



IMPROVING CHILD HEALTH IN FIJI

Children are such a precious part of the Fijian culture and lifestyle. Yet sadly, far too many lose their lives to illnesses that are both treatable and preventable in other parts of the world.

Thanks to the amazing spirit and fundraising from people like you Cure Kids Fiji is working to improve the health of the children of Fiji through research and evidence-based child health programmes.

In recent years, Cure Kids Fiji have been focused on developing life- saving solutions for rheumatic heat disease, and pneumonia, two of the most significant health challenges affecting young people in Fiji.

As a proud partner of Cure Kids Fiji, Captain Cook Cruises applies \$1 per room per night to your stay on an opt-out basis. If you would like to make a larger donation please speak to the crew.

100% of this donation goes directly to Cure Kids Fiji and helps save thousands of lives.

We thank you for your generosity.

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CURE KIDS FIJI'S CHILD HEALTH PROJECTS

Rheumatic Heart Disease (RHD)

- Affects one in 50 children, while life-threatening is a preventable condition
- Fiji has the highest known rates in the world
- A leading cause of death for young people
- The second most common cause of death for pregnant women
- In partnership with the Fiji Ministry of health and world-leading RHD experts from Australia and NZ, Cure Kids is leading a national-level, research-based project, improving and building capacity across all aspects of RHD control and prevention

In June 2014, a four-year partnership project commenced with the aim of preventing & reducing the impact of RHD in the Fiji Islands. Cure Kids is working collaboratively with the Fiji Ministry of Health and Medical Sciences, Auckland



District Health Board, and the Centre for International Child Health at Murdoch Children's Research Institute.

The multi-million-dollar project was made possible by our generous donors and corporate partners.

THE FIJI OXYGEN PROJECT

No Child Should Die for Lack of Oxygen

Each year in Fiji, approximately 200 children under 5 years-of-age die from pneumonia and newborn illnesses.

Using oxygen to treat pneumonia in children reduces death by 35%. However, many health facilities in Fiji have unreliable or rationed oxygen supplies, leaving patients vulnerable. Cure Kids and Rotary, in collaboration with the Fiji Ministry of Health and Medical Services and experts at the University of Auckland, are implementing new ways to improve oxygen availability to save lives.

This includes providing:

- Bedside equipment which turns air into oxygen
- Advanced solar power systems to run the oxygen concentrators and ensure oxygen is always available for patients who need it
- Training for health workers to equipment, and biomedical engineers who maintain it

Our vision is for no child to die from a lack of oxygen and we need your help to make this a reality. Funds raised will help realise the next stage of this vision: to upgrade the oxygen delivery facilities of 13 hospitals and health centres over the next 3 years. Together, we need to raise NZD\$60,000 per hospital or health centre to make this possible.


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