



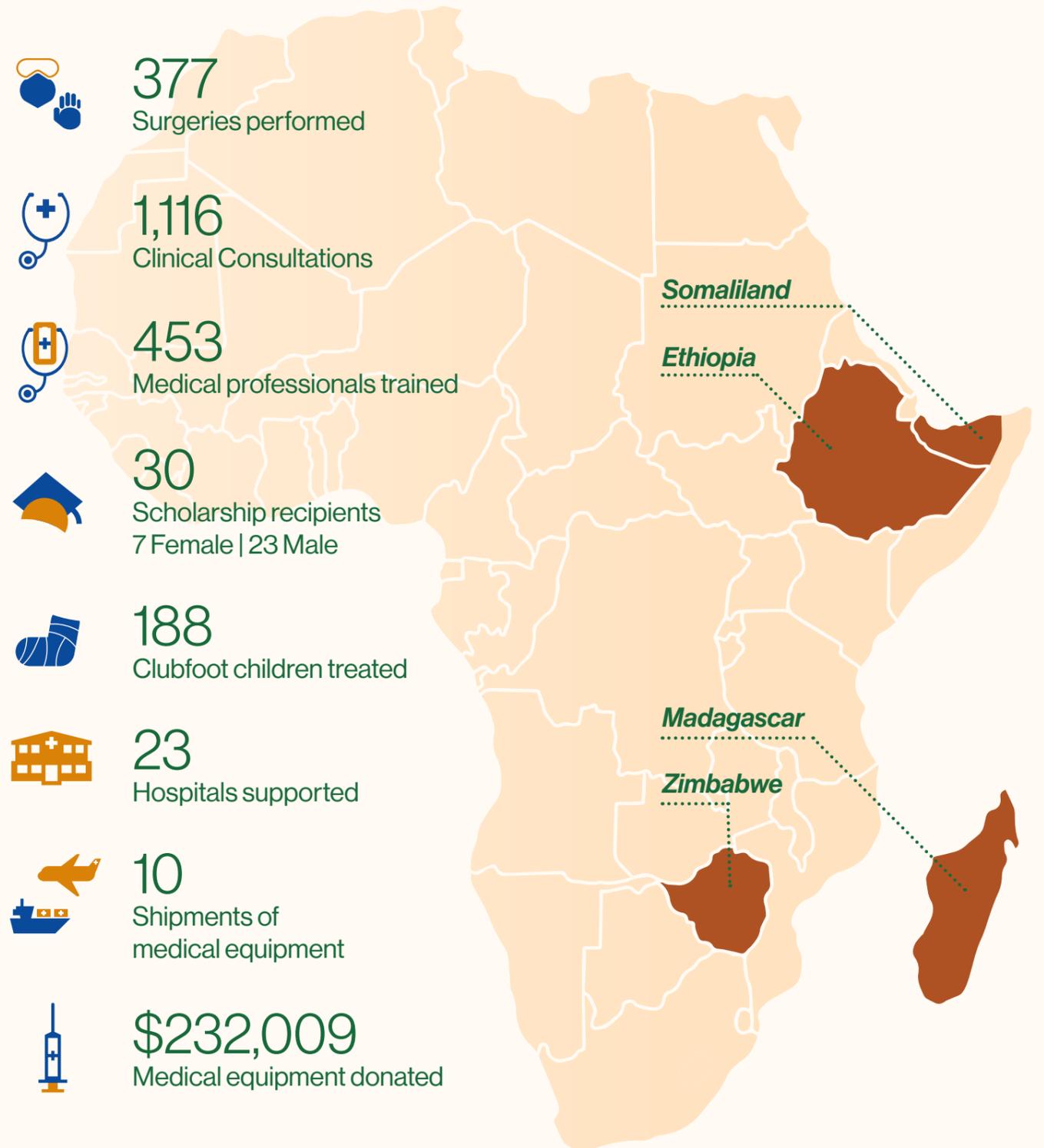
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Our Impact



Message From Our Founder & CEO

2025 marks 20 years of continuous activity by Australian Doctors for Africa.

The first visit was in February 2005, following the Boxing Day tsunami of 2004. A team of surgeons, emergency physicians and a nurse triaged and treated many patients in Bosaso, Puntland, Somalia.

Over time, and because of pirate activity based in Puntland, the teams moved to Hargeisa, the capital of self-declared, semi-autonomous Somaliland. With no security incidents encountered by ADFA in the last 18 years, we have been able to play a significant role in the development of orthopaedic and traumatology capacity in Somaliland.

From no specialised orthopaedic surgeons, the Hargeisa Group Hospital has a functioning Department of Orthopaedics and Traumatology and five consultants (with two more returning from specialty training in Ethiopia) and four orthopaedic trainees. Recently the second meeting of the Somaliland Orthopaedic Society was conducted. Tremendous progress by the Somalilanders.

Similar things have happened in Madagascar with Gastroenterology, Urology and ENT specialities following the first ADFA visit in December 2005.

And in Ethiopia, after the first ADFA visit in August 2006, orthopaedics and traumatology have made tremendous progress. From a Department of four surgeons at the Black Lion Hospital, there are now seven residency programs throughout the country. The orthopaedic training workshops, run in conjunction with the Ethiopian Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology and AO Alliance, now have 120 junior doctors each year!

Clubfoot remains a cornerstone of Australian Doctors for Africa's screening and treatment efforts in Madagascar and Somaliland.

Recent efforts in Zimbabwe and South Sudan have seen the geographic coverage increase in line with our Strategic Plan.

It is a paradox that in turbulent and troubled times, while donor attention may be elsewhere, the need for ADFA's development activities becomes even greater. Developing medical and surgical services by training and equipping overseas specialists is a realistic way of engaging positively and expressing our humanity. All the more important in the face of negativity and inhumanity in other quarters.

I thank the highly credentialled and dedicated Board members and equally committed staff members in the Perth and Madagascar offices for a year of hard work and achievements.



Dr Graham Forward

Message From The Chair

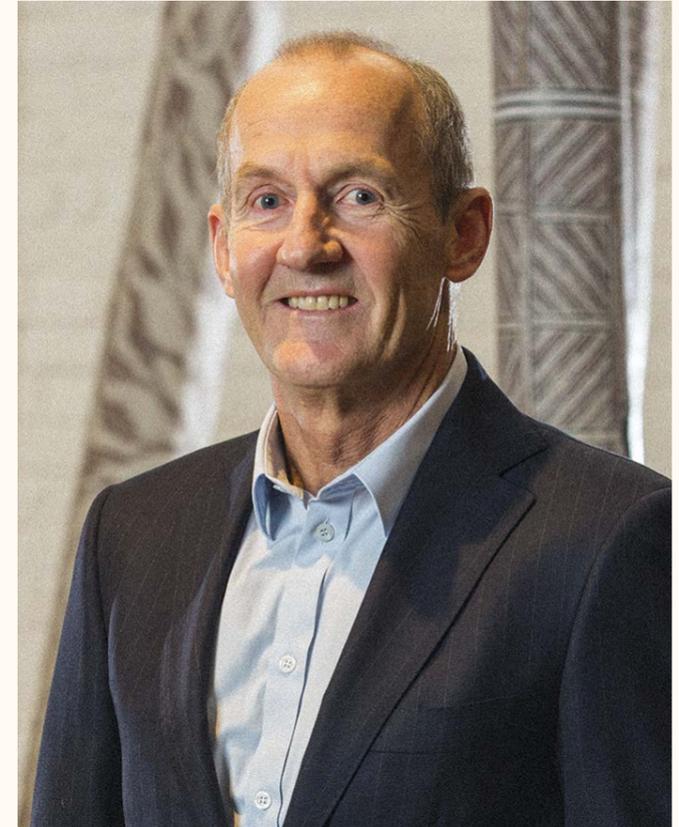
2025 was a seminal year for ADFA in terms of its recognition. After an enormous amount of work by our small administration team, ADFA managed to achieve Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade Base accreditation status. We reluctantly gave up this status a few years ago due to the overwhelming requirements of the Department to promote policy agendas and reporting. This was well beyond the capabilities of our small organisation at that time.

