

Yemen

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An underdeveloped health system

The Yemen population is mainly urban (80%). 43% have access to drinking water. The health situation is bad with underdeveloped infrastructures. The health expenses per person are assessed to 16\$. Between 58 and 63% of the population have access to primary health care. The infant mortality (rate) is of 102/1000.

Initiatives for the improvement of the health care of genodermatoses patients are hindered by bureaucracy constraints. The issue is not managed by the Ministry of Health nor by non governmental organisations.

Data collected by the dermatology department of Taiz Hospital

The data collect on a national level is hindered by the lack of information system. The most frequently encountered genodermatoses are xeroderma pigmentosum, ichthyosis, epidermolysis bullosa, palmoplantar keratoderma, neurofibromatosis and acrodermatitis enteropathica. Presented data have been collected at the Hospital of Taiz. For each patient the following data have been collected: name, registration date, gender, age, address (government,district, town), phone number, concerned pathology (xeroderma pigmentosum, epidermolysis bullosa, palmoplantar keratoderma, ichthyosis) and family history.



Number of cases with Epidermolysis bullosa, Ichthyosis and Palmoplantar keratoderma

Severe genodermatoses patients have a free of charge health care

The objectives to improve genodermatoses patients health care in Yemen

- Train health professionals for diagnosis
- Train health professionals for the collect of severe genodermatoses data
- Include severe genodermatoses health care in a more general context of improvement of the health situation and development of a project related to regional and international initiatives.