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Thanks to a generous commitment from *OWP Pharmaceuticals*, the ROW Foundation is making medication grants of Roweepra® (levetiracetam tablets USP) to the Loreto Health Services Center in Makeni, Sierra Leone. The center is located in the country's Northern Province and provides care for about 650 patients monthly. Services provided include maternal and child health care, obstetrics, post-natal care and immunization, the treatment of malaria, acute respiratory infection, skin infections, typhoid, and epilepsy.

Sierra Leone is a beautiful country located in West Africa that is home to more than 7 million people. Unfortunately, it is dramatically under-resourced in terms of its ability to diagnose and treat epilepsy. According to the British organization *Medical Assistance Sierra Leone*, 95% of people with epilepsy there are NOT on medication.

This medication grant is only possible through ROW's partnership with *The Healey International Relief Foundation (HealeyIRF)*. Founded in 2001, HealeyIRF is a 501(c)3 private foundation established to improve the quality of life of vulnerable individuals and families in Sierra Leone who have long been affected by civil war and adverse socioeconomic conditions.



*A Sierra Leonean undergoing an EEG Study*

The Healey International Relief Foundation currently supports four hospitals and ten clinics throughout Sierra Leone, including the Loreto Health Services Center. ROW grants the medication to HealeyIRF, which in turn uses the medication to better equip the Loreto Health Services Center for treating epilepsy patients.

As with all our medication grants, the ROW Foundation is committed to providing a steady and sustainable supply of anti-seizure medication for Makeni. If the project goes well, opportunities may arise to provide medication grants for other locations supported by HealeyIRF.

Thank you, *Healey International Relief Foundation*, for your partnership with the ROW Foundation in achieving our goal of **One World, One Standard®**, one patient at a time!

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