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Ethiopia Hosts Reviews of Center River Blindness, Trachoma Programs

River Blindness Sustainability Trial Ends

The Center River Blindness program evaluated its impact in a sustainability trial when five review held in Addis Ababa Ethiopia, and the Center assisted in providing nearly 100,000 free trachoma treatment activities. The review also reviewed health education

activities in Nigeria, Ghana and Cameroon, and found that all activities provided better treatment than when they were needed. The Center, in collaboration with the International Community Child Health Association, provided training and health education activities to facilitate treatment. The review also reviewed the impact of the Center's activities in the

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Field Trip, Prevalence Survey Results Highlight Trachoma Control Meeting

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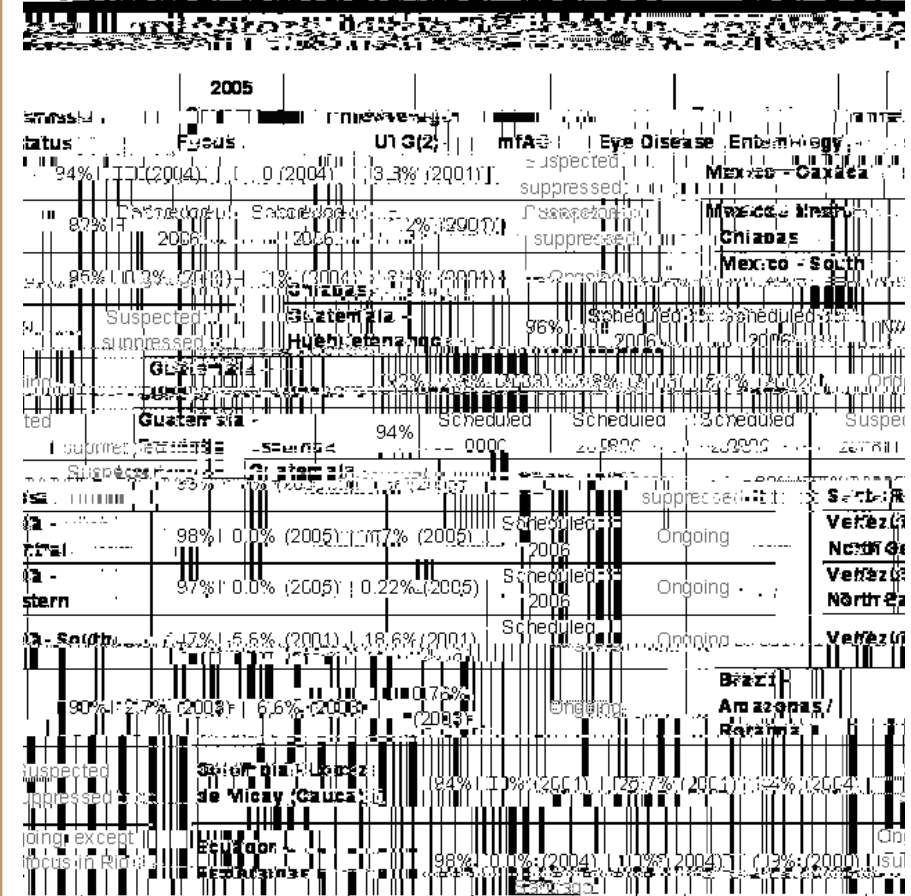
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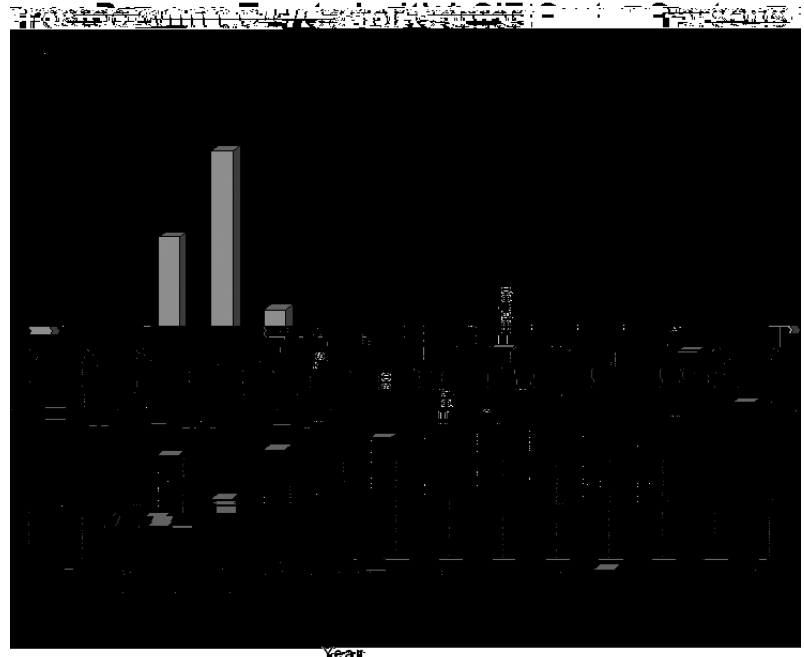
SightFirst Support Ends in Southern Sudan's W. Equatoria as New Government Assumes Control