In the intervening period, both through a streamlining of departmental requirements and improved systems in our operation, we were invited to resubmit by DFAT. This is significant for two reasons. Firstly, as mentioned there is a rigorous and demanding application process where all of ADFA's work and operations are closely scrutinised by DFAT. There is a large volume of documentation which is required to be submitted to obtain approval and the process culminates with a three day in person discussion with representatives of DFAT who travel from Canberra for this purpose. Both staff and board members are interviewed to determine eligibility and to establish that our systems are appropriate for our activities in Africa. After more than six months of work and interviews, ADFA became the only West Australian charity to achieve DFAT accreditation status once again.

Importantly, we were able to do this without distracting from our usual activities. In this respect special thanks must go to Claire Manera who came to us with an incredible background in the not for profit sector and was able to steer our application smoothly through the department process. Claire has now moved on to her next challenge in Africa and we wish her well. We must also acknowledge our administration team for achieving this recognition.

Secondly, approval opens the way for an annual grant of \$277,000 for 5 years from the government to support our activities in Africa. This is a significant sum for our small operation and enables us to continue to extend the activities in our designated countries. Apart from our usual activities, including trips by doctors and nurses to hospitals in Africa, sending container loads of medical equipment and of course training of both nurses and doctors and awarding of scholarships to local doctors, we have also embarked on some further work at a number of hospitals to improve and upgrade operating theatres, in particular, to provide a sterile environment and up-to-date equipment. This translates directly to a far better outcome for their patients.

As always, we continue to use our income from donors and grants with maximum efficiency and this is demonstrated by statistics in this report covering the number of operations, consultations, equipment sent, and doctors and nurses trained by us over the past 12 months. Surprisingly to me, we have been able to attract staff and volunteers who have had significant international aid experience with large organisations and that



John Bond

experience is invaluable to us. The generosity of the individuals to effectively step down to a small organisation like ours cannot be over emphasised.

I would like to pay special thanks to Graham Forward our founder and Dawn Edwards our administrator for their continuing enthusiasm and leadership.

Overview & Strategic Priorities

Mission:

To develop healthier environments and to build capacity through the provision of voluntary medical assistance; training and teaching doctors, nurses and allied health workers; and improving infrastructure and providing medical equipment for specialist surgical and medical services.

Background

Established in 2005, Australian Doctors for Africa (ADFA) is a volunteer medical organisation that provides surgical services and training, hospital equipment and infrastructure development, to support long term sustainable healthcare in East Africa. Our aim is "train and equip" to enable greater access to quality surgical care for vulnerable communities in East Africa.

ADFA is a not-for-profit organisation with no political or religious affiliations, based in Perth, Western Australia.

ADFA respects, protects and promotes human rights for all, regardless of race, religion, ethnicity, indigeneity, disability, age or gender.

ADFA currently works in **Madagascar, Ethiopia, Somaliland and Zimbabwe**, where we have established strong collaborations and stakeholder networks with Ministries, government departments, medical facilities, other non-government organisations and the wider community.

Our Approach

Medical Service Provision

– by volunteer medical teams in the specialist areas of orthopaedics, clubfoot, gastroenterology, urology, ENT, paediatric surgery, and obstetrics/gynaecology.

Skills Transfer and Training

– through formal, on the job, on-line, and other training opportunities including scholarships.

Infrastructure Development and Equipment

– through construction or renovation of existing infrastructure, and provision of medical equipment and supplies.

Advanced Development – through prevention activities such as clubfoot screening and treatment programs, building partnerships, and supporting strategic and policy development.

Medical Service

Skills Transfer & Training

Infrastructure Development & Equipment

Advanced Development

Strategic Priorities

ADFA is guided by a 5-year Strategic Plan adopted by the Board in May 2023, after a consultative process involving many of ADFA's stakeholders. A copy of ADFA's Strategic Plan can be found on our website:

<https://ausdocafrica.org/who-we-are/strategic-plan/>.

Volunteer Medical Assignments

Madagascar: 7 - 21 Jul 2024

Urology Team

Dr Richard McMullin, Urologist
Dr Bernardita Troncoso Solar, Paediatric Urologist
Dr Melvyn Kuan, Urologist
Dr Josh Telles, Anaesthetist
Rhiannon Lang, Theatre Nurse

Madagascar: 21 Jul - 4 Aug 2024

Orthopaedics Team

Dr Li-On Lam, Orthopaedic Surgeon
Lucy Harris, Theatre Nurse
Cherrie Genat, Logistics
Dr Georgina Waters, Orthopaedic Registrar

Ethiopia/Somaliland: 9 - 25 Aug 2024

Orthopaedics Training & Scoping

Dr Graham Forward, ADFA CEO & Orthopaedic Surgeon
Claire Manera, Program Coordinator
Paul Tye, Logistics

Ethiopia: 10 - 22 Aug 2024

Orthopaedics Training Team

Dr Tony Jeffries, Orthopaedic Surgeon
Stephanie MacDonald, Registered Nurse
Lidiya Samuel Abussie, Ethiopian Nurse Trainer

Ethiopia: 15 - 25 Aug 2024

Orthopaedics Training

Dr Michael Wren, Orthopaedic Surgeon

Somaliland: 16 - 22 Aug 2024

Ethiopian Orthopaedics Campaign

Dr Elias Ibrahim, Orthopaedic Surgeon
Dr Biniyam Addisu, Orthopaedic Surgeon
Dr Eskinder Tadesse, Orthopaedic Surgeon
Dr Chalie Getu, Orthopaedic Surgeon

Madagascar: 29 Sep - 13 Oct 2024

Gastroenterology Team

Dr Digby Cullen, Gastroenterologist
Bianca Meyer, Registered Nurse
Leah Willey, Registered Nurse
Dr David Hilmers, Hepatologist
Dr Alice Lee, Gastroenterologist
Sue Huntley, Logistics

Madagascar: 4 - 20 Oct 2024

Urology & Orthopaedics

Dr Lydia Johns Putra, Urologist
Dr Shaun English, Orthopaedic Surgeon
Dr Doug Paxton, Anaesthetist
Nick Veldhuis, Theatre Nurse

Zimbabwe: 19 - 31 Jan 2025

Orthopaedics Team

Dr Taro Okamoto, Orthopaedic Surgeon
Keith Atkinson, Logistics & Governance

Ethiopia: 31 Jan - 15 Feb 2025

Nurse Training Program

Amy Staples, Clinical Nurse Consultant
Kelly Lee, Registered Nurse
Eyerusalem Amanu Legesse, Ethiopian Nurse Trainer
Wondimagegn Tilahun, Ethiopian Nurse Trainer



Urology Team, Madagascar, June 2025

Zimbabwe: 10 - 12 Feb 2025

Musculoskeletal Tumour Course

Prof David Wood, Orthopaedic Surgeon
Jane Wood, Logistics

Madagascar: 23 Feb - 9 Mar 2025

ENT Team

Dr Latif Kadhim, ENT Surgeon
Dr Peter Baumgartner, Anaesthetist
Marika Brandtberg, Theatre Nurse
Alison Cook, Audiologist

Somaliland: 24 Apr - 8 May 2025

Midwifery & Nurse Training

Judy Thompson, Midwife/Nurse

Madagascar: 27 Apr - 11 May 2025

Gastroenterology Team

Dr Digby Cullen, Gastroenterologist
Jacqueline Crock, Registered Nurse
Leah Willey, Registered Nurse

Madagascar: 11 - 25 May 2025

Paediatric Surgery & Urology Team

Dr Bernardita Troncoso Solar, Paediatric Surgeon and Urologist
Dr Nathalie Webb, Urologist and Paediatric Urologist
Dr Josh Telles, Anaesthetist
Ella Nicholas, Theatre Nurse

Madagascar: 8 - 22 Jun 2025

Urology Team

Dr Melvyn Kuan, Urologist
Dr Michael Wines, Urologist
Karen Grieves, Theatre Nurse
Renee Heimgartner, Theatre Nurse

We sincerely thank our volunteers for their continued support and selfless dedication to our overseas medical assignments program.

McMullin Madagascar Musings

15 years of Volunteer Urology Service Development by Dr Richard McMullin, Volunteer Urologist

In mid-2013, I received an unexpected phone call from Sue Chapman, who had been our Urology trainee in Ballarat way back in 1995. It was an invitation to join her on a medical aid mission in Madagascar in October. Like many doctors, I'd been attracted to the idea of medical aid, but had not made the first step. Sue had already made four visits, starting the program in 2009.

