

The role of the Health Sector in facing violence against women

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Legal Framework

Law nº 10.778, of 11/24/2003 – Mandatory notification of cases of violence against women at health services.

Law nº 11.340, of 08/07/2006 – Maria da Penha Law. Creates mechanisms to restrain domestic and family violence against women.

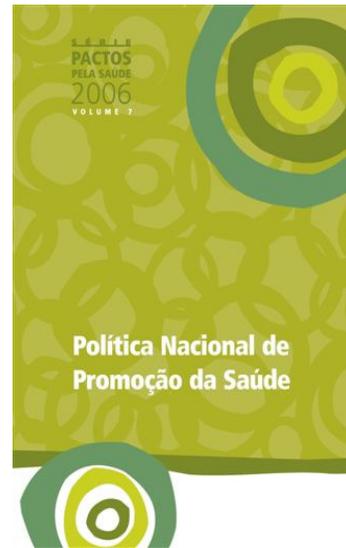
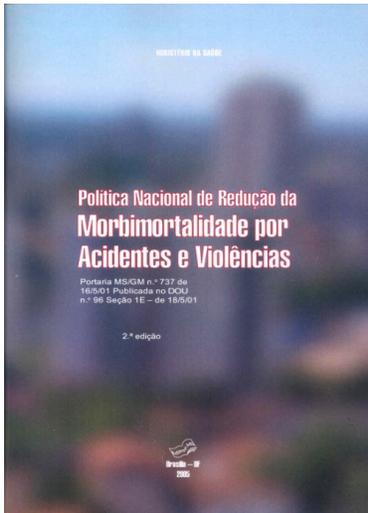
Decree nº 7.958, of 03/13/2013 – Establishes guidelines for the care for victims of sexual violence.

Law nº 12.845, of 08/01/2013 – Disposes on the compulsory and integral care for persons in sexual violence situation.

2007: National Pact to Face Violence Against Women.

2013: National Plan of Policies for Women 2013/2015

SUS' Legal Framework



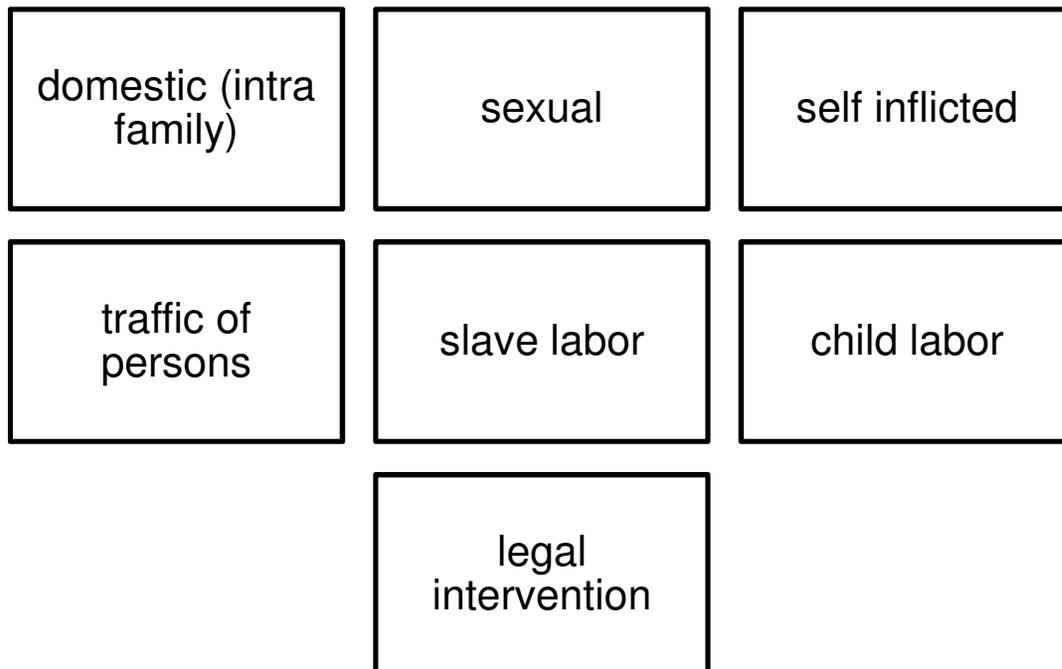
- **2001:** National Policy for the Reduction of Morbidity and Mortality by Accidents and Violence (Ordinance MS nº 737/2001)
- **2004:** National Network of Centers for Violence Prevention and Health Promotion (Ordinance MS nº 936/2004)
- **2006:** National Policy of Health Promotion (Ordinance MS nº 687/2006)
- **2006:** Violence and Accident Surveillance (VIVA) – Continuous Surveillance (VIVA SINAN) and Inquiry Surveillance (Sentinel Services)

