

Fondation Eagle

Report Form

Interim report

Donor name: Fondation Eagle

Fondation Eagle reference: FF

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Name of Charity: Fondation CEA (chirurgie pour l'enfance africaine)

Introduction: We have been working in Benin and Togo for more than 35 years. The Service de Chirurgie Pédiatrique/CHUV has had an ongoing collaboration in West part of Africa in the aim of providing quality surgical care to indigent children. Annual surgical missions (with surgeons, anesthesiologists, nurses, speech therapists) as well as follow-up annual consultations have been the keystone of our activity.

The Fondation Chirurgie pour l'Enfance Africaine (CEA) was created in 2013 and raised funds to construct and equip a 2-room operating unit in the pediatric wing of the Departmental Hospital of Zou-Collines.

Date of grant accepted: 2024

Amount: 3000 Euro (50 Euro per operations)

Conversion rate, date & amount in local currency: Euro

Name and exact location of the project: Abomey, CHDZ, Benin

Period of Project: 26 January to 6 February 2025

Project beneficiaries: Children and families in Benin

Details of the project:

As surgery in a public hospital in Benin is not free of charge, we want to propose 50 Euro per operation per child to avoid that parents will pay for the hospital stay. By this way, we will be competitive in front of the other Foundation od Association in Benin. The families will be the beneficial of such decision.

Detailed budgets and actual expenditure summary and comparison:

The following participated in the 2025 mission: for surgery, Prof. Anthony de Buys Roessingh, Dr. Pascal Ramseyer, Dr. Lefteris Stathopoulos, Dr. Marion Poget; Ms. Christelle Jung, nurse, and Ms. Céline Dufour, occupational therapist. The anesthesiologists were Drs. Mirko Dolci (initially), Caroline Muri, and Antonios Anagnostopoulos, along with Ms. Alexandra Schwab, nurse anesthetist.

The CHDZ in Abomey employed 46 staff members during the mission: nurses, surgical assistants, an ENT specialist, a pediatric surgeon, a trained anesthetist, and two anesthetists in training. Local surgeons and anesthetists performed a large number of procedures and operations with our help and collaboration.

Our nurse in charge of facial clefts and burns provided follow-up care for patients and local training. Together with our occupational therapist, they took care of a large number of children, making multiple splints and dressings, providing dietary advice for children with oral disorders, and providing positioning therapy for children with developmental disorders.

In terms of surgery and anesthesia, we began our stay by consulting with 140 children from Benin and Togo to create our surgical list. We operated on 59 children, 30 for plastic surgery (cleft palates, burns, vascular malformations, lymphangioma, foot and hand malformations) and 29 for digestive and urogenital conditions. We had no problems with anesthesia or surgery. The operations went according to plan, with three afternoons set aside for local emergencies.

Follow up: Children were seen and checked in September 2025

Conclusion: Our mission in 2025 was a great success with 59 children operated

Signature and date:

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