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## **GUYANA MEDICAL RELIEF DONATES US\$1.9MILLION IN MEDICINE TO MAHAICONY HOSPITAL AND BERBICE REGIONAL HEALTH AUTHORITY**

**Guyana Medical Relief**, based in Los Angeles California has been donating medicines and medical supplies to the mainly rural hospitals in Guyana. This is the longest existing Guyanese NGO in the United States, having served for over 25 years.

Recently, the Chief Operating Officer, Sharir Chan visited the Mahaicony Diagnostic Center and became aware of the shortage of medicines at this facility. Through **Guyana Medical Relief's** partner, Direct Relief International of Santa Barbara, California, a supply Fed-Ex aircraft touched down in Guyana carrying over 25 pallets of supplies worth in excess of US\$1.9 million.

Medicines include the common blood pressure tablet, Captopril, amoxicillin, atenolol, medformin and other cholesterol lowering medications. These medicines were directly sent to the Mahaicony Diagnostic Center and to New Amsterdam Hospital for use in the Berbice Regional Health Authority. Excess medications are then sent to other hospitals.

In addition to this emergency FedEx shipment, **Guyana Medical Relief** on April 6<sup>th</sup> completed a container shipment of supplies and medications to the Bartica Hospital.



**Sharir Chan, COO of Guyana Medical Relief hands over some of the supplies to Dr. Chand at the Mahaicony Diagnostic Center.**