TSFRE/Edwards Lifesciences Foundation Every Heartbeat Matters 2015 Award Recipients*

Ralph M. Bolman, III, MD
Brigham & Women's Hospital
“Increasing Access to Reduce the Burden of Rheumatic Heart Disease in Rwanda”
Region: Rwanda, Sub-Saharan Africa/Funding Amount: $37,500

Emily A. Farkas, MD
Cardiostart International
“Establishing a Not-For-Profit Cardiac Surgical Program at Kathmandu University Dhulikhel Hospital”
Region: Nepal, Kathmandu Valley, Dhulikhel/Funding Amount: $11,000

Frederick L. Grover, MD
University of Colorado School of Medicine
“Enhancing Access to Care and Treatment of Cardiovascular Disease in Nepal”
Region: Nepal/Funding Amount: $37,000

V. Mohan Reddy, MD
Stanford University
“Building Capacity for Pediatric Heart Valve Disease in Southeast Asia”
Region: Southeast Asia: India, Malaysia/Funding Amount: $27,000

J. Nilas Young, MD
University of California Davis Medical Center
“Educating Cardiac Surgeons and Cardiologists on: (1) The Prevalence of Valvular Heart Disease, (2) The Consequences for Underserved Populations, and (3) Appropriate Medical, Surgical, and Interventional Treatment Options”
Region: Chelyabinsk, Ural Federation District, Russian Federation/Funding Amount: $37,500

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