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Shriners treat Haitian children

Children receive medical help in Mass

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On Wednesday night eight Haitian children arrived by private plane to receive treatment at Shriners Hospital for Children in Springfield and Boston and Baystate Medical Center.

The children, who range in age from two to thirteen, are being treated for traumatic orthopedic and burn injuries. Some had injuries so severe that they could have lost their limbs or died of infections to their wounds.

Five are being treated at the Shriners' hospital in Springfield two have been sent to the Shriners' burn hospital in Boston and one is at Baystate Medical Center in the ICU.

Officials at Shriners Hospital and Baystate Medical Center released the details at a news conference Thursday afternoon. Springfield area doctors and nurses working in Haiti helped initiate the transport. Creole speaking student from American International College volunteered as translators when the contingent arrived.

The children will receive treatment over the next few weeks and will be returned to their families in Haiti when they recover.

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