

Hospital Ship Feasibility Study



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Project Summary

Problem

Address the gap in MSF's ability to provide medical care to vulnerable populations in port cities, especially in insecure conflict and emergency settings.

Proposed Solution

Assess the feasibility of a hospital ship to address medical needs of populations in specific contexts. Investigate security, safety, access, financial, managerial, legal, and ethical elements.



Potential Impact

- Better serve the medical needs of populations in multiple contexts (war and conflict, natural disaster, neglected peoples)

Viability

- Uses a comprehensive, fact-based, critical analysis of hospital ship feasibility
- Assesses contexts where a ship could improve access to medical care

Risk Mitigation

- Leverages MSF and external learnings to accelerate and improve the analysis
- Feasibility assessment minimizes risk

Scalability

- Considers scaling factors such as size of ship, type of contexts, operational factors

Area/Type: Medical Research and Development; Incubator

Sponsor/Support: MSF Netherlands & USA

Length/Project Status: 6 months; **COMPLETE**