Cuba Trains Doctors for the World



Havana, July 30 (RHC) — A total of 2,492 new medical specialists graduated this year from the Havana-based University of Medical Sciences, who will offer their services in Cuba and in other nations of the world, since out of 1,383 medical doctors, 879 are nationals of other countries.

The new professionals graduated in the specialties of medicine, nursing, dentistry, health technologies and psychology.

The recent 2013-2014 school year in Cuba closed with the graduation of 24,342 new health professionals throughout the country, out of whom 20,773 are Cuban and 3,569 are from 77 nations.

During a recent visit to the island the director general of the World Health Organization (WHO), Margaret Chan, stressed the role being played by Cuba in the training of doctors for other countries, including the United States, what she described as "a generous, supportive and free contribution to those who need it and an incredible commitment to the world."

Chan said that the world needs thousands of doctors and nurses and stressed the training by Cuba of health professionals for Asia, Africa, North America and Latin America. She also highlighted the role of Cuban researchers and scientists for their commitment and solidarity. The fruit of their work will benefit many people around the world, stressed the WHO executive.

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