At the request of the new government, the Center for SightFirst Initiative has successfully terminated its technical support for onchocerciasis control and Mectizan distribution in the state of West Equatoria in southern Sudan. Announced by Alessandra Bellarini, director general, the Secretariat of Health at the Center for SightFirst Initiative, a review in Atlanta in March 2005 by the government officials and the new government development organization, National Distribution of Health Services, confirmed that the new government health

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According to the Center for SightFirst Initiative, a total of 87,298 people had been treated that year over the past year, the Center for

Figure 3



*2005 treatments through June 2005 when support ended

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after 87,298 people had
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Trachoma

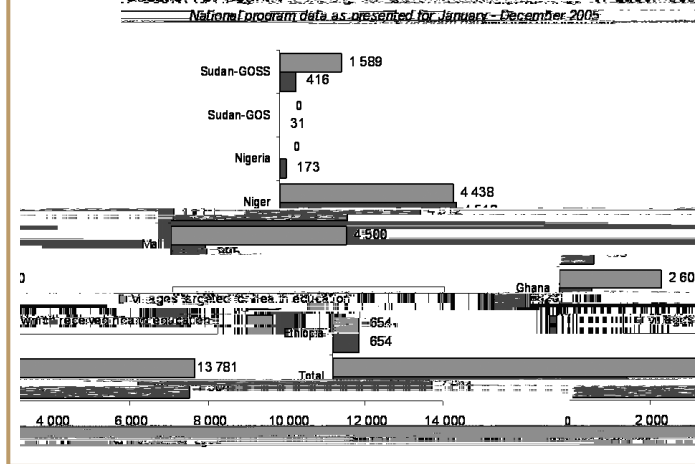
Trachoma Program Review

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also presented a new trachoma strategy, an annual *Implementing the SAFE Strategy: A Toolbox of Interventions*. More than 100 participants attended in the review, representing the seven Centers, 10 countries, the international Trachoma Initiative, 10 countries, the program, and partner the in CL, international and national, and partner the Conrad N. Hilton Foundation and a national attend.

Representative participants from general and national level are represented in the review, and their time this year highlighted their experience in trachoma and learning learned together in countries, in addition the last year, the review allowed to see the

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Ethiopian Ministry of Health trachoma control program. The review highlighted the importance of collaboration with partner organizations and local representatives, and the international Trachoma Initiative, in CL, international and national level → in international Helen Keller, international Christian

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2005 Highlights by Country

Ghana

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Health Center, latrine construction, health education, and targeted

Ethiopia

special representative in the area of distribution latrine experience

Table 3

Summary of Trachoma Control Interventions

	Ghana	Mali	Niger	Sudan GOS ¹	Sudan GOSS ²	Ethiopia	Nigeria	Totals	
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villages with hygiene education	923	805	4,512	31	120	654	173	7,517	Number of
34.7%	19.9%	101.7%	26.2%	100.0%	64.5%				Percent coverage
2,199	1,156	4,775	5,958	178,100					Number of household latrines constructed
28.0%	17.0%	24.0%	24.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	20.0%	30.0%	Percent coverage
Antibiotics									
Azithromycin	1,136,950	1,136,950	1,136,950	1,136,950	1,136,950	1,136,950	1,136,950	1,136,950	Number of treatments
91.7%	93.7%	17.7%	34.2%	64.7%	22.6%	77.5%			Percent coverage
53									Tetracycline
184,894									Number of treatments
Surgery									
6,260	113,639	143,520	2005 Target	1,500	10,511	7,560	2,050		Number of surgeries

