

## Heart to Heart International responding in advance of Hurricane Dorian

*Hurricane expected to make landfall in Florida as a Category 4 storm.*

**MEDIA ALERT** – (August 30, 2019) Heart to Heart International (HHI) is sending an advance team in preparation for a response to Hurricane Dorian. The team will be pre-positioned before the storm hits in order to rapidly respond to the medical needs of those affected by the hurricane. Disaster response medical volunteers are already on the ground in Florida.

On Friday, August 30, the disaster response team will be loading the Mobile Medical Unit (MMU) with medications and supplies in preparation for a Saturday departure. **Team members and senior management will be available for media interviews on Friday, August 30, from 12pm – 3pm as the preparation for deployment is underway.**

**The MMU and advance team will be departing Lenexa headquarters (11550 Renner Blvd., Lenexa, KS 66219) at 10am on Saturday, August 31. (Disaster response team members and senior staff will be available for media interviews at the departure.)** By leaving ahead of Hurricane Dorian's landfall, the HHI team will be able to respond quickly after the storm to the areas where help is needed most. This advance response is being supported by HHI's long-time partner AbbVie Foundation.

The team will be continuing to monitor the storm track and more information will be released about HHI's response to the hurricane as soon as it is available.

**Kansas City can support this response with donations at: [www.hearttoheart.org](http://www.hearttoheart.org)**

*Heart to Heart International is a nonprofit international health organization with its headquarters in Lenexa, Kansas. Since its inception in 1992, HHI has delivered medical aid and supplies worth \$1.9 billion to more than 130 countries, including within the United States. HHI responds to natural disasters both domestically and internationally by supplying medical relief and mobilizing volunteers. The organization is a 4-star Charity Navigator charity, a BBB Accredited charity and is on the "Philanthropy 400." To learn more, visit [hearttoheart.org](http://hearttoheart.org).*

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