

Nicaragua Eye Mission 2008



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Jinotega, Nicaragua is a city in the north central region of Nicaragua, Central America. A five hour drive from the capital city of Managua, Jinotega is home to coffee growers. As well, many people who live there survived what was considered by some to be the most severely war torn part of Nicaragua during the civil war.

Hospital Victoria Motta in Jinotega was the hosting facility for a small team travelling to perform pediatric eye surgery and work with local ophthalmologists.

Throughout the 10 days of the mission trip, pediatric and adult eye cases were seen, evaluated and many operated on to improve vision. Most commonly,

strabismus surgery in which a person can not align both eyes together. One or both of the eyes may turn in, out, up or down resulting in "crossed eyes" or "wall eyes" in some cases.

Because of the type of work that must be done to fix these cases, general anesthesia is required to allow the delicate surgical procedure in which the medical team must carefully assess, plan and treat the patient in order to achieve a good outcome. The International Eye Institute Team consisted of surgeon Dr. Justin StormoGipson, Anesthesia MD's Dr. Ed Riley and Dr. Eddie Kim, Pediatrician Dr. Maj StormoGipson and Surgical RN's Mary Sibulsky and Eileen Reid.



International Eye Institute Team with local doctors, staff and area public health coordinator from Nicaragua.

Working in Nicaragua



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