



IT ALL ADDS UP

We hit the ground running in 2019, with a novel partnership to fight malaria in new ways. Fortune, Forbes and Just Capital recently recognized our performance as a responsible and sustainable business, and we shared insights on how we integrate sustainability across our business with our Sustainability Highlights. 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



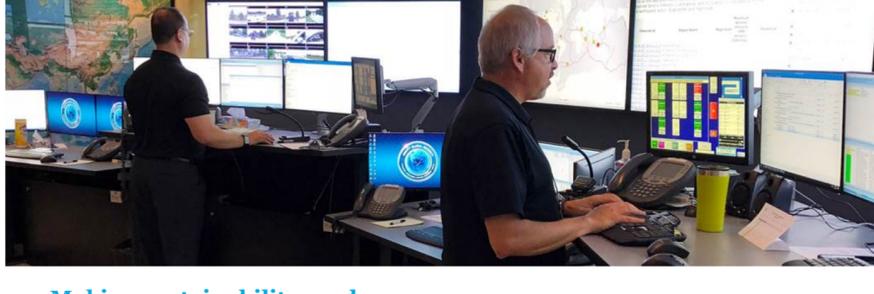
Malaria free by 2030

Eliminating malaria. It's an ambitious part of the 2030 Sustainable Development Goals – but achieving it will require a global effort and novel new approaches.

Building on our global leadership in malaria testing, Abbott is joining forces with Malaria No More and the state Government of Odisha to develop a new model for fighting malaria – one that holds great promise for advancing the malaria fight across India, and around the world. [more](#)



IN CASE YOU MISSED IT



Making sustainability work

For a glimpse at how a global company integrates sustainability across its operations, from our life-changing technologies to building more resilient local businesses, see our Sustainability Highlights report. It includes examples from all of our businesses: diagnostics, medical devices, nutrition and branded generic medicines. [more](#)



Fortune, Forbes and Just Capital highlight sustainable business

Fortune magazine recently shared its list of the World's Most Admired Companies, and named Abbott the industry leader for the sixth consecutive year, including leadership in social responsibility, people management and long-term investment value, among others. [more](#)

In the U.S., Forbes and Just Capital included Abbott on their Most Just Companies list, highlighting the corporate leaders that are treating employees, customers, communities and the environment well. [more](#) and [more](#)



Filling a big need for the little ones

The Amplatzer Piccolo Occluder may never be a household name, or a big revenue generator for shareholders. But for families with premature babies with a life-threatening heart defect, this tiniest of innovative devices – smaller than a pea – is a lifesaver. [more](#) and [more](#)



#STEMSisters call for change

Women are less than a quarter of today's STEM workforce. But dedicated Abbott women scientists and engineers are working to change that, encouraging and inspiring young girls around the world to pursue STEM education and careers. Learn about our STEM Sisters: [more](#)



Connected devices driving the future of healthcare

Data-driven medical devices advance testing and care for everything from diabetes to heart failure today. And through artificial intelligence, these connected devices are providing data-driven insights that are mapping out an even healthier tomorrow. [more](#) and [more](#)

SPOTLIGHT



For more than three decades, [Partners In Health](#) (PIH) has worked closely with local governments and alongside communities to design and deliver public health programs, with a commitment to accompanying the people and communities they serve for the long term. Today, this work reaches countries around the globe, delivering high-quality care and social services in some of the world's most underserved communities.

PIH also is looking ahead to the future of medical education and health systems with the recent [dedication of the University of Global Health Equity \(UGHE\)](#) in Butaro, Rwanda. A different kind of university, UGHE pairs education in human rights and social justice with rigorous, community-based medical training, with an innovative focus on the social determinants of health and complex healthcare delivery systems.

Abbott has been a longtime supporter of Partners In Health, including a comprehensive [partnership in Haiti](#) to expand local production of PIH's Nourimanba, a life-saving peanut-based treatment for severe malnutrition. Working together with the local community, Abbott and PIH built the Nourimanba Production Facility (SPN, or Sant Prodiksyon Nourimanba in Haitian Creole) in Central Haiti. Managed and staffed by a [Haitian team](#) and sourcing peanuts from local farmers, the facility is an important source of economic activity in the area, providing jobs and opportunity.

The Haiti facility will soon take an important step toward sustainable operations by expanding its production to include new spicy peanut butter products developed by [Acceso Haiti](#), a social agribusiness that works with a network of 3,000+ Haitian peanut farmers. The [peanut butter](#) is available on a local recipe and made with peanuts from Acceso's farmer network. All will be available for sale soon at retail outlets in the U.S. – with profits supporting both the facility and local farms.

WHAT WE'RE READING AND VIEWING

- The [New York Times](#) and [Axios](#) provided insightful coverage of the 2019 World Economic Forum in Davos, including continued discussions around ESG.
- [Purpose and Prosperity: How U.S. Businesses Are Creating Impact in Africa](#). This inaugural report from the U.S.-Africa Business Center highlights the economic and social impact of U.S. businesses across the continent, including a Leader Perspective from Harvard Kennedy School's Jane Nelson, and a [profile of our work to strengthen health systems in East Africa](#).
- The [Kigali UHC Communiqué](#), announced at the Africa Health 2019 conference in Kigali, Rwanda, highlighted the shared commitment of 11 African governments to strengthen health systems and advance Universal Health Coverage. Rwanda's Minister of Health, Dr. Diane Gashumba, shared additional perspective in an [interview on CNBC Africa](#).
- [Edelman on Trust at Work](#). One of the key takeaways from the 2019 Edelman Trust Barometer was the emergence of employers as the most trusted voice for survey participants – pointing to a new employer-employee contract Edelman calls "Trust at Work."

WHAT'S NEXT



- At the recent [Global Food Security Symposium 2019](#) we contributed to a great discussion on water conservation and food security – we'll share more soon.
- We're looking forward to the [Shared Value Leadership Summit 2019](#) coming up in May in Boston.
- Reuters' [Sustainable Development Goals series](#) highlights the critical role of business in advancing the SDGs - we'll be sharing an update on our work soon.

