

Volunteer Healthcare Corps Tanzania

Fighting HIV/AIDS ... One Person at a Time

The Volunteer Healthcare Corps (VHC) is an initiative of the HIV/AIDS Twinning Center that provides highly qualified professionals with the opportunity to work on the front lines of the global war against HIV/AIDS.

The VHC's program in Tanzania — the Tanzania Preceptor's Initiative — is supported by the US President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief (PEPFAR) through the US Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Tanzania.

Volunteer assignments in Tanzania primarily focus on scaling up treatment and support services for people living with HIV or AIDS by providing technical assistance to strengthen the clinical skills of nurses, physicians, and laboratory technicians. In addition, local institutions have requested the assistance of volunteers skilled in clinical pharmacy, quality assurance, community health and program management, adherence counseling, and information technology.

Most assignments range from three months to two years in duration. The Twinning Center provides each volunteer with coach airfare, safe housing, vaccination expenses, visa and work permits, medical evacuation insurance, a living allowance, and, in some cases, local transportation from port of entry to the placement site.

As of May 2009, the Twinning Center has placed 14 volunteers in Tanzania and is currently recruiting HIV/AIDS physicians and nurses, lab specialists, clinical pharmacists, and other allied professionals.

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