

## Volunteer Rotations at PAACS Hospitals

PAACS is primarily a training program for surgeons. We are very interested in helping arrange a trip to our hospitals for surgeons and other physicians who will directly work with our residents. If you are in that category, please contact us at [admin@paacs.net](mailto:admin@paacs.net) or [ceo@paacs.net](mailto:ceo@paacs.net).

Unfortunately, we do not have the time and personnel to help others arrange such a trip. If you are a student, or a non-surgical resident or a medical physician (other than a radiologist, gastroenterologist or pathologist) and wish to serve at one of these hospitals, please use the contact list below to arrange a rotation at the following hospitals. North American physicians are usually referred to World Medical Mission ([http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/Serving\\_Overseas](http://www.samaritanspurse.org/index.php/Serving_Overseas)) and it is recommended that you start there. Given the necessity of visas, inoculations and the limited housing for guests at all of these places, it is advised that you start working on arranging your rotation at least six months in advance. Please be aware that you will be responsible for ALL costs of travel to and from the country, passport, visas, inoculations, travel within the country and the housing, utilities, food and other incidental costs at the hospital. Some hospitals have minimum requirements for the length of time spent there and preferences for language ability.

**If you are a medical student**, we suggest that you start with the student handbook from CMDA. You can find this resource at [www.cmda.org/studenthandbook](http://www.cmda.org/studenthandbook)

Hospital Listings:

[Bongolo Hospital](#); [Bongolo Hospital](#) (second web site), Lebamba, Gabon – Please contact Dr. Keir Thelander at [thelandersofgabon@yahoo.com](mailto:thelandersofgabon@yahoo.com)

[Kijabe Hospital](#), Kijabe, Kenya - Please contact Charity Ng'ang'a at [medstaffcoord.kh@kijabe.net](mailto:medstaffcoord.kh@kijabe.net) or Lois at [mededdirasst.kh@kijabe.net](mailto:mededdirasst.kh@kijabe.net)

[Mbingo Hospital](#) , Bamenda, Cameroon – Please contact George Ngwang at [cbcvisitors@gmail.com](mailto:cbcvisitors@gmail.com)

[Soddo Christian Hospital](#), Soddo, Wolaitta, Ethiopia –Contact Becca Gray at [visitsoddo@gmail.com](mailto:visitsoddo@gmail.com)

[Tenwek Hospital](#) , Bomet, Kenya – Please contact Lisa Kuyaya at [tenwekvisitors@tenwek.com](mailto:tenwekvisitors@tenwek.com). Nursing students must be ready to graduate or in their final year, they must be “indexed” with the nursing council of Kenya, which involves them bringing their transcript, a color copy of their passport and \$50.