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In addition to his pediatric plastic surgery clinical practice, he has had a longstanding interest in global surgery with over 20 years of experience. This has culminated in developing an NGO, Nuoy Reconstructive International, that is primarily based in Vietnam to deliver not only surgical care, but also focuses on long-term partnerships with international surgeons to improve education and capacity building. He has been invited to lecture, operate and help build programs in over 14 countries and three continents. With his appointment as AVC of Global Surgery at CU Medicine, he is also focused on bridging the intersection of academic, governmental and NGO stakeholders to optimize global surgical programmatic development.