Domestic, sexual and/or other forms of violence compose the national compulsory notification list. It includes **Sexual Violence and Attempted Suicide on the immediate notification list.**

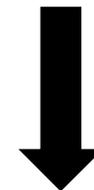
Cases for Notification

Suspected or confirmed cases

Men and Women in all life cycles



Community Violence
(extra familiar)

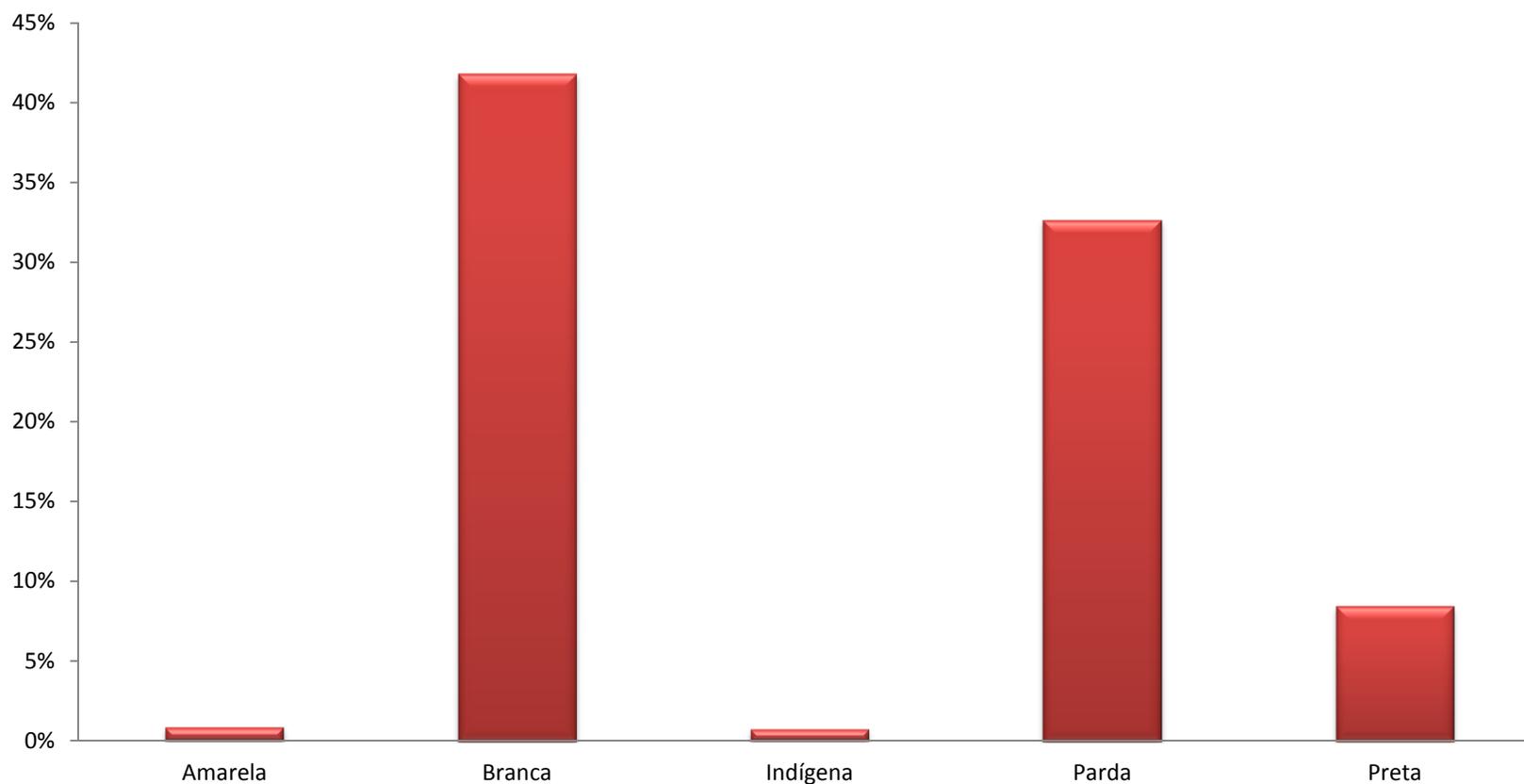


Situations foreseen in legislation:
**Children,
Adolescents, Women
and the Elderly**

