

WAR VICTIMS REHABILITATION" PROJECT BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA

THE STANDING COMMITTEE MEETINGS
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WAR CONSEQUENCE

- ❖ More than 70.000 people need some form of physical rehabilitation due to war caused injuries
- ❖ More than 20.000 persons have some form of permanent disability and more than 7.000 are amputees
- ❖ More than 15% of the total population suffer from some mental disorders due to the war

MAJOR REASONS FOR THE REFORM

- Irrationality and inefficiency of inherited model
- Health services inequity regarding access and quality
- War consequences: Change of epidemiological pattern (large number of injured and disabled, increase of mental disorders, cardiac and cerebrovascular diseases....), Health facilities and medical equipment devastated, Flight of medical professionals, Lack of financial resources

"WAR VICTIMS REHABILITATION" PROJECT COMPONENTS

1. **Community based rehabilitation /CBR/ centres; 38 for physical and 38 for mental rehabilitation**
2. Production of prosthesis and orthosis –network of 6 units
3. Orthopaedic and reconstructive surgery-all prewar facilities

CBR: FROM THE IDEA TO REALIZATION

BiH Government accepted the CBR concept

Financial resources were requested from the WB and other donors

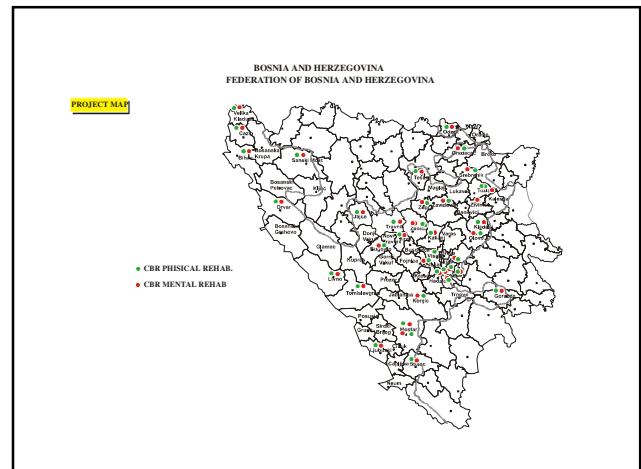
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COMMUNITY REHABILITATION

- ❖ 38 CBRs in FBiH + 22 CBRs in RS
- ❖ Catchment area: 50 - 80.000 inhabitants
- ❖ space 150 - 250 m²
- ❖ The Staff : 4 physiotherapist and 1 physiatrist
- ❖ Coverage 50.000 -70.000 citizens
- ❖ Within primary health care (primary or basic health care because of accessibility)
- ❖ Possibility of home visit (mobility)

COMMUNITY REHABILITATION

- Strengthening the role of persons with disabilities (ASOCIATIONS – program for elimination of barrier or participation in creating of law)
- Training –education of teams employed in centers, education of community and family



HOSPITAL SYSTEM CHARACTERISTIC

- expensive for establishment
- rarely decentralized
- hard to access
- advantages are given to equipment rather than to skills
- expensive maintenance

CBR SYSTEM CHARACTERISTICS

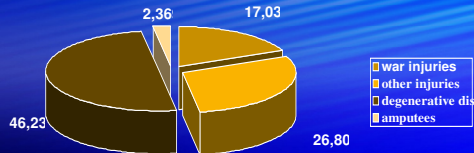
- ❖ cheaper for establishment
- ❖ cost effective
- ❖ easy to decentralize
- ❖ easy to access
- ❖ more efficient
- ❖ easy to maintain

EDUCATION AND ACCREDITATION

- ❖ Education is a basis for a high quality care
- ❖ Standardization
- ❖ Need to develop guidelines and protocols

EVALUATION

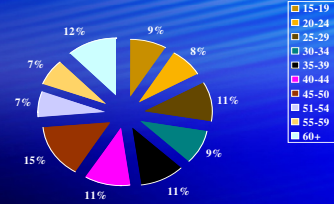
COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION /CBR/ CENTRES- TYPE OF DISORDERS



About 50% are patients with war related and other injuries

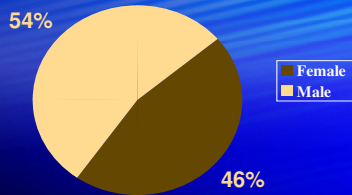
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Age of persons with disabilities



Majority persons with disabilities (15%) between 45-50

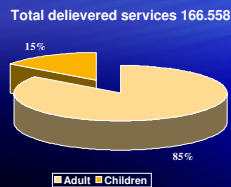
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Gender of persons with disabilities

COMMUNITY BASED REHABILITATION /CBR/

Survey conducted in 38 Centers-16 Questions
22 Centers delivered valid data



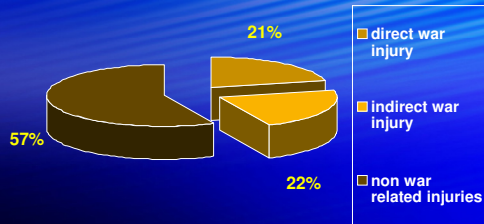
Total delivered services 166.558

Total number delivered procedures= 2.617.438

Average number of procedures per patient=15

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Cause of disability



43% direct and indirect war related injuries

1997-2007

The world is too little aware of the waste of life, limb and land which anti-personnel landmines are causing among some of the poorest people on earth.



Princess Diana

