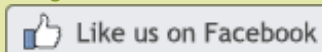
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