THE RIGHT TREATMENT CHANGES EVERYTHING

IN THE DEVELOPING WORLD boys like this one are often the family breadwinner, responsible for feeding an entire family. His work is dangerous and risk of injury is great. A trauma injury such as a broken leg can reduce his daily sustenance earnings of $1 to zero. Most hospitals can only offer him traction, which means he would be hospitalized for several months, leaving his family destitute. He needs access to orthopaedic care that will give him optimum treatment for fast healing.

Surgeons in developing countries need orthopaedic instruments and implants that can be implanted without a C-arm and that are affordable to their poor patients. SIGN engineers have designed an intramedullary nail and interlocking screw system which can be used without C-arm or electrical power. The SIGN IM Nail System and training have been donated to more than 200 hospitals since 1999. SIGN trained surgeons have successfully treated nearly 103,000 patients.

TRAUMA IS AN EPIDEMIC affecting more lives than AIDS, TB and Malaria combined. 20-50 million people are injured annually in road traffic accidents according to the World Health Organization. 90 percent of the injured live in developing countries where the poor have limited access to effective orthopaedic care. SIGN needs your support to provide a chance for equal orthopaedic care for the poor. DONATE TODAY and help save lives by preventing disabilities in the working poor – of all ages.

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