



DR. STEPHEN GLUCKMAN

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It's a long way from the University of Pennsylvania to Botswana, but Dr. Stephen Gluckman has made the trip dozens of times. The infectious disease physician first traveled to the African country in 2001— one of four Penn physicians invited to train local healthcare providers in the treatment of HIV-infected patients.

“From there, everything expanded rather dramatically,” says Dr. Gluckman, who is now clinical director of the Penn-Botswana program. Each year, Penn Medicine faculty, students, and residents work shoulder-to-shoulder with

local professionals in treating a wide variety of infectious diseases. Penn Nursing teaches “best practices” of the profession and helps manage patients, while Wharton works to computerize health records with built-in treatment protocols. The result: close to 70 percent of the people who need HIV treatment receive it and AIDS prevalence has dropped. It's a crisis with hope – and a partnership that gives life to the Penn tradition of linking teaching and research in service to the world.

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