It's hard to prepare for the shock of confrontation when you land in Antananarivo. The sweaty crowds, the bustle, the rattling taxicabs and cattle drawn carts, the pot-holed roads, the dilapidated French colonial buildings and the oppressive summer heat draw you into this poor but mesmerising country.

Our medical base is Toliara, a further hour by plane in the southwest of Madagascar. Flat, dusty and arid, it's hard to imagine a harsher place to eke out a living, yet hundreds of thousands somehow do.

Here we confront sinewy elderly men with urinary catheters and hopeful eyes, many having walked for days from their villages in the countryside, accompanied by loyal wives, sons and daughters. Some have not passed urine for months or years, and ADFA provides their only chance for resuming normal life.

For the team to do this safely and efficiently, much preparation is needed. Sue Chapman explained the infrastructure needed for us to make a difference. Nothing can be taken for granted. We are grateful for Toliara to provide a clinic to see our patients, a room in which to operate and local personnel to translate for us and care for the patients, but everything else comes via ADFA. Even the operating table, the anaesthetic machine and diathermy are second-hand Australian gear.



Dr Richard McMullin, Volunteer Urologist



Dr Richard McMullin (left) & Dr Melvyn Kuan (right), Toliara, July 2024



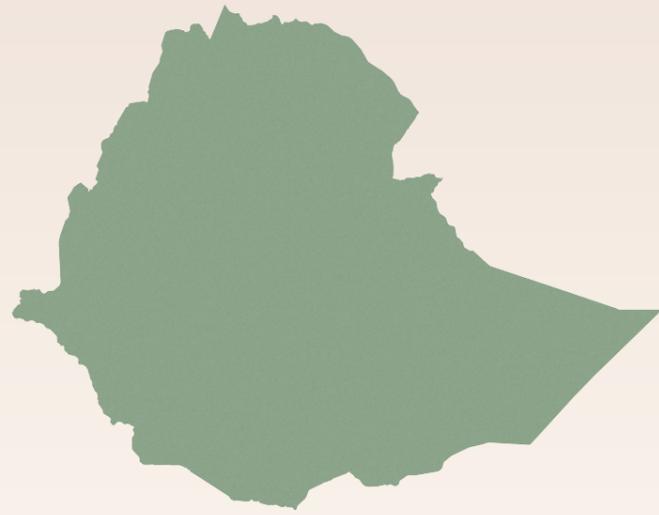
Volunteer Urology team with hospital and ADFA staff, Toliara, July 2024

Prostate operations may not seem the most glamorous or inspiring form of medical aid, but they exemplify the pragmatic nature of effective philanthropy. Mostly the clinical problem is easily identified, requires minimal preoperative work up, is effectively treated with one operation and does not need follow up. There is minimal access to sophisticated pathology and medical imaging and no time for follow up appointments, so we can't diagnose and treat complex cancers or obstructed kidneys.

In the grand medical tradition of "see one, do one", my next visit to Madagascar was without Sue Chapman but all by myself. Not wanting to let the team down, I ensured I was ready for next time, spending months gathering surgical equipment and the never-ending list of single-use items needed for prostate surgery, from syringes to catheters and antiseptics to antibiotics. This was to be the pattern each year, and I also needed to gather a team. Thus, over the years, a whole cohort of medical professionals from Ballarat swelled the ranks of ADFA including at least 8 doctors and 6 nurses. Before long we had recruited Lydia Johns Putra and two of the three annual urology missions to Madagascar originated from Ballarat.

In my early visits I mentioned in passing that I did a little paediatric surgery and was almost at once inundated with small boys with hernias. Thus, I began such operations but soon found the numbers and complexity beyond my capacity. How lucky was I to meet Berni Troncoso, a masterful and delightful paediatric urologist from Chile then completing a fellowship at the Royal Children's Hospital in Melbourne. Berni now flies in from Santiago each year and has further recruited a Melbourne colleague to consolidate a dedicated paediatric program. Treating hernias satisfies the pragmatic principles of medical aid: the clinical diagnosis is straightforward, the treatment effective and the benefits enormous.

After nine visits to Madagascar, I've now retired, having benefited from fascinating medical and cultural experiences and having worked with wonderful people, both from the pool of fabulous ADFA volunteers and those beautiful Malagasy workers who make it possible on the ground.



Ethiopia

Population 135 million

Australian Doctors for Africa continues to support orthopaedic departments in Ethiopian hospitals with improvements in surgical skills and equipment. It is rewarding to see the number of orthopaedic residents increasing, and more orthopaedic residency programs throughout the country.



ADFA team meeting with Dr Biruk Wamisho, Black Lion Hospital, August 2024

Monitoring and Evaluation

Dr Graham Forward, ADFA CEO, Claire Manera, Program Coordinator, and Paul Tye, Logistics, travelled to Ethiopia in August 2024. The team met with the Minister of Health, visited 6 hospitals supported by ADFA, and completed governance and safeguarding requirements with ADFA consultants. As part of program evaluation, the team met with Dr Biruk Wamisho, Chair of the Black Lion Orthopaedic Department, the orthopaedic team and other key stakeholders to plan the future strategy. It was proposed that ADFA focus on bringing additional hospitals up to mid-level basic orthopaedic functioning, with a few hospitals targeted with specialty equipment.

The monitoring process continued when Dr Graham Forward visited the Ayder Comprehensive and Specialized Hospital in Mekelle, in northern Ethiopia, accompanied by HE Julia Niblett, Australian Ambassador to Ethiopia. ADFA previously provided a sea container of equipment and orthopaedic implants to the hospital, which are being utilised to improve patient care.

Skills Transfer and Training

Dr Michael Wren and Dr Graham Forward joined the international faculty team for the Pre-basic and Basic Orthopaedic Training Courses in Addis Ababa in August 2024, which are run in partnership with AO Alliance. A total of 122 participants attended the courses held over 9 days, including 6 doctors supported by ADFA from Zimbabwe, Madagascar and Somaliland.

Dr Tony Jeffries, Orthopaedic Surgeon, and Stephanie MacDonald, Registered Nurse, travelled to Addis Ababa in August 2024 and presented a number of training seminars to orthopaedic staff at three hospitals. After a request from several Ethiopian surgeons earlier in the year, Tony presented an Open Techniques for Management of Recurrent Shoulder Dislocation Course at the Black Lion Hospital to 27 surgeons



Attendees at the Orthopaedic Training Course, Addis Ababa, August 2024

and residents. Tony completed 50 clinic consultations and provided hands on training during 4 major surgeries. Stephanie was assisted by local training consultant, Lidiya Samuel Abussie, while presenting Peri-operative Nurse Training and an Infection Prevention and Control seminar to resident doctors.

In February 2025, Australian volunteer nurses, Amy Staples and Kelly Lee, were joined by local nurse trainers, Eyerusalem Amanu and Wondimagegn Tilahun to present wound care and infection control training at the Ayder Hospital in Mekelle and at St Peters' Hospital in Addis Ababa. A total of 76 nurses attended the 10 days of training which included classroom lectures and demonstrations, hands on training during operations, ward rounds and patient reviews. This in-service training improves infection control and wound care in the OR and is a key support for operative orthopaedics.

“The (training) sessions were highly beneficial, equipping our nurses with essential skills that will enhance patient care at Ayder Hospital. We truly appreciate the support and collaboration from Australian Doctors for Africa.”

Dr. Kaysay G/Aregawi, Orthopaedics & Trauma Surgeon, Ayder Comprehensive & Specialized Hospital

Dr Ananya Kassahun, ADFA Project Consultant Ethiopia, managed another successful Female Orthopedic Empowerment Program. The program aims to give guidance and create an empowering environment for junior female doctors and medical students, to realize their career development in Orthopedic surgery. 17 mentees took part in webinars and on-line training lectures about leadership, resilience and research, run over a 6 month period.

Three Fellowships were awarded during the year to experienced orthopaedic surgeons for sub-specialty training in India and Egypt for 12 months. (See page 19 for further information about Fellowships.)



