

Giving life without losing their own.

Together, let's care for all the mothers of the world.



Our impact this year:



30 women underwent **fistula repair surgery**; all costs were fully covered.



53 women received an initial **consultation** or **follow-up care**.



2 research projects completed to better support our patients.



Our Key Initiatives

1. Surgical Missions

Twice a year, teams of volunteer doctors, nurses, and coordinators travel to Sylvanus Olympio Hospital in Lomé, Togo, to perform free fistula repair surgeries – restoring health, dignity, and hope to women who have been living with incontinence following a difficult childbirth.

In 2025, **30 women received fistula repair surgery**. All patients from previous missions were seen for a follow-up, and many new patients were examined, either to prepare them for a future mission or to offer treatment with medication.



MMS surgeons working alongside Togolese colleagues at the Sylvanus Olympio Hospital.

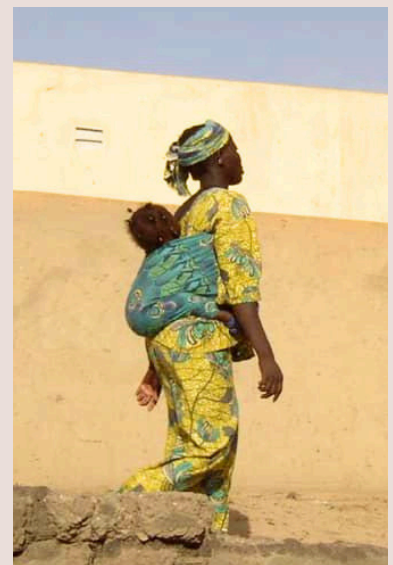


MMS volunteer doctors, Dr. Aragon and Dr. Homsy, with Dr. Bramah and the anesthesiology team at the Sylvanus Olympio Hospital in Lomé.

2. Research

Professor Danielle Groleau, a medical anthropologist at McGill University, is leading two research projects focused on **women's perceptions of healing and illness trajectories**. With two research students, she interviewed more than 50 women. The findings will be presented in two upcoming scientific articles.

This research will directly inform our work by identifying concrete, culturally sensitive ways to **support patients before and after surgery**.



3. Prevention

Prevention is a fundamental pillar of the Foundation's work. Surgical missions serve as opportunities for mutual learning: MMS teams provide **hands-on training to local doctors and nurses**, while drawing on the knowledge of their Togolese colleagues.

In 2025, Dr. Esodina Padja, a urologist at Lomé's Sylvanus Olympio Hospital, worked alongside the MMS team during two surgical missions. Specialized medical equipment was also donated to the hospital to support fistula care year-round.

We have continued our **partnership with Horizon Développement**, a local NGO that recruits patients, provides education on fistula prevention, and manages all the local coordination before, during, and after our surgical missions.



MMS team with the staff of Horizon Développement.



Dr. Esodina Padja, urologist at Lomé's Sylvanus Olympio Hospital, and Dr. Ann Yin, resident at McGill University in Montréal.



The Foundation is advancing plans for the **Tsévié Women's Hospital** – a year-round care facility for women affected by obstetric fistula and other childbirth complications – to be built on land provided by the Government of Togo.

Initial plans by Montréal-based firm RUMI are complete, and fundraising is underway.

Thank you to our partners and donors!



MMS team leaving from Montréal airport, transporting medical equipment generously donated by our partners.

We extend our sincere thanks to all donors whose generosity makes our work possible. We are especially grateful to the companies providing essential surgical equipment, and in particular to **Cardinal Health** and **Storz Canada**, for their continued support.

In October 2025, we held our **Annual Benefit Dinner** at Yubari Restaurant in Montréal. Thank you to the event organizers, Stéphanie Breton and Valérie Corcos, and all the guests and volunteers. Together, we raised enough funds to cover the expenses of one surgical mission.



The organizers of the 2025 Benefit Dinner, Stéphanie Breton and Valérie Corcos, with the President of MMS, Dr. Jacques Corcos.

"Imagine living wet for years, fleeing the world – and driving the world away – because of your urine odor.

Living depressed and suicidal until a group of Canadians, supported by charitable donors, came to my aid, operated on me and, most importantly, cured me.

A miracle that brought back my smile and happiness! Thank you, I never thought it would happen!"



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