

ISHI INTERNATIONAL SURGICAL HEALTH INITIATIVE

ISHI NJMS Student Club

The ISHI club at NJMS continues to thrive. Now entering its 3rd year, the club has expanded to include a non-credit elective and an international surgery rotation. Highlights of the past academic year include:



- Medical student participation on missions for the first time! Pictured at left (top to bottom), Chirag Gordhan joined the ISHI Peru team while Christine Mau and Chris Ojeda were members of the Haiti team



- 1st Annual Global Surgery Dinner on 2/11/15 attracted 50 students to learn about international surgery efforts from 3 guest speakers



- International Hernia Day taught attendees about the African Hernia and hernia repair

- The club raised an astounding \$1942 towards sending 12 barrels of equipment and supplies to Kabala, Sierra Leone to aid in Ebola relief



2014 Ghana Team with our 1000th Patient

2014 in Review

2014 was a busy year for ISHI. We started the year off with a first-time mission to Clinica Madre de Cristo Trujilio, Peru, where 17 volunteers participated in 52 surgeries. One of the missions highlights was a violin concert by local students. In August we had a return mission to the Tetteh Quarshie Hospital in Ghana, where 14 of our volunteers performed 47 operations, including an important milestone: ISHI's 1000th surgery. This mission included a "Nana-ye" ceremony held for Dr. Kevin Clarke, officially making him a sub-chief, an exceptional and rare honor! We rounded the year out with another first-time mission, this time to Cap Haitian, Haiti. Whereas previous ISHI missions to Haiti have been in the southern part of the island, in the capital Port-au-Prince, this mission went to the more isolated northern



Team Haiti 2014

Save the Date

Mark your calendars and join ISHI at **Liberty State Park** for the 6th Annual Volunteer Picnic on Sunday **June 14th**. Come out to enjoy some summer sun, food, and great company with the backdrop of the NYC skyline. Full details on Facebook

Fun and Fundraising

● TD 5 Boro Bike Tour

On May 3rd, ISHI volunteers will bike the streets of all 5 Boros of NYC for the third consecutive year. Show your support for our riders by contributing to our CrowdRise campaign at:

<https://www.crowdrise.com/ISHINYC5boroTour>

● Bootcamp

Coming this summer, JCF Bootcamp in Jersey City teams up with ISHI in a fundraising Saturday workout on the pier overlooking lower Manhattan. Full details to follow on our Facebook page.

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part of the island, Cap Haitian. Eighteen volunteers performed 46 operations in Haiti and ISHI's successful use of the operating theater at Hospital de la Convention Baptiste d'Haiti (HCBH) allowed the hospital to hire a local surgeon to continue providing surgical care for this region's people after we left.

ISHI volunteers additionally participated in many social events throughout the year, reflecting on their mission experiences and strengthening their friendships. Each mission was followed-up with a reunion gathering once the team had settled back into life in the US. Our volunteers at both our summer Volunteer Picnic and End of the Year Party to recognize the contributions of our volunteers. We look forward to an even better 2015!

2015 Upcoming Missions (dates tentative)

 ISHI's 3rd trip to Ghana is tentatively **September 17-27**.

 We were invited back to provide free surgery at a government hospital in Trujillio, Peru from **October 24-November 1**.

 A tentative return trip to Cap Haitian in northern Haiti is planned for **November 14-22**.

