



# EPICH SEMINAR SERIES

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## **Batey Relief Alliance Response to the Needs of Mothers and Children in the Dominican Bateyes: A Human Rights Approach**



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Founder, President, and CEO of Batey Relief Alliance*

Batey Relief Alliance was launched in 1997 to address the living conditions of families living in the Dominican bateyes communities established by Haitian migrants brought to the Dominican Republic as a source of low-cost labor to work in the sugar cane fields. The mission of Batey Relief Alliance is to address the socio-economic and health conditions of women, children, and families severely affected by extreme poverty, disease, and hunger in these communities. Employing a humanitarian approach, the organization has reached over 2.5 million people over a 20 year period with direct health services, public health programs, education, and community outreach. Many of the families living in the bateyes face discrimination and racism, and have been systematically excluded from the larger system of care in the country. This presentation will provide an overview of the humanitarian and human-rights based approach that Batey Relief Alliance has implemented to serve families living in the bateyes.

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