Since Project HOPE was founded in 1958, we have been unyielding in our dedication to develop essential health services for vulnerable populations across the globe. HOPE began with 61 volunteers raising their hands to be a part of a medical mission. Sixty years later, we have transformed into a global network of staff, partners, and volunteers on a mission to increase local capacity and access to health care services for communities in need.

While the global health landscape has changed, the spirit and compassion of those original volunteers endures. HOPE continues to drive innovation by empowering health care workers to deliver expert care when and where it’s needed. Our global staff, technical experts, and medical volunteer teams work side-by-side with local partners to improve the knowledge and skills of the health workforce and build sustainable health systems that help save lives – every day and in times of crisis.

As an international nonprofit organization with programs in nearly 30 countries, we address today’s greatest health care challenges, including infectious and chronic diseases, disaster and health crises, and maternal, neonatal and child health. Project HOPE also publishes Health Affairs, the leading journal of health policy thought and research. In 2017, Health Affairs reached 367,000 journal readers monthly, addressing issues of current concern both domestically and internationally.

The highlights that follow offer snapshots of the vital role we all play in delivering HOPE to those who need it most.

**A Legacy of Sustainable Impact in Global Health**

Our impact in 2017:

- Reached nearly 2.3 million people with lifesaving health programs
- Partnered with local organizations to train 36,406 health care workers in 2017 – with more than 210,000 in the past five years
- Delivered $45.1 million of donated medical supplies, equipment and medicines to areas of greatest need
In 2017, HOPE contributed to ending preventable deaths of mothers, newborns, and young children in Africa, Southeast Asia, Latin America, and Central Europe.

- In Sierra Leone, HOPE volunteers introduced life-saving Kangaroo Mother Care for premature newborns in the Bo District and at the national level.
- In the Dominican Republic, there was a 19% decrease in newborn infection rates at the San Lorenzo de Los Mina Maternity Hospital following HOPE support.

In 2017, Project HOPE helped reduce premature mortality due to diabetes, hypertension, and lung diseases in South Africa, India, China, and Honduras.

- Nearly 70% of hypertension and diabetes patients in a Project HOPE clinic in South Africa have achieved control of their chronic disease.
- In China, 76% of patients have achieved control of their asthma in HOPE-supported health facilities.

Our emergency response strategy supports local health systems with emergency medical teams and needed medical supplies. We also leave something more lasting behind, such as a cholera treatment center in Haiti and an improved diabetes program in Puerto Rico.

In 2017, Project HOPE helped countries respond to global health emergencies by:

- Deploying 133 highly skilled volunteers to provide care, education, and support.
- Providing nearly $10.5 million worth of medicines and supplies, including insulin and water purification kits.

Despite much progress, Tuberculosis (TB) and HIV still threaten the lives of millions. HOPE’s approach to these infectious diseases focuses on strengthening local health systems in sustainable ways.

- More than 75% of high risk patients completed referrals for HIV/AIDS related services and support in Malawi.
- In Tajikistan, nearly 98% of people diagnosed with drug-resistant TB were started on TB treatment.

Every day, 830 women die from pregnancy and childbirth complications and 7,000 newborns die from largely preventable causes.
Our Mission
We enable health workers to have the greatest possible impact on the health of the people they serve.

Our Vision
A world where everyone has the health care needed to reach life’s full potential.

Where We Work
In 2017, Project HOPE worked in nearly 30 countries to help address today’s most pressing global health challenges. Our teams improved the skills and knowledge of local doctors, nurses, midwives, and community health workers -- so they in turn could provide quality health care services to children and families in need and help save lives.