Nurse Training at Ayder Hospital, Mekelle, February 2025

Medical Equipment

In collaboration with PhysioNet UK, Australian Doctors for Africa provided a 40 ft sea container of donated physiotherapy equipment for the Trauma Centre at Dil Chora Hospital, in Dire Dawa, packed in England by the PhysioNet team. 785 pieces of vital equipment, including support rails, therapy stairs, weights, walking aids, wheelchairs, and exercise equipment arrived in March 2025. The hospital expressed its need for this equipment during a scoping study visit by the CEO in September 2023.

“On behalf of the Trauma Centre, I sincerely thank you for your generous donation of physiotherapy equipment and your support in training medical professionals. Your efforts have greatly strengthened our services and given hope to many patients. We are deeply grateful and look forward to continued collaboration.”

Dr Abdulwasi Jemal, Head of Orthopedic Department, Dil Chora Hospital, Dire Dawa

During the year, orthopaedic shoulder implants and instruments from India were donated to the Black Lion Hospital. Another shipment of external fixators was provided to the Ayder Hospital, to continue the good work of Dr Kidane Teka, following his ADFA supported bone transport training in Switzerland in October 2023.

Acknowledgements

ADFA acknowledges the support received from the Ambassador and staff at the Australian Embassy in Addis Ababa, and donated flights from The Emirates Airline Foundation.



Madagascar

Population 32.9 million

Australian Doctors for Africa first visited Madagascar in November 2005, and support from voluntary medical teams continues to improve surgical skills and equipment. During this financial year, the Madagascan Department of Foreign Affairs renewed ADFA's international NGO registration for a further two years to March 2027, and the Partnership Agreement with the Madagascar Ministry of Public Health was renewed for three years to November 2027. ADFA supports eight hospitals around the country and individual Agreements are signed with each hospital.

Medical Services and Training

During the 2024/25 year, 32 medical volunteers travelled to Madagascar, as part of nine surgical teams:

- Four Urology teams led Dr Richard McMullin, Dr Lydia Johns Putra, Dr Melvyn Kuan and Dr Bernardita Troncoso Solar;
- Two Gastroenterology teams led by Dr Digby Cullen;
- Two Orthopaedic teams led by Dr Li-On Lam and Dr Shaun English; and an
- ENT team led by Dr Latif Kadhim.

These specialists were accompanied by experienced nurses and anaesthetists, and the teams provided a total of 829 patient consultations, 325 surgeries; and training to 161 medical professionals.

Of particular note this year was the first ADFA team to visit Madagascar dedicated to carrying out paediatric urology and surgery. The team was led by Urologist/Paediatric Urologist, Dr Bernardita Troncoso Solar from Chile, who was joined by Dr Nathalie Webb, Paediatric Urologist and Dr Josh Telles, Anaesthetist from Victoria; and Ella Nicholas, Theatre Nurse, from Tasmania. Over 9 busy working days, the team completed 70 consultations and 57 surgical procedures on 47 children (36 boys, 11 girls), mainly congenital hernia repairs. This is a great addition to the specialties offered in our overseas medical assignments program.



ENT Surgical Training, Toliara, March 2025

With the aim to build local capacity, all teams provide training to a wide range of medical personnel. ADFA supported five surgeons and registrars to travel from Antananarivo to Toliara for 10 days of intensive hands-on training during clinics, surgeries and ward rounds.

ADFA supported two local doctors to attend ADFA / AO Alliance Pre-basic Orthopaedic Course held in Ethiopia in August 2024.

Clubfoot

ADFA has been providing Clubfoot screening and treatment services in Madagascar since 2014 with clinics located in the grounds of public hospitals in Toliara, Ampanihy and Fianarantsoa. The clinics are managed by Lucile Rasamison, ADFA's Toliara Administration Officer, with well trained local



Lucile treating a new patient at the Toliara Clubfoot Clinic, October 2024

technicians and oversight, mentoring and training provided by Perth Orthopedic Surgeon, Dr Kate Stannage.

112 new patients were screened and treated at the three clinics during the year, and 217 pairs of braces (boots and bars) were fitted and 69 tenotomy operations performed.

Hep B Free Pilot Project

As part of ADFA's Gastroenterology Services in Madagascar, a three-year pilot project has been launched in partnership with Hep B Free and the Madagascar Ministry of Public Health. The project focuses on the prevention of mother-to-child transmission of hepatitis B and is being implemented across three key locations where ADFA has existing strong partnerships in Fianarantsoa, Toamasina, and Antananarivo.

Infrastructure Development and Equipment

The project to build an Endoscopy Treatment and Training Centre in Antananarivo has made great progress this year, following the signing of an Agreement with the Ministry of Health in May 2024. The Working Party, led by Mark Nelson, Jeff Menkens and Dr Digby Cullen, have dedicated much voluntary time to finalise the design package for the new building, and ensure the project is within budget. All government approvals have been obtained and an in-country project manager/architect has been engaged to complete the building design, handle the tender process and provide project oversight.

During the Gastroenterology team visit in October 2024, training and equipment were provided to complete the set up of a new Endoscopy Centre within the CHU Morafeno, the major public hospital in Toamasina, which is Madagascar's main port city.

Outside of the two annual visits, the volunteer Gastroenterology team continues to support six endoscopy units located around the country. Advice and provision of much needed equipment and supplies ensures the units can continue to provide excellent endoscopy services to their regions.



The Gastroenterology team setting up the new Endoscopy Unit at CHU Morafeno, Toamasina, October 2024

During a visit to Toliara in July 2024, ADFA's volunteer Orthopaedic Team in consultation with the Clinique St Luc Hospital Director, identified the need for a new back-up generator and solar hot water systems to improve the power supply and hot water for the operating theatres. A generous donation from the Rotary Club of Attadale supported the total cost of the purchase and installation of these items, which were greatly appreciated by the hospital.

"We have already tested the generator. There was a power cut during the bad weather and the electric generator started in seconds without human action. And when the power came back, it turns off automatically. Wonderful!"

Mr Herizo Rakotomavo, Director, Clinique St Luc.

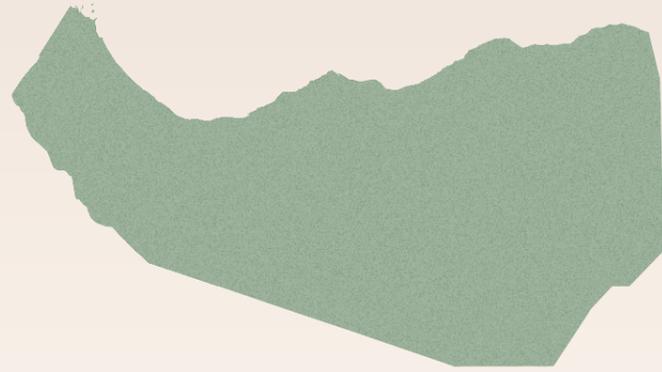
In May 2025, the volunteer Gastroenterology team completed a scoping study with hospital representatives and other stakeholders for a proposed renovation of two operating theatres at CHU Antanambao, the major public and university teaching hospital in Toliara. The team assisted the ADFA office to prepare a scope of work and a project proposal will be presented to the Board for consideration later in the year.

Acknowledgments

Australian Doctors for Africa thanks Mr Hervé Flipo, our Madagascar Country Representative, for his guidance and commitment during the year, and gratitude to the Madagascar staff, especially Hanitra and Lucile, for their dedication and hard work.

Gratitude to the Base Resources Madagascar project **Base Toliara**, and Evion Group subsidiary **BlackEarth Minerals Madagascar** for their continued financial and logistical support.

We are extremely grateful to **St John of God Subiaco Hospital** for medical assignments program grants over many years, to the **Forrest Family** for generously supporting our clubfoot program, and to the **Australian High Commission in Mauritius** for ongoing support.



Somaliland

Population 6.2 million

Australian Doctors for Africa has been working in Somaliland since 2006, with the main focus to improve orthopaedic surgical outcomes, primarily at the Hargeisa Group Hospital. This year support has been extended to two regional hospitals.

In September 2024, ADFA signed a 5 year Agreement with the Ministry of Health and the Ministry of National Planning and Development, which endorses our plans to improve health care for Somaliland communities.

