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## We are headed to Guyana this month!



Guyana, officially the Co-operative Republic of Guyana, is a country on the northern mainland of South America. It is the only English speaking country in South America, and is culturally considered part of the Anglophone-Caribbean sphere. Guyana is bordered by the Atlantic Ocean to the north, Brazil to the south and southwest, Venezuela to the west, and Suriname to the east. With an area of 215,000 square kilometers, Guyana is the third-smallest sovereign state on mainland South America after Uruguay and Suriname.

## Why Guyana?

There are several reasons why we are considering Guyana as HUB's first international project:

1) Vanderbilt Emergency Medicine Group has a long-standing relationship with the country and has asked for our help in providing much-needed supplies for their main hospital and helping them establish an EMS program: <a href="https://vanderbiltem.com/sections/global-health2/guyana">https://vanderbiltem.com/sections/global-health2/guyana</a>

- 2) This project would be very focused and enable us to partner with an international community close by while we continue to expand our efforts locally.
- 3) It is also an English-speaking country in South America which enables us to send teams easily and less expensively than other parts of the world.

Nancy Dinsmore, one of our very experienced board members, and I will be visiting Guyana January 12-19 to meet with hospital administrators and government leaders to learn more about their healthcare strategic goals, community needs, and available resources. We will report back to the board in our January meeting to determine our next steps and project plan.

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