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Since 1964, the Jerusalem Princess Basma Centre has provided rehabilitative services to children with disabilities from East Jerusalem, the West Bank and Gaza. The Jerusalem Princess Basma Centre (JPBC) located on Jerusalem's Mount of Olives is a charitable, non-governmental, non-profit organization entrusted under the Anglican Episcopal Church within the Diocese of Jerusalem. JPBC envisions for all Palestinian children with disabilities (CwD) to have increased access to quality health services and inclusive education, to be able to participate and have influence, hope and equal opportunities. Therefore, JPBC works on the integration and empowerment of CwD's and their families in their communities through their physical rehabilitation, inclusive education, the development and dissemination of best practices, and influencing policy and legislation.

JPBC is a member of the East Jerusalem Hospitals Network (EJHN) and one of the big four national rehabilitation centers in Palestine. JPBC is the main national referral centre for children with disabilities by the Palestinian Ministry of Health, for Comprehensive Rehabilitation Services.

In 2018, the Child Rehabilitation Centre passed successfully the second audit of the Joint Commission for International Accreditation (JCIA); maintaining its record of a high standard of quality service provision in the field of rehabilitation.

2019 Facts and Figures

GENERAL FIGURES:

- Beneficiaries: the total number of beneficiaries who received any kind of service at the JPBC for the year 2019 was 2608.

Child Rehabilitation Centre:

- Total number of children with disabilities who received rehabilitation services during 2019 was 1314 from East Jerusalem, West Bank and Gaza, detailed as following:
- 810 children from East Jerusalem received therapies through the Child Development Services.
- 417 children with disabilities from the West Bank and Gaza received therapies in the Child Rehabilitation Centre.
- 87 children from JPBC Inclusive School received rehabilitation services at the Child Rehabilitation Centre.
- 725 children with disabilities received assessment at JPBC clinic.
- 569 Children who received assessment at the intermediate centres in the community.

Mother's Empowerment: 417 mothers of children with disabilities from the West Bank and Gaza participated in the Mother's Empowerment Program.

Inclusive School:

- 454 children were enrolled in the Jerusalem Princess Basma Inclusive School; 173 of them are with disabilities, constituting a percentage of 38% of the total number of students. 87 students with disabilities of the school received rehabilitation services at the Child Rehabilitation Centre.

Clinical Training Program:

- 42 students from Palestinian Universities were enrolled in the clinical training program in the fields of physiotherapy, occupational therapy and special education.

Vocational Training Program:

- 22 adult persons with disabilities received vocational training at the Sheltered Workshop.

Child Rehabilitation Centre

A total number of 1,314 children from East Jerusalem West Bank and Gaza including 87 students from our inclusive school, received therapy services that included: physiotherapy, hydrotherapy, occupational therapy, speech and language therapy, and psychosocial support. Children from West Bank and Gaza were referred for treatment by the PMoH¹, PMMS² and UNRWA³, and children from East Jerusalem were referred for treatment by Medical Patient Funds⁴, or received treatment privately.

1 PMoH: Palestinian Ministry of Health

2 PMMS: Palestinian Medical Military Services

3 UNRWA: United Nations Relief and Works Agency

4 Medical Patient Funds in East Jerusalem "also known as Kopat Holim"

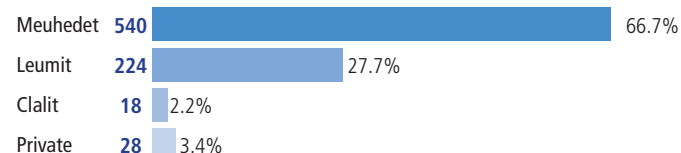
Figure 1: Type of Referral – West Bank / Gaza

Referrals / West Bank Gaza: total number of children 417



Figure 2: Type of Referral – E. Jerusalem

Referrals E. Jerusalem: total number of children 810



In addition, 87 children with disabilities enrolled in the school also received therapy services.

Therapy sessions

A total number of 14,063 therapy sessions were provided to all children referred from the West Bank and Gaza during 2019 segregated as follow:



A total of 2,316 therapy sessions were provided to children referred from the East Jerusalem area and segregated as follow:



Outreach Program

In 2019, the total number of children with disabilities who received assessment through the outreach visits and clinics was 1,294, which was done through 60 outreach visits and 116 doctor clinics reaching different Palestinian cities and villages in all the West Bank and East Jerusalem.