Monitoring and Evaluation

Dr Graham Forward, ADFA CEO, Claire Manera, Program Coordinator, and long time ADFA volunteer, Paul Tye, visited Hargeisa and Burao for six days in August 2024. Support and mentoring continued for the Orthopaedics and Trauma Department at Hargeisa Group Hospital (HGH), including attending clinical team meetings, and discussing the proposed renovation of the operating theatres. Meetings were held with our partners, Taakulo Somali Community and Diversity Action Network, to complete governance and safeguarding requirements.

Recently we were pleased to receive confirmation from the Ministry of Planning and National Development of the registration of the Somaliland Orthopaedic Society, a significant milestone achieved by the Orthopaedic Department at Hargeisa Group Hospital.

Skills Transfer and Training

ADFA supported two local orthopaedic residents to attend the ADFA / AO Alliance Pre-basic Orthopaedic Course held in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in August 2024. The 3-day course introduces the principles of fracture care and provides some of the practical skills required to safely treat fractures.

Dr Elias Ibrahim, Ethiopian Orthopaedic Surgeon, once again led a volunteer Ethiopian team for an orthopaedic surgery and trauma campaign, completing 150 consultations and 32 major surgeries over 4 days at the Hargeisa Group Hospital.



Judy Thompson (right) with Dr Edna Adan Ismail, April 2025

Ten medical personnel received hands-on training during the campaign. Judy Thompson, Midwife/Nurse, volunteered at Edna Adan University Hospital in Hargeisa for two weeks in April 2025. Judy spent long days at the hospital giving hands-on clinical training and in classroom sessions to midwives, nurses and medical students, promoting safe, holistic neonatal and midwifery care. Judy also assisted in the theatre with deliveries, conducted daily rounds in the Neonatal ICU, and donated vital equipment to hospital.

Preparations are well advanced for the presentation of an ADFA 2 day Musculoskeletal Tumour Course led by Prof David Wood in August 2025. This initiative will mark a significant step in advancing skills, knowledge exchange, and sustainable health-care solutions for the treatment of sarcomas (bone cancer) in Somaliland.



ADFA team meeting with Hargeisa Group Hospital management, August 2024

ADFA's scholarship program continues to support the growth of trained medical specialists through specialty training in Ethiopia. In January 2025, scholarships were awarded to four Somaliland doctors to undergo four years of orthopaedic speciality training in-country, at the HGH Orthopaedics Department. (See pages 18-19 for further information about the Scholarship Program.)

Infrastructure Development and Equipment

Our support for Orthopaedic Departments expanded during the year with the signing of agreements with two regional public hospitals in Burao and Borama. Orders of much needed orthopaedic implants and instruments from India were provided to each hospital in May 2025.

“Your support comes at a critical time when resources are scarce, yet the burden of trauma and orthopedic disease in our region is ever growing. Thanks to your dedication and partnership, we are now better equipped to meet that burden.”

Dr Ahmednour Sh. Abdirahman Elmi, Director of Borama Hospital.

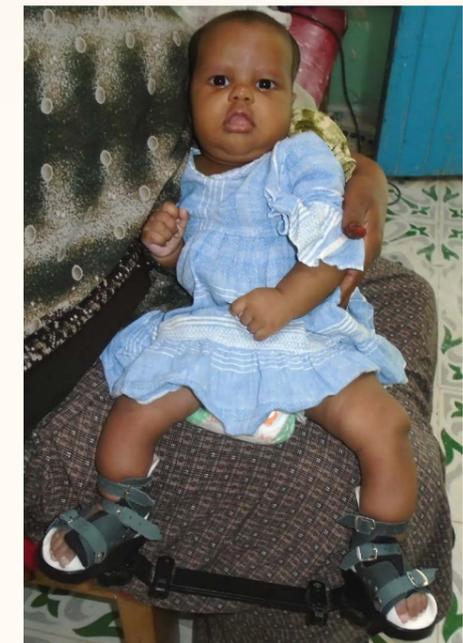
The proposed project to increase surgical capacity at HGH by renovating two old and under-utilised operating theatres progressed well during the August 2024 team visit. Further discussions with the hospital to confirm the scope of work and calling tenders are the next steps to complete a full proposal for presentation to the Board in the second half of 2025.

Clubfoot and Diversity Action Network

For over 10 years, Australian Doctors for Africa has provided financial and mentoring support to Diversity Action Network's (DAN) clubfoot screening and treatment program. DAN operates four clubfoot clinics across Somaliland, including three regional clinics.

During the reporting period, 76 new children were treated at the clinics through the Ponseti method, and 28 surgical tenotomies were performed for the most severe cases.

During his visit August 2024, Dr Graham Forward provided advice on several complex clubfoot cases and clinical mentoring to the Hargeisa clubfoot team.



Clubfoot patient, Diversity Action Network

Taakulo Somali Community

Taakulo Somali Community continued its long partnership with ADFA, providing strong administrative and logistics support for all our programs in Somaliland. This support included clearing and distributing shipments, sourcing equipment, Scholarship Program support, and assisting volunteer medical teams.



Dr Taro Okamoto, Keith Atkinson and the UBH surgical team, January 2025

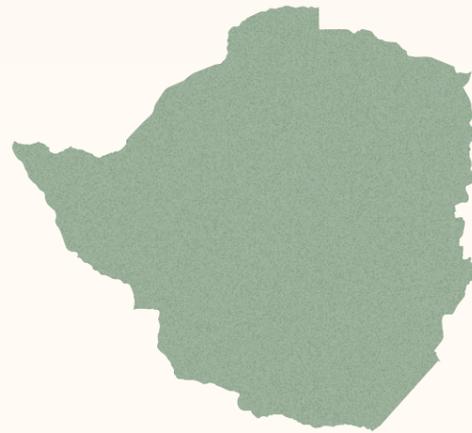
Seveniah's Story

A Clubfoot Treatment Journey



Zimbabwe

Population 16.6 million



To complement the theatre renovation, Australian Doctors for Africa provided a sea container of donated medical equipment, including a much sought after c-arm (x-ray machine), operating table, hospital beds and mattresses, diathermy machines and wheelchairs which arrived in November 2024. A large order of orthopaedic implants and instruments from India was also provided.

Gratitude to the DAK Foundation for donation of a Glostavent anaesthesia machine, suction machines, vital signs monitors and infusion pumps, which really elevated this project. In the six months since the opening of the theatre, over 120 successful operations have been completed.

The hospital advised, "Supplies are a game changer and the C-arm has landed - greatest joy! We are very grateful for the assistance given so far."

Skills Transfer and Training

Two local, junior doctors from UBH were supported with flights, accommodation and expenses to attend the Pre-basic Orthopaedic Course presented by ADFA and AO Alliance in Addis Ababa, Ethiopia in August 2024. The 3-day course aims to introduce the principles of fracture care and develop some of the practical skills required to safely treat fractures.

Dr Taro Okamoto, Orthopaedic Surgeon, and Keith Atkinson, ADFA's volunteer Zimbabwe project coordinator, visited Bulawayo in January 2025. Taro completed 87 consultations and 14 operations, and provided hands on training to 15 surgeons and doctors. Keith assessed the theatre renovation and equipment provided, and discussed other planned activities with UBH management.

ADFA volunteer, Prof David Wood, joined faculty from CURE and the Zimbabwe Orthopaedic Association in presenting a Musculoskeletal Tumour Training Course in Bulawayo in February 2025. 28 orthopaedic surgeons from across Zimbabwe attended the 3-day course.

Australian Doctors for Africa's project in Zimbabwe is focussed on orthopaedic training and equipment provision at the Richard Morris Hospital, which is part of the United Bulawayo Hospitals (UBH), in Bulawayo. Following a formal invitation by the UBH CEO, Dr William Busumani, in 2023 and a visit in May 2024 by ADFA CEO, Dr Graham Forward, the project has progressed very well, with the following achieved in the 2024/25 financial year.

Infrastructure Development and Equipment

Renovation of an operating theatre, ward, change rooms and recovery area in the Richard Morris Building, for use by the Orthopaedic Department, included new theatre lights, painting walls and ceilings, replacing doors, improving storage and upgrading air conditioning. The renovation was completed in December 2024, and the theatre was furnished and commissioned for use in January 2025.

Meet Seveniah, who was 12 months old when her mother first came to ADFA's Toliara clinic in Madagascar. The family lives in a village 190 km south of Toliara.

Seveniah's mother learned of our clinic from Humanity & Inclusion (HI), an international NGO that supports children with disabilities. HI provides support to the family for travel and accommodation costs when visiting Toliara.