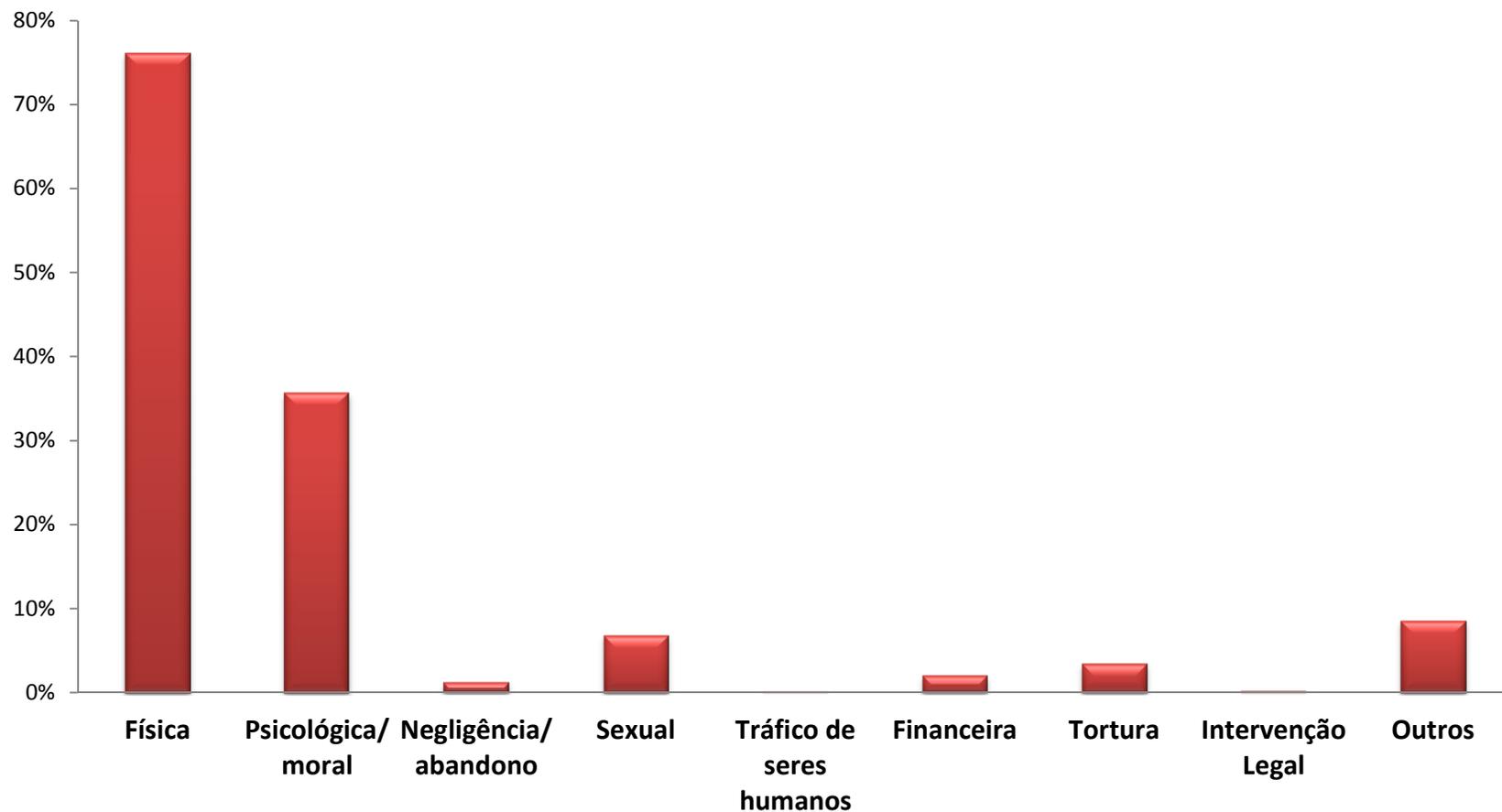
Amount of Notifying Municipalities, Amount of Notifying Health Units and Amount of Notifications of Domestic, Sexual and other forms of violence. Brazil, 2013

- 3.415 Notifying Municipalities
- 10.331 Notifying Units of Health
- 205.640 Number of Reports

