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HAVANA, Cuba (ACN): More than 26,000 Surinamese patients have been treated by Cuban doctors who are working in Suriname as part of a cooperation agreement between the two countries.

The Cuban Public Health Minister and his Suriname counterpart established a cooperation accord by which the island included the CARICOM nation in its Comprehensive Health Program that offers medical care to many countries in the world, according to diplomatic sources.

The medical brigade, which began working in Suriname late April, 2007, includes experts in general medicine, anesthesiology, internal medicine, pediatrics, pharmacology, epidemiology, nurses specializing in extracorporeal dialysis and one electro medicine technician.

The Cuban doctors were distributed in coastal areas and places that are hard to reach as well as in the capital of the country. In all these places, they are highly respected and acknowledged by the Suriname people and health authorities.

During the 3rd Cuba-Suriname Joint Commission held February 28 and 29, 2008, in Suriname, the two nations agreed to continue with the collaboration with the health sector and to expand the help to education, agriculture and sports, among other fields.

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