The team diagnosed clubfoot in her right foot. The Ponseti treatment process was discussed with the mother and a plan was made for Seveniah's care.

Seveniah had eight plaster casts and a tenotomy, which is a minor Achilles tendon operation that improves the plaster cast outcome. Despite the challenges of distance, Seveniah's mother continues to bring her daughter to the clinic for regular checking of the boots and bars.

Lucile, ADFA Clubfoot Coordinator, reports:

"Seveniah's mother is very happy with her daughter's progress. She showed people in their neighbourhood that her daughter no longer has clubfoot and she encourages them to come to see us. She thanked us for helping her daughter walk and become like other normal children, and especially thanked ADFA for providing free treatment."

Scholarship Program

The ADFA scholarship program, now proudly in its 10th year, was established as a key initiative to strengthen and expand the healthcare systems of Somaliland and Ethiopia. The program aims to identify and support committed individuals in undertaking further education and training with the overarching goal of building capacity within local healthcare services.

2024-25 ACHIEVEMENTS

Medical Students

ADFA provided tuition support for two female medical students to complete their medical studies at Edna Adan Hospital in Hargeisa. One of these students completed her studies in October 2024 and is now continuing with her internship. A new student has since been nominated and is receiving tuition fee support.

“Dear Doctors, I wish to thank you and say I am so grateful for your support for me to finish my studies. I am now completing my internship and part of the resident program for Obstetrics and Gynaecology at Edna Adan Hospital.”

Amina Abdalla, medical student tuition fee recipient.



Dr Abdalla Abdirahman Ahmed

Somaliland Scholars

ADFA provides financial support for living costs to support doctors from Somaliland to undertake medical specialty training in Ethiopia. At the start of the reporting period, a total of 18 Somaliland scholars were receiving ADFA support to study in Ethiopia. Over the year, three scholars completed their studies in the specialties of Orthopaedics and Traumatology, Urology and Neurosurgery. One scholar transferred specialty outside the scope of the program and one discontinued their studies. Two new scholars have been selected for support in the speciality of Orthopaedics and Traumatology.

“Receiving an ADFA Scholarship provided me with essential financial support, allowing me to focus on my education and training without the stress of meeting daily living expenses. Professionally, it gave me the freedom to pursue the specialty I’m passionate about and build a strong foundation for my future career without distractions. I just want to say thank you for your support during my residency and even after becoming orthopaedic surgeon; it means so much to my people and to me personally.”

Dr Abdalla Abdirahman Ahmed, Somaliland scholarship recipient Orthopaedics and Traumatology, graduated February 2025

An exciting new development this year has been the creation of an in-country scholarship program providing the opportunity for four scholars to undertake their studies in Orthopaedics and Traumatology at Hargeisa Group Hospital in Somaliland.



Dr Bruh Kefale

Fellowships

ADFA supports a number of fellowships for experienced Ethiopian orthopaedic surgeons to study a sub-specialty overseas. A comprehensive application process resulted in three successful candidates with two doctors undertaking fellowships in Orthopaedic Trauma and Arthroplasty at Ganga Hospital in Coimbatore, India and a third in Foot and Ankle Surgery at Assiut Hospital in Egypt.

“It was a thrilling experience to win one of two fellowships ADFA bestows in Ethiopia. Though living one year away from my family in a foreign land has been difficult, my stay at Ganga has been one of the highlights of my professional life. The sheer number and variety of cases and procedures we’re exposed to is simply astounding and I get to experience them in the standard mentioned in any of the textbooks we read, in a state-of-the-art facility. I am in the 11th month of my fellowship and I’m still learning new things. I feel well trained, revitalized, energized, and capable to handle the complex cases which I dreaded to operate on before this fellowship. I hope my students and patients, whom I used to simply refer for better management will benefit the most.”

Dr Bruh Kefale, 2024/25 Fellow at Ganga Hospital, Coimbatore, India.

Professional Development

A total of six doctors (two each from Zimbabwe, Madagascar, and Somaliland) were sponsored to participate in the 3 day Pre-basics Fracture Management Course held in Addis Ababa in August 2024, organised by ADFA in collaboration with AO Alliance. This training equipped them with essential skills and updated knowledge in fracture care, which they will bring back to their home countries to enhance medical services and improve outcomes within their communities.

ADFA is grateful for the continuing commitment of the ADFA Scholarship Committee and the generosity of our sponsors.

Governance & Integrity

Australian Doctors for Africa is a proprietary limited company with two Directors, Dr Graham Forward and Mr John Bond. The overall management of Australian Doctors for Africa, however, is entrusted to the Board.

The organisation has a voluntary Chief Executive Officer (Dr Graham Forward) and four part-time staff (2.6 FTE). The current Chair of the Board is Mr John Bond, a prominent local, national and international businessman.

During 2024/25, the Board comprised:

- Mr John Bond, Chair
- Dr Graham Forward, Founder & CEO
- Mr Peter Abery
- Dr Nandini Doreswamy
- Mr David McCoy
- A/Prof Rochelle Spencer



ADFA Volunteer Orthopaedic Team meeting with HE Kate Chamley, High Commissioner, Australian High Commission in Mauritius, July 2024

The Board met on 7 occasions throughout the year.

Board Member	First Meeting	Meetings	
		Eligible to Attend	Attended
John Bond	Feb 2016	7	5
Dr Graham Forward	Feb 2005	7	7
Peter Abery	Nov 2021	7	5
Dr Nandini Doreswamy	Nov 2021	7	6
David McCoy	Nov 2021	7	6
A/Prof Rochelle Spencer*	May 2024	2	2

* Leave of absence granted for 5 meetings.

The organisation continues to strengthen its policies and procedures to foster a culture of strong governance and compliance. The internal systems of management are well established and implemented by an experienced office team.

The Board has ensured that the implementation of the Strategic Plan has continued, and the mission and strategic priorities have been focused and monitored. The Board continues to review and approve programs, approve budget requirements, assess risk, review new and revised policies, and oversee adherence to ACNC, ACFID and DFAT regulations and guidelines.

The Board and CEO are supported by four sub-committees:

- **Financial Risk Committee:** Peter Abery (Chair), John Bond and Ian Pawley, who ensure financial governance and due diligence.
- **Clinical Governance Committee:** Dr Shirley Bowen (Chair), Dr Rob Storer and Dr Graham Forward, who ensure best practice and governance for medical activities.
- **Scholarship Committee:** Dr David Samuels (Chair), Ian Pawley, Rebecca Thompson and Helen O'Sullivan, who review and recommend the most appropriate medical scholars to receive support.
- **Management Committee:** Graeme Wilson (Chair), Ian Pawley, Dr Graham Forward and the office team, who provide technical and managerial support on ADFA activities and proposed projects.

BOARD

Dr Graham Forward – Founding Director & CEO

Graham is a Western Australian Orthopaedic Surgeon with primary medical degrees of The University of Western Australia, and fellowship of the Royal Australian College of Surgeons and the Australian Orthopaedic Association.

Following the tsunami of Boxing Day 2004, Graham assembled an emergency and traumatology team to provide assistance in Bosaso, Somalia, at the request of local doctors and surgeons. From that visit in February 2005, Australian Doctors for Africa was incorporated as an organisation to help sustainable development of surgical, medical and health services in Africa.

Graham continues as a busy Orthopaedic Surgeon in Perth and includes outreach to the Kimberley region of Western Australia, and Cocos (Keeling) and Christmas Islands.

Recognition has been received by the Order of Australia (AM), the John Curtin Medal, the G M Bedbrook Oration of the AOA, Australia Day Citizen of the Year, nomination for the Australian of the Year (WA) and the Ethiopian Society of Orthopaedics and Traumatology Award.

John Bond – Chair

John was one of the founders of Primewest, a national property investment business which was sold to Centuria Limited in 2021. His background spans law, investment banking as well as property investment and development. He holds board and equity positions in a range of companies in diverse sectors including Lexus of Perth, Cosgrove Group, Energy-Tec and Core Vision.

He holds degrees in Law and Commerce from The University of Western Australia. He was the founding Chairman of The Fathering Project, a not-for-profit organisation focusing on the importance of a father figure in children's lives. He was previously a board member of the Art Gallery of Western Australia Foundation and the Martu Charitable Trust.