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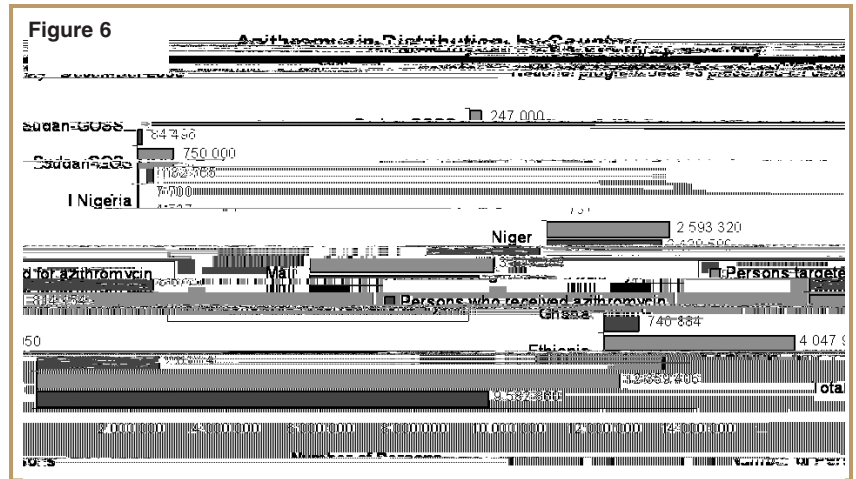
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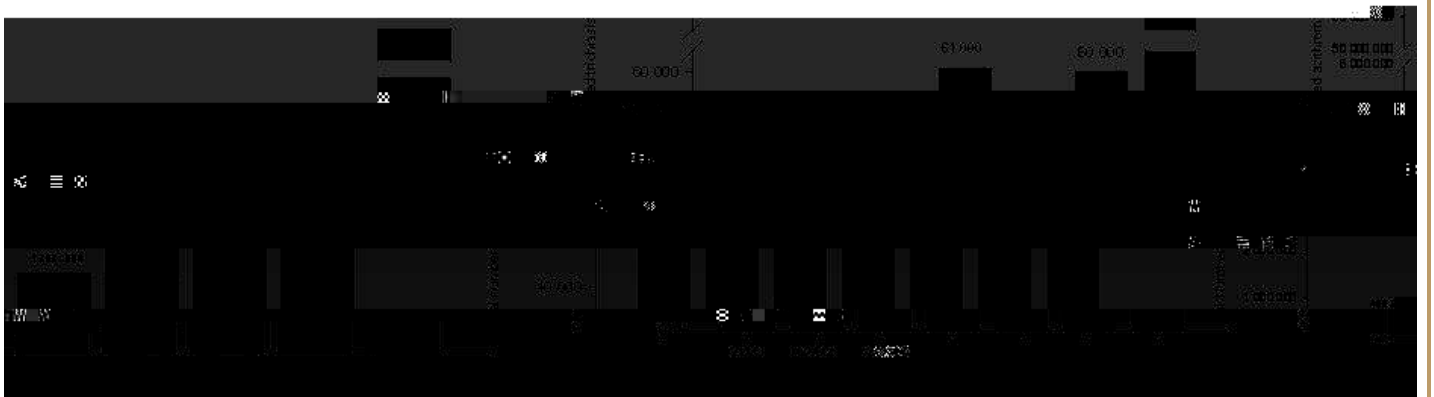
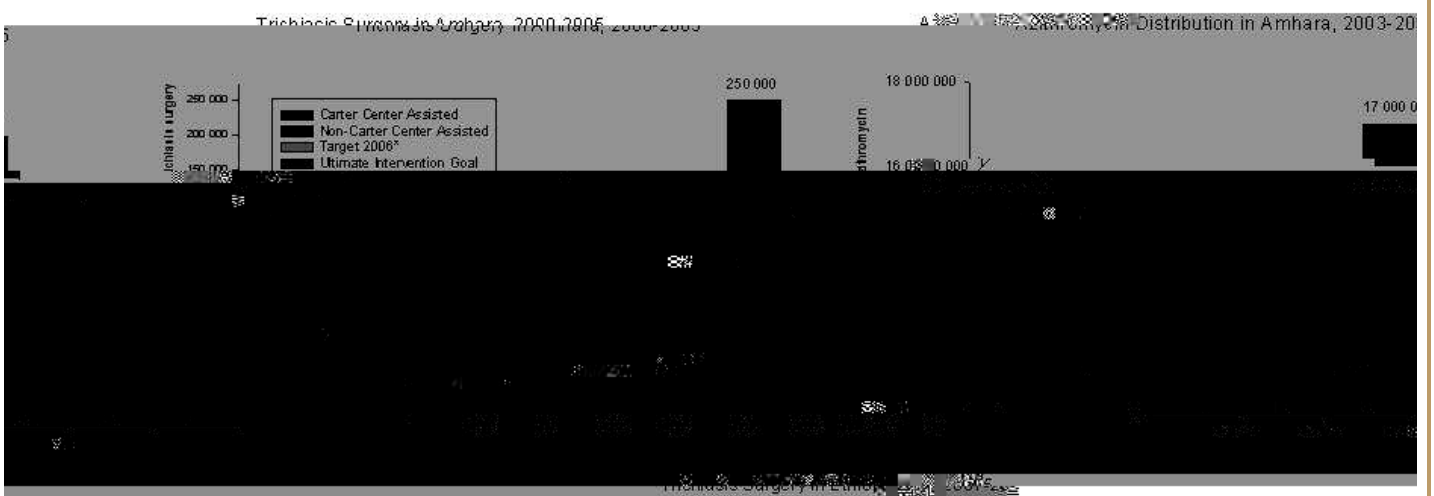
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Figure 7 Surgery and Antibiotic Intervention in Ethiopia: Center-Assisted and non-Center-Assisted



