

Post rehabilitation impact on Syrian refugees with lower limb amputation

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Turkey hosts more Syrian refugees than any other country. As of May 2017, more than three million Syrian refugees were registered with the Government of Turkey. A large number of the refugees have settled in Turkey's south eastern provinces of Şanlıurfa, Hatay and Gaziantep. The 2017 Humanitarian Needs Overview (HNO) reports that trauma is a leading cause of mortality and morbidity in Syria: 30% of trauma cases result in a permanent disability requiring long-term rehabilitation care. Similarly, among 25,000 injured Syrians assessed, 67% had sustained injuries directly related to the crisis. Of these injuries, 53% were due to explosive weapons. Moreover, 15% of the victims of explosive weapons had undergone amputations. Relief International is supporting the National Syrian Project for Prosthetic Limbs in Reyhanli (Turkey) in terms of organizational capacity building funded by ECHO. Responding to the critical, lifesaving rehabilitation needs among all refugees eligible for services by the Government of Turkey, the center is providing 180 prosthetic devices to refugees with lower limb amputations

with capacity of 12 devices. Nearly 90% of the beneficiaries are war-related injuries, out of them 10% are females. Post rehabilitation impact on Syrian refugees with lower limb amputation is seeking to collect and analysis of information provides a gathered from the beneficiaries through surveys and focus group discussions that includes quantity and quality indicators that aim to monitor the functional improvements by using functional independence measure and amputee mobility predictor during assessment, discharge and follow up session after 45 days of discharge date.

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