Dr. Bastien Makes Donation to Puerto Rico on Behalf of SHLI Global Health Committee at Haitian Mental Health Summit



Gigi Bastien, Ph.D., associate project director of SHLI's Division of Behavioral Health, recently represented MSM at an annual <u>Haitian Mental Health Summit</u> co-sponsored by the University of Miami and Rebati Sante Mantale (a non-profit organization dedicated to establishing an effective mental health system that is fully integrated in health services, research, policy, and health financing in Haiti). The summit was held at the Albizu University campus in Miami and was attended by health and mental health professionals interested in the advancement of wellness in Haiti and in the Haitian diaspora (including the lead for the Mental Health Unit of Haiti's Ministry of Health, and the president of Haiti's Psychological Association, to name a few).

As a part of this meeting, Albizu University coordinated a donation drive as a component of a broader relief effort aimed at responding to the needs of hurricane-affected communities in Puerto Rico. On behalf of the SHLI's Global Health Committee, Dr. Bastien presented the university's Provost Dr. Etiony Aldarondo with items donated by the SHLI staff.