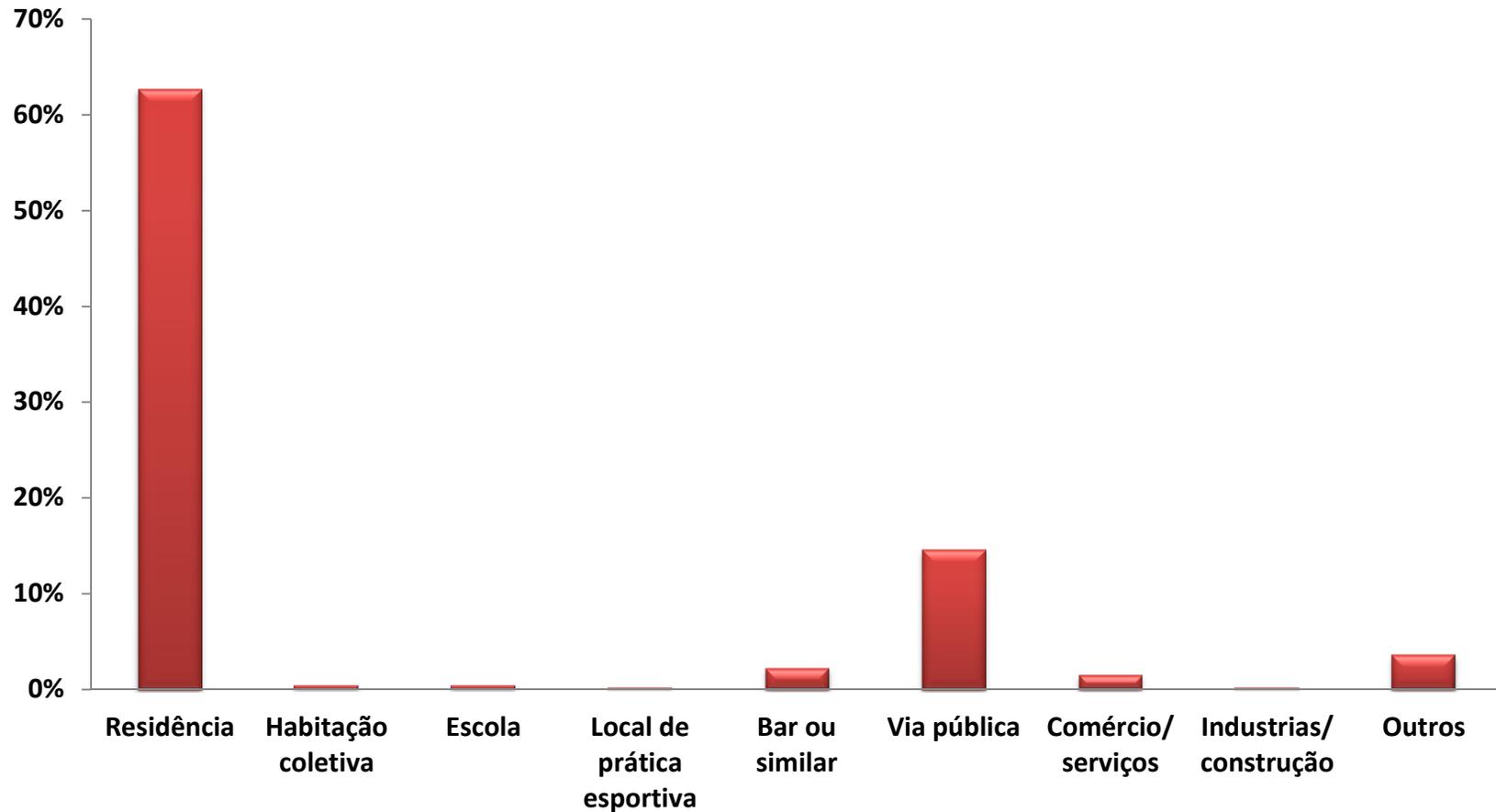
Notification of Domestic, Sexual and other forms of violence in adult women (20 to 59 years of age) according to race/color. Brazil, 2013.



