

In Syria in 2019, 58 patients were diagnosed with HIV, suggesting the notification rate (1 per 100 000 people) had remained unchanged compared with previous years. Damascus and Aleppo, Syria's two largest cities, reported 20 and 10 patients each. WHO supported seven HIV workshops attended by 165 health workers in Damascus. Training encompassed the national protocol for managing patients with HIV, preventing the mother-to-child transmission of HIV, and other topics. In July, high-risk groups in Al-Hol camp were screened for HIV and invited to awareness and counselling sessions. No HIV cases were detected.



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