







A smile for Haiti

Four years after the earthquake, we are seeing significant improvements almost everywhere in Haiti, which, given the difficult initial situation, can be described as small successes.

The rubble in the capital has now been removed. Many houses and entire quarters were built.

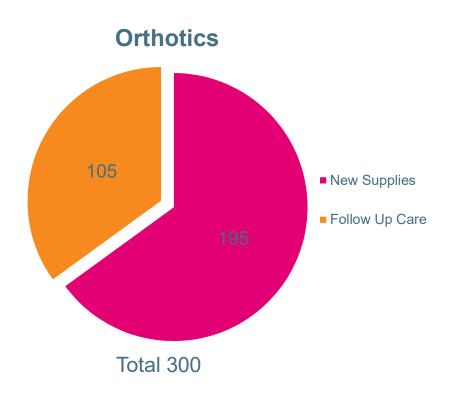
Unfortunately, there is often a lack of the necessary institutions and assertiveness to build a stable infrastructure, e.g. to ensure health care and schooling for everyone.

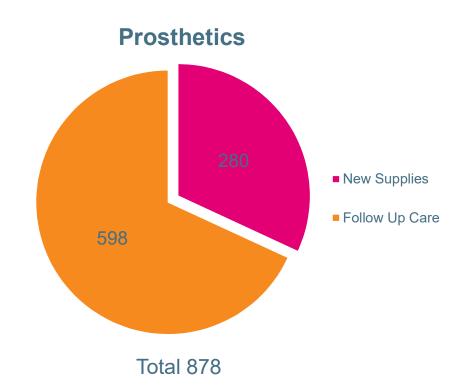
Reconstruction will take many years to complete.

Operative Results 2013



1178 Supplied Patients

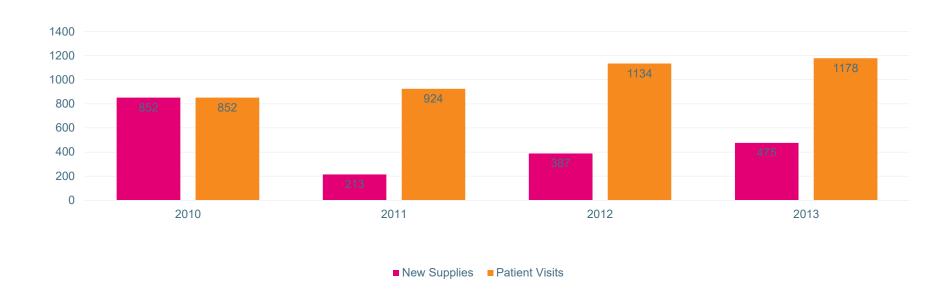




Operative Results 2010 - 2013



Total 1.927 New Supplies Total 4.088 Patient Visits



Operative Results 2013



Total 139 Volunteers

2010

Volunteers	Patients	Ratio
52	852	16.4

2012

Voluntaers	Palients	Ratio
24	1134	47,2

plus 1 lead practitioner on site

2011

Volunteers	Patients	Ratio
50	924	18,5

2013

Volunteers	Palients	Ratio
13	1178	90,6

plus 1 leadpractitioner on site





Lead Practitioner

Cornelia Köhler

... 2 years of experience with Johanniter International Aid.

On site since March 2010.

CPO since 2013 and has been on site for medi for help as the successor to Michael Beck since July

medi for help

Our own car with many thanks to our Rotary friends in Switzerland

The distance between our workshop and the capital always presents us with logistical challenges.

Thanks to a donation from our Rotary friends, we can make patient transport easier with our Land Cruiser.





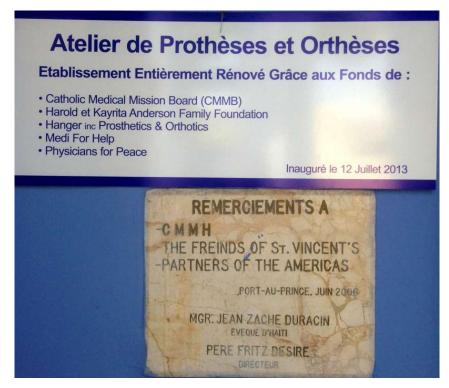
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The establishment of an orthopedic workshop in Deschapelles was an important acute measure in February 2010 after the catastrophic earthquake in Haiti.

Many earthquake victims could and still can be helped with solid orthopedic care.

What turned out to be a big challenge from the start, however, was the distance to Port au Prince. Numerous patients came from the capital to Deschapelles for treatment and had to travel for a day.

An intolerable situation that medi for help and its partners wanted to counteract with a second satellite workshop in Port au Prince.



Workshop sign / founding partner



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... The groundbreaking ceremony and the associated reconstruction of the part of the building took place at the beginning of November.

The aim was and is to build a new, closed complex in which the children's school and accommodation are connected to the workshop.

The construction of the workshop with physiotherapy was opened in July 2013 and handed over to St. Vincents.





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... In order to turn the vision into reality, initial discussions were held at the beginning of 2011 about where and with whom the second supply location could be built.

The St. Vincent School for Handicapped Children appeared to be the ideal partner. It is a school for 240 handicapped children without a family in full-time placement. Although the school's workshop was completely destroyed, the institution can look back on over 50 years of history and was an obvious choice for a new use.

On September 2, 2011, the demolition of the destroyed part of the building and the removal of the rubble began.









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... Since some important devices are only came out after half a year from the local Customs, the process was delayed by around six months.

Completion of the installations in July 2013





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... The focus of the workshop is on technical orthotics.

Since the leg prosthesis area was new for the technicians, we started a rotation with the team from Deschapelles through the joint workshop management Cornelia Köhler (CPO).





Team 2013





Visit of Dr. Michael Weihermüller 2013

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