



CHILD Foundation
(Canadian Health, Immunization and Learning Development Foundation)

Operational Highlights
January 1, 2013 – December 31, 2013

The year 2013 was an exciting year in the history of CHILD Foundation and the Maya Devi Charitable (MDH) Hospital as it was marked by an incredible continued growth in patients seeking health care services. More specifically, the Foundation achieved the following three key milestones:

- The MDH Hospital celebrated its second anniversary on October 2, 2013. It served 23,895 patients in 2013 compared to 14,256 in 2012 (a whopping 67.6% increase). The growth in service demands challenged the capacity of the staff to provide high quality care. The patient load is about eight-fold that of the original estimate of 3,000 patients annually.
- As a result of the Foundation's collaboration with the local health services (University of Calgary/Alberta Health Services), two Alberta medical doctors visited the hospital as volunteers as part of a Global Health elective. Doctors provided positive reports and identified needs for capital equipment.
- In collaboration with the Foundation, the Rotary Club of Calgary Centennial raised \$37,500 in 2012. This was leveraged up to \$71,000 through matching grants and 50/50 grants by other foundations to fund specific capital projects and operating programs. In addition, the Foundation held its first major fundraiser, *Maya's Dream*, on May 7, 2013. This event raised about \$28,000, which surpassed all expectations.

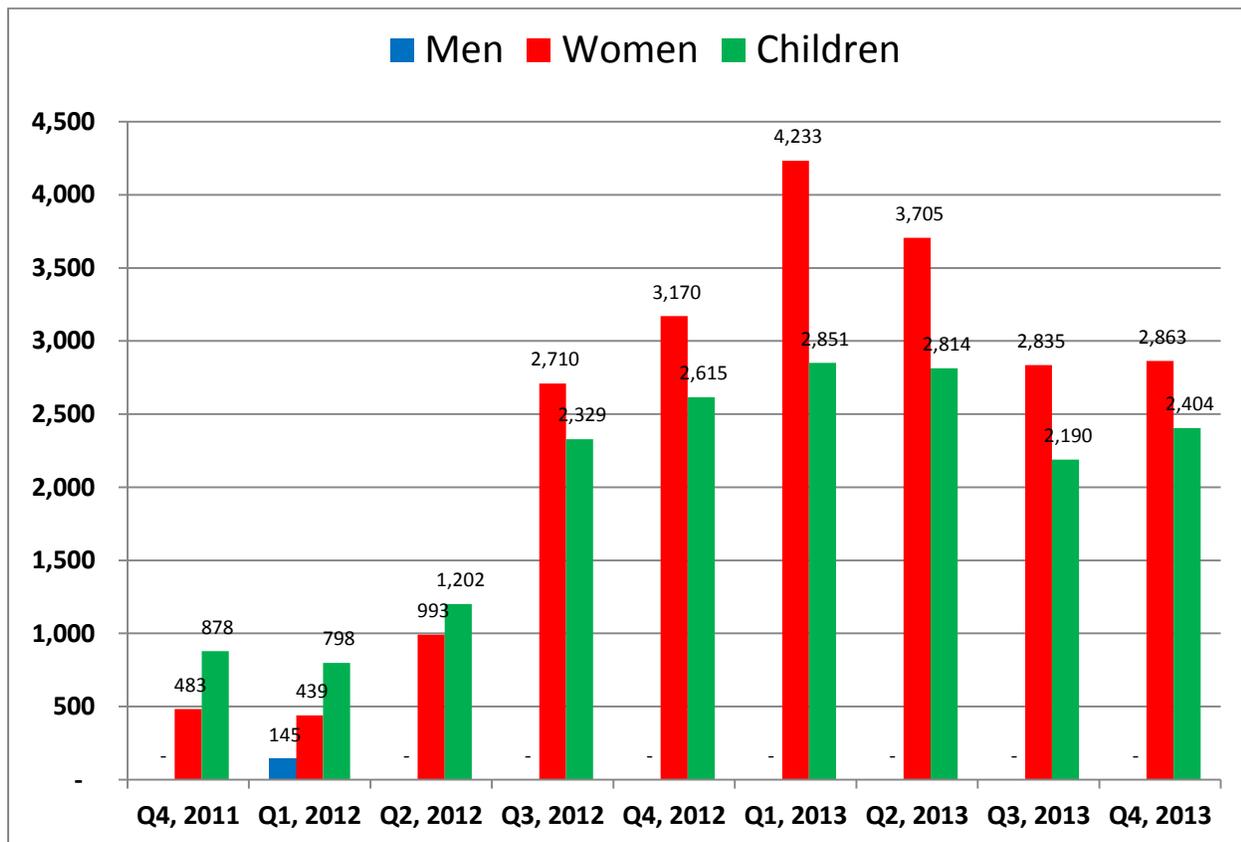
Hospital Operation/Patient Care:

