

Vietnam



MANDATE

HI cooperates with the Vietnamese authorities to consolidate national methods, strategies and services in the field of health and rehabilitation care. HI aims to promote the sustainability of its models implemented in Vietnam to enable the local population to assist the most vulnerable people with complete autonomy.

CONTEXT

The population of Vietnam is still suffering from the after-effects of war, due to the disabilities caused by injuries and unexploded instruments of war. We have also recently noted victims of congenital defects caused by dioxin and other toxic products. The country also faces a series of modern challenges, including the HIV/AIDS epidemic, road crashes, and industrial accidents (factories, construction sites, etc). 15% of the Vietnamese population lives with disability. The country faces major challenges: access to health care for disadvantaged people, prevention of disability from pre-conception to birth, and social and economic inclusion of persons with disabilities are top priorities.

INITIAL ACTIONS

Since 1989, in response to requests from national partners (ministries or provincial institutions), HI has acted as a technical advisor in the implementation of projects focusing on prevention and rehabilitation of disabilities due to war, accidents, congenital defects, or disabling diseases.

KEY FACTS

Human Development Index (HDI) *	116/188 classified countries	Convention on the Rights of Persons	Signed 20 october 2007.	
Life expectancy*	75.8	with Disabilities (CRPD) Ratification	December 2014	
Gross National Income per capita * (PPA\$)	5 092 \$ / year	Oslo Convention on cluster	Not joined	
Population**	92,55 million	munitions		
Surface area**	330,972 sq. km	Ottawa mine ban convention	Not joined	

*UNDP : Human development report 2015

** UNSD 2015

STAFF

• National staff: 10

International staff members: 2



Advancing medical care and rehabilitation education

GOAL

To improve quality of life of persons with brain lesions (traumatic brain injury, brain stroke, cerebral palsy) by improving access to quality rehabilitation services.

METHOD

- The project mostly focuses on strengthening the technical skills and capacities (training) of rehabilitation staff (doctors, nurses, physiotherapists and occupational therapists, social workers) and community-based service providers network (community health workers, family members/care takers, volunteers, heads of village, disabled persons organizations) at hospital levels (national, provincial and district) and at community level.
- The project targets both pre-job training (by strengthening existing physiotherapy training curriculum in universities and medical schools and by setting up occupational therapy curriculum in universities) and on-job training (refreshing and upgrading training).
- The project also intervenes at national level by developing models of rehabilitation care for persons with brain lesion and lobby for their integration into the national plan for rehabilitation development in Vietnam.
- Finally, the project also works on rehabilitation care management issues through the strengthening of rehabilitation management system, data collection (quality of life, satisfaction, service outcomes) and financial accessibility of services.

INTERVENTION TYPE

Direct action in aid of populations		Through partners		
Service or care: yes	Distribution: yes	Technical support: yes	Donation of equipment: yes	Financial support: yes

BENEFICIARIES

- Persons with brain lesions (brain stroke, traumatic brain injuries, cerebral palsy)
- Rehabilitation and medical staff in hospitals and community-based rehabilitation service/support providers
- Institutions (Ministry of Health, rehabilitation association, universities, hospitals...)

PARTNERS

- Ministry and Departments of Health
- VINAREHA (Vietnam Association for Rehabilitation)
- National, provincial and district hospitals (rehabilitation departments of the hospitals) in Hanoi, Hue, Ho Chi Minh and Dong Nai provinces
- Medical universities in Hai Duong, Hue, Da Nang and Ho Chi Minh City

LOCATION

North: Hanoi and Hai Duong provinces Centre: Hue and Da Nang provinces South: Ho Chi Minh and Dong Nai provinces

FUNDING

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Extension for at least one additional year (subject to funding):	/

MAIN FUNDING BODIES

