

Third container

New container with inventory arrived at the hospital.

After transporting the first two containers, enough inventory was left in The Netherlands to fill a third container. Since all the remaining items were needed for the hospital, a new transport was arranged. Due to the worldwide container crisis the price was near double compared to a year before.

The Quina Care Board decided to use the yearly donation of thrift shop *De Wisselbeker* for the transport. When the Board of the thrift shop heard about the price increase, it promised an extra donation. Besides the increased costs, it also turned out to be much more difficult to get a place on the ship.

Transportation of the container as preferred in October wasn't possible, but fortunately we managed to reserve a place on the ship in November. January 2022 the container arrived in Puerto el Carmen. All inventory was immediately cleaned and each item put in the proper place.



From The Hague ...

... to Puerto el Carmen

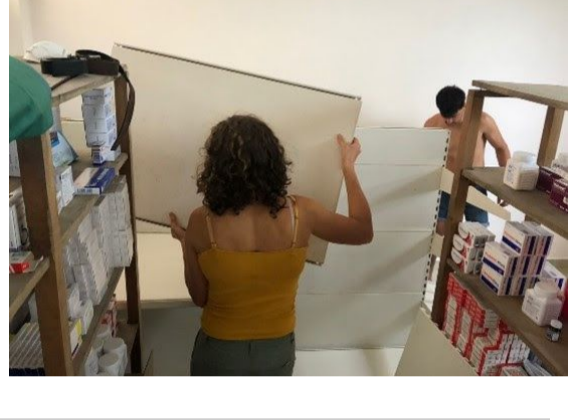
Visit Baukje Zaaier

Baukje stores antidote she raised herself.

The previous newsletter featured Baukje Zaaier, who handled a fantastic amount on behalf of her former colleagues during her visit to Hospital San Miguel. Baukje has consistently supported the hospital in a variety of ways over several years. For example, the third

container arrived while Baukje was volunteering in the hospital. Shelving units were packed in the container which she assembled immediately and arranged with previously arrived medication. In the same container were also the bottles of antidote she collected herself by

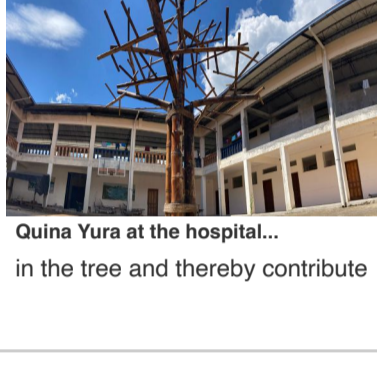
by running the alternative marathon of Amsterdam in 2020. Baukje unpacked, organized, and properly stored the very antidote she had raised funding for two years prior – her efforts came full circle!



Donation tree Quina Yura

Buy a leaf and support Quina Care.

In 2021 local artist Ricardo Salazar made a tree in the middle of the courtyard of the hospital: Quina Yura. By making a single donation, or automatic monthly donations, one can also sponsor a leaf on the tree. The tree is quite full already, very beautiful to see!



Quina Yura at the hospital... in the tree and thereby contribute



...and on the website to the hospital? Go to [donate](#).

First voluntary doctors in the hospital

Help more than welcome!

At the end of January the first two voluntary doctors from the Netherlands arrived at the hospital. Jessica Nomen en Katja Schamp, both tropical doctors currently (in training to become) general practitioners. They came to Puerto el Carmen for four weeks to work in the hospital. Both already spoke Spanish and had experience working in the tropics. Given the

crowds in the hospital their help was more than welcome! Besides the treatment of patients, they made a huge contribution to the writing of protocols for the hospital. We are very grateful for their help! Meanwhile, a third doctor, Pieter Staarink, in training to become a general practitioner in The Netherlands, is working in the hospital as a volunteer. He stays

for half a year, and at the end of that period another volunteer is already expected. Quina Care highly values and cares for her volunteers. We demonstrate this care by making an agreement with every volunteer. The hospital's Code of Conduct is signed and a Statement of Conduct is requested.



Donation family and friends Pieter Staarink

New volunteer at the workplace with yet another beautiful donation.



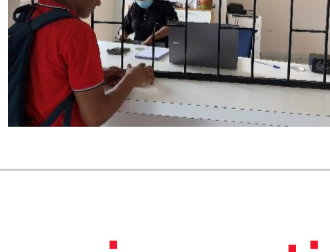
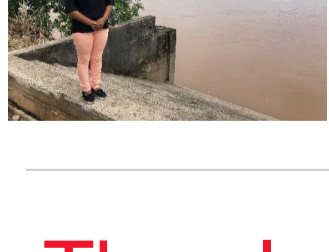
As said before, Pieter Staarink is working as the third voluntary doctor in the hospital. Together with his girlfriend Eefje he travelled to Ecuador. Before they left The Netherlands, they asked family and friends to donate to Quina Care. And with great success! Upon their arrival to the hospital, they presented a cheque of € 6.727 (\$ 7.264) to Dra. Carolien and Dr. Jacob!

Introducing the local staff

The first in the series.

Since the opening of the hospital in November 2021, three local staff members have been hired: receptionist Rosa, cleaning assistant Martha, and assistant nurse Andrea.

Recently, a second assistant nurse, Gladys, began employment. They would like to introduce themselves in this and future newsletters. In this newsletter we start with [Rosa](#).



The electronic patient record (EPR)

Made possible by Dariusz Blaszyk and Previder.

Hospital San Miguel is utilizing a state of the art EPR system. These records are available on a computer or laptop at all times, and printing is possible when needed. Staff always has current and accurate information about the patients. The EPR has been fully developed by Dariusz Blaszyk to include not just patient records, but also administrative operations, and medication inventory. Medication inventory updates automatically after each issue, allowing for timely re-stocking. Dariusz regularly

makes adjustments to the EPR to make the system more complete and user friendly. Dariusz tells more about the development of the EPR [here](#). To make the EPR available on every computer and to do adjustments at a distance, the

EPR is placed on a Previder server. Normally, operational costs are involved for such a service. But ever since Quina Care began using this server, Previder accounts for most of the costs. Thank you very much for this critical service!



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the people of Putumayo so desperately need. To donate, press the button on the left.