On October 2, 2013, the hospital celebrated its first anniversary of providing quality health care services to women and children in the rural community of Sarurpur Kalan. During its second year of operation, the main achievements of the hospital were as follows:

- The hospital is well established as the Centre of Excellence, in the context of a rural setting, for primary care for women and children. While limited in resources, it managed to provide good quality pre- and post-natal care, and treat other illnesses.

- Due to the hospital's increasing reputation in the community, it began to attract patients from surrounding villages. Prior to the hospital opening in 2011, the patient visits were estimated to be about 3,000 in the first year. In reality, the hospital recorded 23,895 visits from January 1, 2013 till December 21st, 2013, about eight times more the original estimate. In the calendar year 2012, the total number of patient visits was 14,256. Patient visits topped in the first quarter of 2013 and has since declined. This is likely a seasonal trend.
- The hospital managed to retain the original staff of doctors and nurses which is always a challenge in a rural area.
- Canadian doctors volunteering at the hospital reported an extremely high rate (nearly 100%) of iron deficiency in productive-age women due to their vegetarian diet and lack of nutritional knowledge. This is being addressed by the hospital. There are many documented cases where the hospital staff saved the lives of women and children who would have otherwise died.
- The hospital has upheld the very high standards of ethics and values of CHILD Foundation.

The chart below shows the patient visits from the time the hospital opened for service.



Collaborations:

As a result of the Foundation's collaboration with the local health services (University of Calgary/Alberta Health Services), two Alberta medical doctors visited the hospital as volunteers as part of a Global Health elective. Dr. Bhavini Gohel was the first resident who volunteered at the hospital for two weeks in January 2013. A second resident, Dr. Nathan Winata volunteered for four weeks in the month of April/May 2013.

Doctors provided positive reports and identified needs for capital equipment such as diagnostic laboratory, ultrasound, etc. Unreliable utility power was also identified as a critical issue. (Plans are underway to address these matters.)

Following her visit, Dr. Gohel attempted to develop an educational program for local doctors to enhance their skill set and shift the delivery of medicine from symptom-based to cause-based. There has been some reluctance from local doctors to shift the focus in the absence of diagnostic equipment. Once the onsite laboratory is operational, we anticipate greater acceptance to the approach being suggested by Dr. Gohel.

Collaboration with Johnson & Johnson to provide free sanitary napkins to the women in the community fizzled out. We will continue to pursue a sponsor to supply the napkins or alternatively to purchase a machine to employ local women to manufacture the napkins locally.

Another area of collaboration, providing clean drinking water, is under investigation. Our long-term strategy is to address the underlying cause of health and wellness issues in the community. Poor quality water has been identified as one of the root causes of illness, particularly among young children. To address this issue, we have been in touch with the Centre for Affordable Water and Sanitation Technology (CAWST), a Canadian charity doing international work. We hope to formulate and initiate a definite plan in 2014/2015 with their assistance.

Fundraising

Our fundraising accomplishments and partnerships are addressed throughout this document. Our fundraising plans for the future are:

- We will continue to pursue individual and corporate donations as well as service organization and government grants.
- We have initiated an endowment fund which we hope to grow to at least one million dollars. This will ensure that the services of Maya Devi Hospital will continue into the future.
- Our second annual *Maya's Dream* fundraising event will take place on May 15, 2014.