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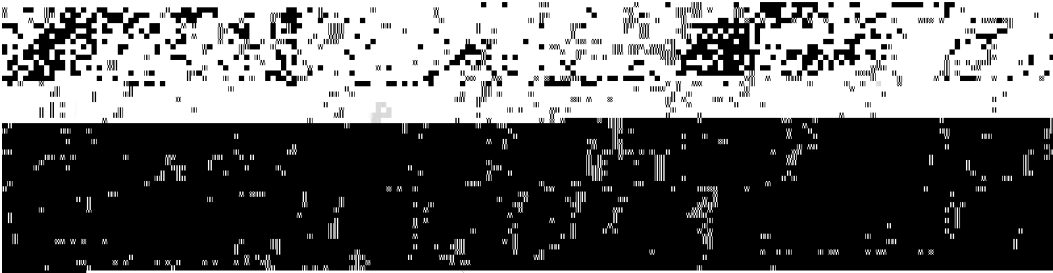
Mali Lions Support Latrine Construction, Education



With support from the Lion Club in Mali, the living conditions in are improved with the construction of latrine and health education training. Thank you to all the members...

Latrine construction and health education volunteer training with the support of the Mali Tra h... a Center for rural education that at least half the...

activities are being implemented, the A E trade... environmental improvement... the National health medicine and...



From left to right: Lion Haby Traore, Paul Emerson (Center, Atlanta), Lion Boubacar Diarra, Lion Habibatu Tall, Lisa Rotondo (Center, Atlanta), Yaya Kamissoko (Center, Mali)

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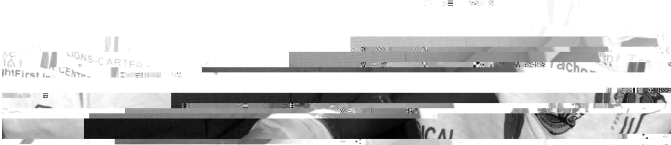
Series on the Human Face of the Trachoma Control Program

Trichiasis Surgeon in Ethiopia Awarded for Exceptional Work

In Ethiopia, a team of health workers from the Center for Trachoma Control, the SightFirst Initiative, health workers from several countries visited Ethiopia. A health worker in the health center in Hulet Eteberie health district reported that in the past few years, the number of people with trichiasis has increased significantly. The health center in Hulet Eteberie health district reported that in the past few years, the number of people with trichiasis has increased significantly.

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Mahlet Baynesagne Miheretu operates on an Ethiopian woman with trichiasis.

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This is the third in a series of articles that show the human face of the Center Trachoma Control Program. The comments of the individuals are not reproduced word for word but reflect the spirit of our conversations with people in the field. The authors try to be faithful to the context, content, and tone of the people depicted. Lions/ Center SightFirst Initiative trachoma activities in Ethiopia are supported through the Lions Clubs International Foundation and by local Lions Clubs of Ethiopia.

Global Health News

Richards Wins Ashford Medal

Dr. Frank Richards, Executive Director, the River Blindness Program at The Carter Center has been awarded the Bailey K. Ashford Medal in recognition of his distinguished contributions in tropical medicine. The medal is presented at the annual meeting, the American Society of Tropical Medicine and Hygiene in November, which is held in Washington, D.C. Dr. Richards is an associate executive director at The

Carter Center in Washington, D.C. The entire Center is proud of Dr. Richards having received this well-deserved award, and Dr. Richards is a true representative of the Center's mission to achieve global health equity.

Right: Dr. Frank Richards, with his mother, Mrs. Ruth Richards, displays the Bailey K. Ashford Medal, awarded to him in recognition of his work in tropical medicine.



This is a great day for the Carter Center and for the global health community.

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