

## **Partners In Health: Statement of Support**

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*We're grateful for the American Red Cross's support of our efforts in Haiti, where Partners In Health/Zanmi Lasante has worked for nearly three decades. When PIH/ZL and partners embarked on an ambitious campaign to distribute cholera vaccines to more than 100,000 Haitians living in the Artibonite Valley in 2012, a \$1 million grant from the Red Cross provided much-needed funds for purchasing the vaccine and implementing the program. The Red Cross also supported construction of University Hospital in Mirebalais with a \$5.5 million grant; the hospital, which opened in 2013 at a time when Haiti desperately needed skilled professionals, is now a robust teaching hospital training the country's next generation of health workers. Haiti's health sector continues to face many challenges—as it did before the earthquake struck in 2010—and PIH/ZL remains committed to working alongside the Haitian Ministry of Health and other partners to bring high-quality health care to some of the world's poorest and sickest communities.*