John has been a supporter of, and passionate about ADFA since visiting Ethiopia with Graham Forward and witnessing first hand the tremendous impact it has on the lives of local people and has been Chair of the Board since February 2016.

Peter Abery

Peter is a professional director and a business, governance and strategy consultant. He provides advice to boards on a variety of matters including strategy, board performance evaluations, board and committee structures, board and CEO relationships, and effective board governance practices and processes.

He has been an education facilitator for the Australian Institute of Company Directors for the past 15 years on their various public and in-boardroom courses.

His consulting services have covered business turnaround strategies and implementation, mergers and acquisitions, organisational structure, business efficiency and effectiveness, and coaching of senior executives.

He has held various chief executive roles in Australia, the UK and South Africa. He has worked with private equity, start-up businesses, privately owned businesses, listed companies and in mergers and acquisitions. He has held a number of non-executive company director and chair roles of publicly listed, unlisted, private and NFP companies.

Peter Abery holds a M Sc Electrical Engineering, an MBA and has completed the International Senior Management Program at the Harvard Business School. He is a Fellow of the Australian Institute of Directors.



Toliara Clubfoot Team, Madagascar

BOARD (continued)

Dr Nandini Doreswamy

Nandini has significant experience in leadership, management, health, and technology. She holds an MBBS, a Masters in General Surgery, an MBA, and accreditations in technology and project management. She is a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors and a member of Sigma Xi, the international honour society for science and engineering. Her areas of expertise include governance, risk, AI ethics, and the impact of AI on humans; and technology, medicine, and sustainability.

Nandini has served on the Board of Directors of the Climate and Health Alliance (CAHA) and was a Director at Deloitte. Previously, she was a Director in the Australian Department of Health and Aged Care. She was nominated by the federal government as a Distinguished Talent and granted Australian citizenship on this basis. Nandini is committed to all aspects of equality, including racial and cultural equality and respect, equality for indigenous peoples, and gender/non-gender equality.

David McCoy

David McCoy's African adventure began as an exchange student in the late 1980s in South Africa.

David brings his 30-year global business experience to the ADFA Board. He is the Executive Chairman of TZMI, a globally recognised consulting firm that supports the world's opaque minerals and metals industries, particularly in the titanium value chain.

David has worked for clients in over 70 countries, including many African nations. He is a Chartered Professional Engineer (Chemical Engineering) and has a Master of Engineering Management (International Finance major) and a Graduate of the Australian Institute of Company Directors.

A/Prof Rochelle Spencer

Rochelle has a long relationship with Africa having first worked on the East Africa Desk of British Red Cross in the 1990s. As an applied anthropologist, she is interested in development encounters and how development discourses and practices shape the everyday lives of people facing disadvantage – both positively and negatively.

Rochelle is Associate Professor of Development Studies. Through her research and teaching, she seeks to facilitate participatory approaches that enhance cross-cultural perspectives within development processes. She has researched with many NGOs including Australian Red Cross, Oxfam Australia, Global Exchange in Cuba, CARE Vietnam, Catholic Relief Services Southern Africa, and Nuwul Indigenous social enterprise in northeast Arnhem Land. Her strengths lie in applying participatory approaches to the design, implementation and evaluation of development projects that help to inform technical expertise, programming, and policy. In this way, her research has applied real-world outcomes by ensuring the inclusion of local perspectives in development.

She is co-founder and principal fellow of the Indo-Pacific Research Centre and the Development Studies Association of Australia (DSAA), as well as co-director of Research for Development Impact Network, and Deputy Editor of Development in Practice.

Directors' Concise Financial Report

The Concise Financial Report is an extract from the Financial Statements and has been prepared in accordance with AASB 1039 and the requirements set out in the ACFID Code of Conduct.

For further information on the Code please refer to the ACFID website www.acfid.asn.au.

The financial statements and specific disclosures included in the Concise Financial Report have been derived from the Financial Statements. The Concise Financial Report cannot be expected to provide as full an understanding of the financial performance, financial position and finance and investing activities of the company as the Financial Statements. Further financial information can be obtained from the Financial Statements which is available free of charge on the Australian Doctors for Africa website www.ausdocafrica.org.

During the 2025 financial year, Australian Doctors for Africa had no transactions for international political or religious proselytisation programs.

The Concise Financial Report includes both cash and non-cash income and expenditure. The value of non-cash items is calculated in accordance with guidelines set by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

The financial reports reflect another successful year delivering advanced development programs in our target countries. I draw attention to the following:

Special Purpose Financial Report

The Board have agreed that Australian Doctors for Africa is a non-reporting entity and financial reports should be presented as Special Purpose Financial Statements.

Tax Concession

The company is a Public Benevolent Institution endorsed to access fringe benefits and income tax exemption.

Grants

Grants which have specific performance obligations attached to them are initially recognised as a liability and subsequently reclassified as revenue when the performance obligations are met. Grants which do not have sufficiently specific performance obligations are recognised when the entity obtains control over the funds, which is generally at the time of receipt.

Non-monetary Donations

Non-monetary donations make up a substantial proportion of the company's income and expenditure for 2025, a total of \$588,185 (2024: \$928,887). Donations of medical equipment and supplies are valued according to a written policy adopted by the Board. Donated services, such as airline flights and freight, are valued at current cost. Voluntary labour is based on rates determined by the Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade.

Our strong financial position will enable us to maintain our current programs and continue expanding new projects. Our low administration costs allow us to ensure the maximum amount of supporter donations are allocated to direct program delivery, assisting those most in need in East Africa.

DR GRAHAM FORWARD
Founder & CEO

ACCOUNTABILITY

Australian Doctors for Africa is a member of the Australian Council for International Development (ACFID) and is a signatory to their Code of Conduct, which is a voluntary, self-regulatory sector code of good practice. ADFA is fully committed to the Code which requires members to meet high standards of corporate governance, public accountability and financial management. More information on the Code, including how to make a complaint, can be obtained from ACFID by visiting www.acfid.asn.au or emailing code@acfid.asn.au.

ADFA also has a complaints handling process, available on our website, which can be activated by phoning +61 8 6478 8951 or emailing the CEO at ceo@ausdocafrica.org or the Chair at chair@ausdocafrica.org.

Australian Doctors for Africa is accredited by the Australian Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), responsible for managing Australia's development program. To maintain accreditation, ADFA systems, policies and processes are rigorously reviewed by the Australian Government.

Australian Doctors for Africa is a registered charity with the Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission (ACNC) and complies with the regulations of ACNC through governance self assessments, Annual Information Statements and financial reports.

ADFA is also endorsed as an income tax exempt charitable entity and endorsed as a Deductible Gift Recipient under the *Income Tax Assessment Act 1997*.



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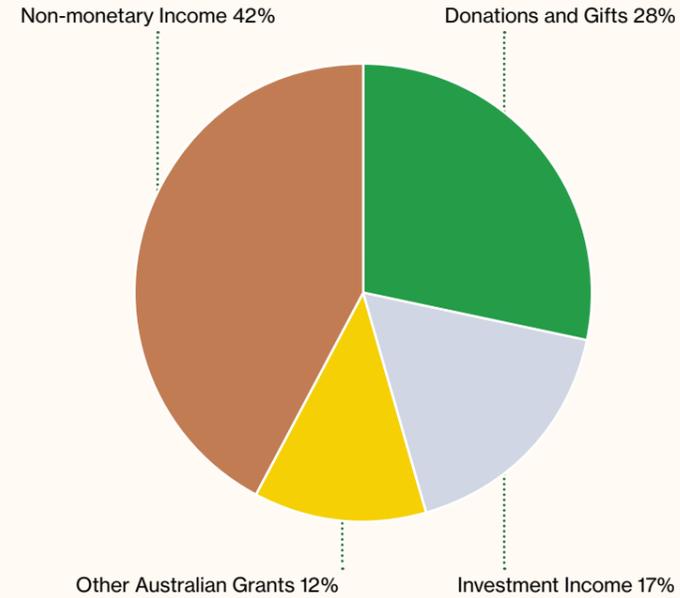
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Concise Financial Report