Table 1: Multidisciplinary outreach visits

total number of 60 multidisciplinary⁵ outreach visits were conducted among partner CBRO's⁶

Governorate	Total number of visits	Total number of children seen
Hebron	14	134
Jericho	10	77
Ramallah	10	92
Jerusalem	5	70
Jenin	6	51
Qalqilya	4	32
Tulkarem	11	113
Total	60	569

5 JPBC's multidisciplinary team consists of the Rehabilitation doctor, a physiotherapist, a speech therapist, an occupational therapist and a social worker.

6 CBRO's: Community Based Rehabilitation Organizations also know as Intermediate Level Centers.

Table 2: The Rehabilitation Doctor Clinics in Ramallah, Nablus and Jerusalem

Governorate	Total number of visits	Total number of children seen
Ramallah	41	277
Jerusalem	35	64
Nablus	40	384
Total	116	725

Type of disability

The JPBC works with children with all kinds of disabilities with focus on children with Cerebral Palsy, Neuromuscular Diseases, Pediatric Limb Deficiencies, Congenital Malformations, Post Musculoskeletal Traumas, Neurodevelopmental Disorders and Communicative Disorders (Autism Spectrum Disorder ASD and Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder ADHD).

Table 3: Types of disabilities referred from the West Bank and Gaza

Number of Children referred	Type of Disability
128	Developmental Delay Milestones
10	Congenital Malformation
33	Autism Spectrum Disorder
93	Cerebral Palsy
33	Syndromes
11	Spinal Cord Anomalies
21	Attention Deficit and Hyperactivity Disorder
22	Psychomotor Delay
66	Others
417	Total

Table 4: Types of disabilities referred from E. Jerusalem

Number of Children referred	Type of Disability
65	Developmental Delay Milestones
25	Autism Spectrum Disorder
8	Cerebral Palsy
2	Syndroms
4	Learning Difficulties
42	Language Delay
11	Others
157	Total

Age and Gender of children

The age of children admitted to the Child Rehabilitation Centre ranges from birth until 15 years old, segregated as detailed in figures 3 and 4.

Figure 3: Age and Gender – West Bank and Gaza

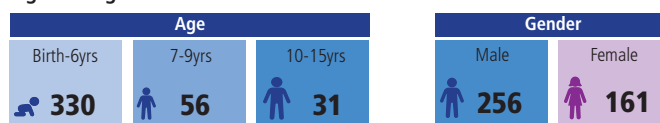
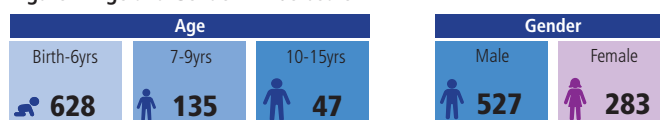


Figure 4: Age and Gender – E. Jerusalem



Inclusive Education Program "The Jerusalem Princess Basma Inclusive School"

The total number of children who were enrolled in Princess Basma School for the academic year 2019/ 2020 was 454 children from kindergarten to 12th grade. 289 were males and 165 females, while the number of children with disabilities was 173 as detailed in table 5 below.

Figure 5: School Students segregated by Gender

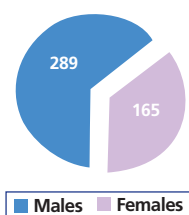


Figure 6: Percentage of children with disabilities at the Princess Basma Inclusive School

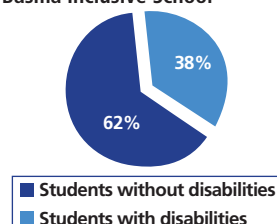


Table 5: Children with Disabilities enrolled in Princess Basma Inclusive School

Type of disability	Number of students
Autism	29
Learning Difficulties	30
Speech	8
Health	6
Visual	4
Hearing	17
Physical	78
Down Syndrome	1
Total	173

Vocational Training Program "Sheltered Workshop"

The Jerusalem Princess Basma Centre operates the Vocational Sheltered Workshop which embraces 22 adults with disabilities, of which 9 females and 13 were males. The workshop works as an avenue that provides a vocational training program in a safe environment for adult persons with disabilities from the Jerusalem area and its surroundings. The trainees gradually become more independent and integrated into the community.

In 2019, the sheltered workshop produced 1362 items of décor and home furniture and participated in 7 exhibitions throughout the year to promote the program.