

# Navy Brings Aloha to Cambodia

University of Hawaii at Manoa nurses and engineers are part of the Pacific Partnership team that is finishing up a summer-long journey to Southeast Asia, visiting Indonesia, the Philippines, Vietnam and Cambodia, where they will complete their mission this week. Pacific Partnership – “Preparing in Calm to Respond in Crisis” – is an annual Pacific Fleet humanitarian and civic assistance mission to build stronger relationships and disaster response capabilities in the Asia Pacific region.

Pacific Partnership brings together eight partner nations, 12 non-government organizations, and the capabilities of the hospital ship USNS Mercy in Cambodia. It is the largest annual humanitarian and civic assistance mission in the Asia-Pacific region, ensuring that the international community is better prepared to work together as a coordinated force when disaster, such as an earthquake or tsunami, strikes.

PP12 Blog: <http://pacificpartnership.wordpress.com/>

UH in the field: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/-navyregionhawaii/sets/72157630936442968/>

PP12 in Cambodia: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/compacflt/sets/-72157630805926046/>

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Navy Region Hawaii, working with University of Hawaii at Manoa School of Nursing and hospital ship USNS Mercy, is organizing interviews with UH nurses in Cambodia and/or here in Hawaii 7-10 August. The participants can talk about their experiences in Southeast Asia (including Vietnam). We can provide video or photo resources. Please email us (be sure to include [Sonja.lohmeyer@mercy.navy.mil](mailto:Sonja.lohmeyer@mercy.navy.mil), too) if we can help arrange an interview!