

IT ALL ADDS UP

It's been a very busy few months at Abbott. We've created a new website to communicate Abbott's sustainability and social impact, gained insights on our continued progress and results in sustainability from DJSI, and highlighted work to strengthen cybersecurity in an increasingly connected healthcare industry.

See updates on these and other topics below – and as always, we'd like to hear from you too – we welcome your [feedback!](#)

TOP STORY

Stories of progress and impact

We recently launched a new site – [Abbott.com/responsibility](#) – to better communicate our work to deliver positive social and environmental impact through sustainable business.

The new section includes engaging stories, videos and photos that show the human side of Abbott's work across our businesses and in partnership with others. You'll also find data, facts and graphics that demonstrate our progress in delivering strong economic, social and environmental results.

We encourage you to click around the [new site](#) – and [let us know](#) what you think!

IN CASE YOU MISSED IT

DJSI names Abbott industry leader for 6th consecutive year

The Dow Jones Sustainability Index named Abbott the industry leader in sustainable, responsible business. This is the sixth consecutive year leading our industry, and the 14th consecutive year we've been on both the World Index and North America Index. [More](#)

Advancing cybersecurity in the connected hospital

In today's digital world, the rise of connected health is transforming patient care – and also highlighting a need for heightened cybersecurity. Abbott worked with Brunswick Insights to hear from physicians and hospital administrators, and developed a white paper with The Chertoff Group to explore the challenges. You can access the white paper, news release and infographic [here](#).

Recognition for pioneering emergency medicine

For nearly two decades, we've worked to provide extraordinary people with the support they need to transform health in East Africa – including creating a leading ER and residency training program. One of these extraordinary people is Dr. Upendo George. Today's she's one of the first female doctors in the ER. And far from the last. To see more of her story, see the video [here](#).

Abbott and the Abbott Fund were recently honored for this important work with a 2018 Corporate Citizens Award for Best Health and Wellness Program from the U.S. Chamber of Commerce Foundation. [More](#)

Support for California wildfire relief

Our thoughts are with everyone impacted by the wildfires in California. To help families in need and first responders, Abbott and the Abbott Fund are working together with the American Red Cross, Direct Relief and Feeding America to provide relief in communities affected by the Camp Fire in Northern California and the Woolsey Fire in Southern California. [More](#), [More](#) and [More](#)

Healthier futures for women and children

During UN General Assembly week in New York, Abbott joined the [Organization of African First Ladies Against HIV/AIDS \(OAFILA\)](#) to discuss progress in accelerating actions to end AIDS in children and keep mothers healthy, including the "Free To Shine" campaign led by OAFILA and the African Union and including the WHO, UNAIDS, UNICEF, UNDP, the Elizabeth Glaser Pediatric AIDS Foundation (EGPAF), AIDS Accountability International and Abbott. [More](#)

Taking "action" for Hunger Action Month

In September, Abbott volunteers in 8 countries across 3 continents worked to support local food banks for Hunger Action Month, helping to pack food for families in need. [More](#)

Celebrating Day of the Girl, all year

October 11 was International Day of the Girl. This year, we shared examples of how we work every day to empower women and girls, across our company and in our communities – from dairy farms in India, to labs and classrooms where we inspire girls to discover STEM. [More](#) and [More](#)

Fighting malnutrition with a better rice

For World Food Day, we took a look at our work to apply nutrition science to create a better rice – Ultra Rice. [More](#) and [More](#)

SPOTLIGHT

Since 2006, global nonprofit [Malaria No More](#) has been a leader in mobilizing the political commitment, funding and innovation required to end one of the world's the greatest health challenges – malaria.

During that time, Malaria No More has played an important role in delivering historic progress in the malaria fight, providing both global and local leadership in advocacy, communications and technical support to combat the disease around the world.

Eradicating malaria will be one of humanity's greatest accomplishments – but with a child still dying every two minutes from a mosquito bite, it will take significant work and partnership across sectors to achieve this ambitious goal. That's why Abbott's rapid diagnostics business has partnered together with Malaria No More to advance the development of malaria, including donating 2 million malaria rapid diagnostic tests (RDTs) for use in Zambia, Kenya and Nigeria in recent years. Abbott also has provided \$1 million in grant funding to advance Malaria No More's global advocacy work.

And looking ahead, we're excited to launch on this work to launch a partnership to end malaria in Odisha, India, the state with the highest disease burden in the country. More to come on that in early 2019.

WHAT WE'RE READING

- [Time to double down on malaria](#). Peter Sands, the executive director of The Global Fund, shares perspective on what's at stake in the battle to eliminate malaria, and the path ahead. This urgency is echoed in the [World Malaria Report 2018](#) released by the World Health Organization, which shows that "after an unprecedented period of success in global malaria control, progress has stalled."
- [Opinion: How public-private partnerships can tackle global health challenges](#). Abbott's Damian Halloran recently posted an opinion piece on public-private partnerships on Devex.
- [Being the Change: 12 Ways Foundations Are Transforming Themselves to Transform Their Impact](#). This report from FSG highlights how foundations are adopting new approaches for delivering social impact at scale and changing systems.

WHAT'S NEXT

- We'll share updates on our efforts in India and Ireland to advance responsible business with local-country sustainability updates.
- Every year, Abbott employees in the U.S. take part in our Employee Giving Campaign, where our employees support causes they care about most. The result? \$30 million given to 5000+ charities over the past five years. We look forward to sharing the results from our 2018 campaign.