For the Financial Year ended 30 June 2025	2025 \$	2024 \$
STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY		
Opening Equity	3,450,214	3,252,747
Increase/(decrease) in fair value of investments	(613,000)	(77,000)
Net Surplus/(deficit) for the Year	(233,353)	274,467
CLOSING EQUITY	2,603,861	3,450,214
STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION		
ASSETS		\$
Current Assets		
Cash Assets	1,132,925	1,374,082
Current Tax Assets	61,804	93,429
Prepaid Expenses	9,509	-
Total Current Assets	1,204,238	1,467,511
Non-current Assets		
Other Financial Assets	1,528,000	2,141,000
Total Non-current Assets	1,528,000	2,141,000
TOTAL ASSETS	2,732,238	3,608,511
LIABILITIES		
Current Liabilities		
Payable	650	4,013
Provisions	11,583	18,974
Unexpended Grants/Donations	99,596	121,288
Total Current Liabilities	111,829	144,275
Non Current Liabilities		
Provisions	16,548	14,022
Total Non-current Liabilities	16,548	14,022
TOTAL LIABILITIES	128,377	158,297
NET ASSETS	2,603,861	3,450,214
EQUITY		
Contributed Equity	2	2
Asset Revaluation Reserve	893,000	1,506,000
Special Reserve	524,249	530,799
Retained Surplus	1,186,610	1,413,413
TOTAL EQUITY	2,603,861	3,450,214
STATEMENT OF COMPREHENSIVE INCOME		
REVENUE		\$
Donations and Gifts		
Monetary	391,911	710,798
Non-monetary	588,185	928,887
Grants		
Australian Government Grants	-	60,470
Other Australian Grants	167,192	236,212
Investment Income	239,941	336,185
Foreign Exchange Profit (Loss)	(3,932)	(5,080)
Other Income	725	650
TOTAL INCOME	1,384,022	2,268,122
EXPENDITURE		
International Aid and Development Programs Expenditure		
Funds to International Programs	659,496	746,635
Program Support Costs	195,024	165,839
Accountability and Administration	174,669	152,294
Non-monetary Expenditure	588,185	928,887
TOTAL EXPENDITURE	1,617,375	1,993,655
Surplus (Deficit) from Ordinary Activities	(233,353)	274,467

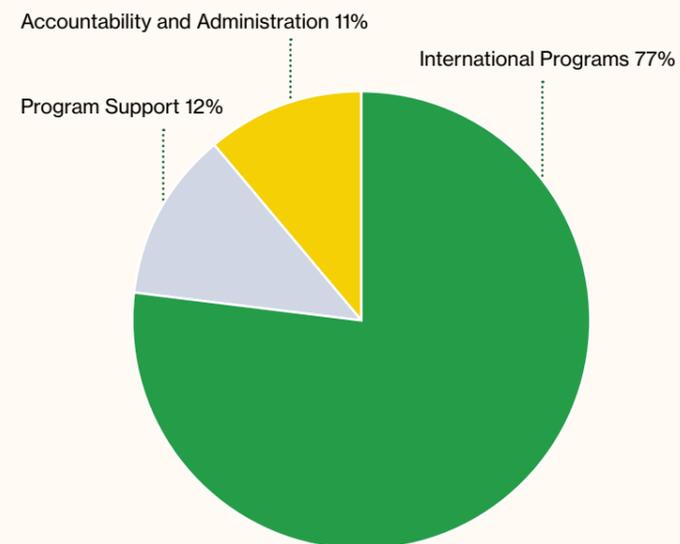
Financial Overview

The income and expenditure totals shown below are taken from the Concise Financial Report.



Where The Money Came From

	\$
Donations and Gifts	391,911
Received from the Australian public and corporate donors	
Investment Income	239,941
Dividends from current investments, franking credits and interest	
Other Australian Grants	167,192
Grants from private entities	
Non-monetary Income	588,185
Value of donated medical equipment and supplies used in our programs	
Not Shown: Other Income/Foreign Exchange Loss	(3,207)
TOTAL	1,384,022



How The Money Was Spent

	\$
International Programs	1,247,681
Program delivery in Ethiopia, Madagascar, Somaliland and Zimbabwe, including training, medical services, logistics and freight costs and non-monetary expenditure	
Program Support	195,024
Costs associated with program implementation in-country	
Accountability and Administration	174,669
TOTAL	1,617,375

Independent Auditor's Report



REPORT OF THE INDEPENDENT AUDITOR ON THE CONCISE FINANCIAL REPORT

To the Members of Australian Doctors for Africa Pty Ltd

Opinion

We have audited the concise financial report of Australian Doctors for Africa Pty Ltd ('the Company'), which comprises the statement of financial position as at 30 June 2025, the statement of comprehensive income and the statement of changes in equity for the year then ended, derived from the annual financial report of the Company for the year ended 30 June 2025 and the discussion and analysis. We expressed a qualified opinion on the annual financial report. The modification, included below does not qualify our opinion on the concise financial report.

In our opinion, the accompanying concise financial report, including the discussion and analysis of the Company, complies with Accounting Standard AASB 1039 *Concise Financial Reports*.

Basis for Opinion

We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. Our responsibilities under those standards are further described in the *Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Concise Financial Report* section of our report. We are independent of the Company in accordance with the ethical requirements of the Accounting Professional and Ethical Standards Board's APES 110 *Code of Ethics for Professional Accountants (including Independence Standards)* ('the Code') that are relevant to our audit of the concise financial report in Australia. We have also fulfilled our other ethical responsibilities in accordance with the Code.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Concise Financial Report

The concise financial report does not contain all the disclosures required by the Australian Accounting Standards in the preparation of the annual financial report. Reading the concise financial report and the auditor's report thereon, therefore, is not a substitute for reading the annual financial report and the auditor's report thereon.

The Annual Financial Report and Our Report Thereon

We expressed a qualified audit opinion on the annual financial report in our report dated 30 September 2025. The following paragraphs are copied from our audit opinion on the annual financial report for the year. The modification to the audit opinion in that annual financial report does not apply to this opinion on the concise financial report:

Donation of equipment income is a significant source of revenue for the Company. It has been determined that it is impracticable to establish control over the collection of donations received in the form of equipment prior to entry in the financial records. Accordingly, as evidence available to us regarding revenue from this source was limited, our audit procedures with respect to donations of equipment has been restricted to the amounts recorded in the financial records at the time when the donations are made to the recipients. We therefore are unable to express an opinion on the completeness of the donation of equipment received.

Our audit report also includes:

An emphasis of matter that draws the attention to Note 1 of the annual financial report, which describes the basis of accounting. The annual financial report has been prepared for the purpose of fulfilling the Company's financial reporting responsibilities under the *Australian Charities and Not-for-profits Commission Act 2012* ('the ACNC Act') and the ACFID Code of Conduct. As a result, the annual financial report may not be suitable for another purpose. Our opinion is not modified in respect of this matter.

Responsibilities of the Directors for the Concise Financial Report

The directors are responsible for the preparation of the concise financial report in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 1039 *Concise Financial Reports*, and for such internal control as the directors determine is necessary to enable the preparation of the concise financial report.

Auditor's Responsibilities for the Audit of the Concise Financial Report

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on whether the concise financial report, in all material respects, complies with AASB 1039 *Concise Financial Reports* and whether the discussion and analysis complies with AASB 1039 *Concise Financial Reports* based on our procedures, which were conducted in accordance with Auditing Standard ASA 810 *Engagements to Report on Summary Financial Statements*.

Report on Other Legal and Regulatory Requirements

Based on our audit, the Company has materially complied with the requirements of the ACFID Code of Conduct.

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For all their extraordinary assistance with storage and logistics.



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For their support in providing excess baggage for volunteer medical teams to Madagascar.



For their financial support which has enabled many projects to be fulfilled.



Financial assistance over many years for our programs in Madagascar.



DAK Foundation has generously donated much needed equipment.



Base Resources Madagascar project Base Toliara has supported ADFA with funding and transport assistance.



Evion Group through its subsidiary BlackEarth Minerals Madagascar, has supported ADFA through program support.



Becky Chilcott and Damian Crosbie at Chil3 for design and production of Annual Report.

We also receive support from:

DS Biomedical – equipment service, repair and donation
Quick Sites Perth – website support
Royal Wolf – logistics assistance
Seatram – shipping and logistics support

Medical equipment and supplies donated by:

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