

HEALTH CARE KITS

Scabies Treatment Kits



Purpose

Your donation helps us to educate and treat young scabies patients and their families.

Participants on expeditions with an emphasis on medical care often treat hundreds of children infected with scabies. Scabies is caused by a mite that burrows underneath the skin. The sites very often turn into infected sores on the body.

Patients are diagnosed by the clinic doctor and treated by clinic volunteers. Parents are taught proper bathing techniques as each child receives a bath. The first dosage of medication is applied and each child receives new clean clothing and leaves with the contents of their treatment kit, medicine and instructions on prevention of further infestation.

Procedure

1. Purchase the following items for each kit:
 - a. Gallon size Ziploc freezer bag
 - b. Hand towel
 - c. 4-6 ounces body wash (antibacterial is best)*
 - d. Two small sponges for washing (soft kitchen sponges work well)
 - e. Nail brush
 - f. Nail clipper
 - g. Hair pick
 - h. Small mirror (optional)

Note; While many items can be purchased inexpensively at warehouse or "dollar" stores, contacting local merchants for discounts and donations is also advisable.

2. Purchase a set of Avery 5164 labels.
3. Download the file "Health Care Kit – Labels" from our web site and print one label for each kit.
4. Pre-wash and fold the hand towels.
5. Assemble the Kits:
 - a. Place the label on the gallon size Ziploc bag.
 - b. Place the other items into the bag.
 - c. Press all excess air out of bag before sealing (this reduces space requirements).
6. Box up the kits and contact Lon or DeAnna to coordinate delivery.

*It is possible to purchase bar soap in Ethiopia if you would rather donate \$.25 per kit

Additional Costs

Monetary donations in any amount help us to cover the cost of shipping items to be used on medical expeditions. Each 100 scabies kits will weight approximately 70 lbs and will cost VOH \$120 to ship to Ethiopia. While not necessary, we greatly appreciate any support with this cost you can provide.