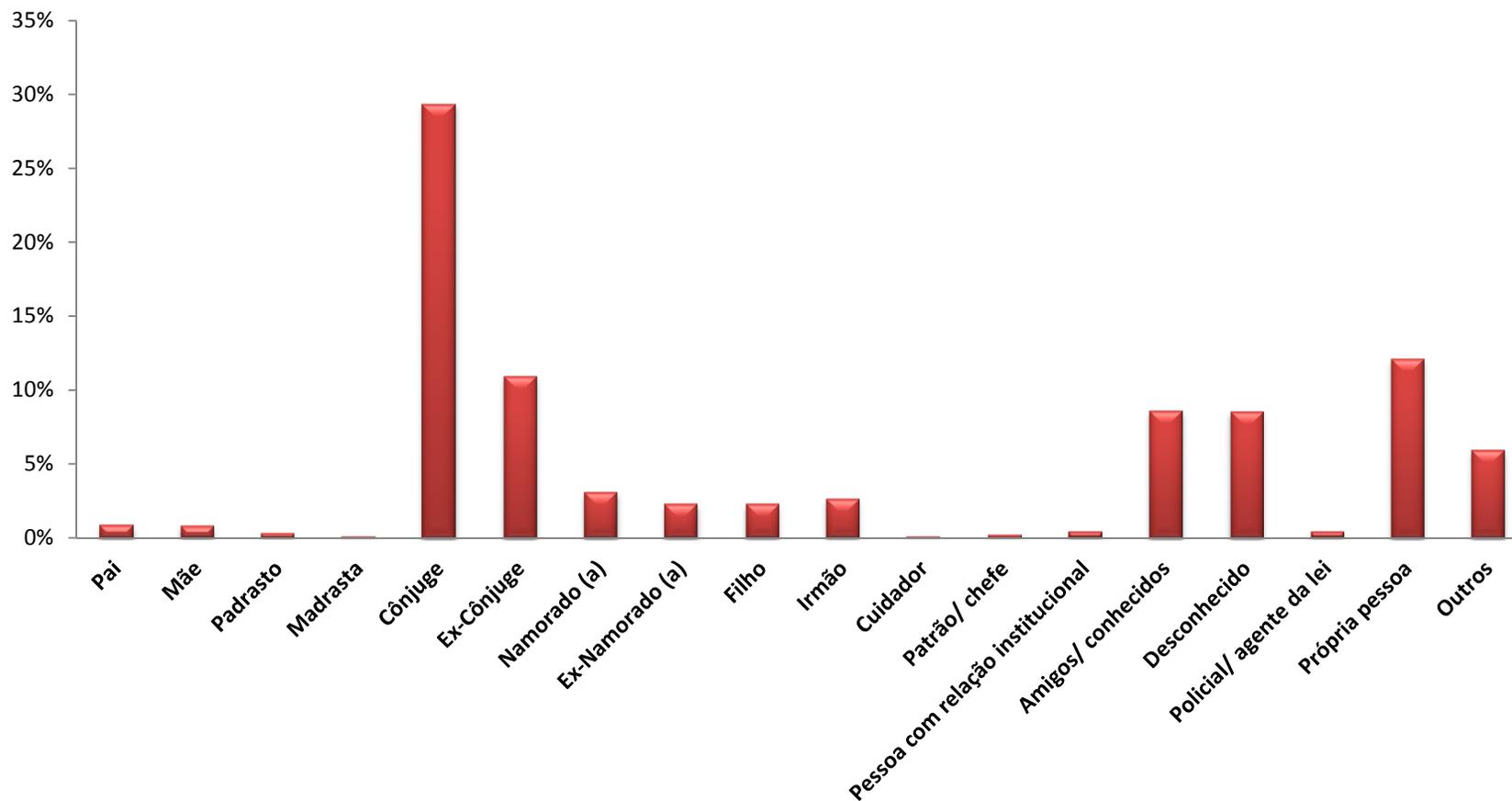
Notification of Domestic, Sexual and other forms of violence in adult women (20 to 59 years of age) according to type of violence. Brazil, 2013



Notification of Domestic, Sexual and other forms of violence in adult women (20 to 59 years of age) according to the location where it occurred. Brazil, 2013



Notification of Domestic, Sexual and other forms of violence in adult women (20 to 59 years of age) according to relationship with the victim. Brazil, 2013



Intersectoral coordination to face different forms of violence

Women Living Free of Violence Program Presidency of the Republic Coordinated by the Women Policies Secretariat.

Casa da Mulher Brasileira: Guarantee and facilitate access to public services for women;

Central 180: Hotline to receive information about violence against women in Brazil and Brazilian women living abroad (Spain, Portugal and Italy);

Coroner's Offices and Reference Hospitals for victims of sexual violence;

Center for Women Services at the Borders;

Continuous awareness campaigns;

Mobile Units for Women in violence situation in the countryside, forest and riverside communities.

Humanize and Adequate Coroner's Offices and Reference Hospitals for victims of sexual violence

- Comprehensive care services for persons in sexual violence situation with a multi professional team;
- Funding for multi professional services;
- Encourage health services to perform collection of vestiges – training and financial incentive;
- Training health workers about surveillance on sexual violence;
- Intersectoral notification of violence against women.

Conclusions

- Health surveillance can provide data about violence against women
 - making this problem **visible**
- Health services need to be prepared to notify and to provide comprehensive care;
- Intersectoral action.

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