

Nursing in the Humanitarian World and Nursing Care for War Injuries

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Who We Are



- MHA, MN focus on care system
- 40 years Nursing Career
- 14 years Humanitarian World
- Mix emergency and development



- 15 years ICRC teaching and hospital management
- Mix of emergency response and development of nursing training programs in humanitarian settings



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Definition of Humanitarian Work

Multiple Definitions but all include:

- **Response to** natural or man-made **disaster**
- **Assistance**
(financial, material, logistical, advocacy)
- Goal to **save lives**, alleviate suffering, maintain human dignity
- Based on basic **humanitarian principles**
(impartiality and neutrality)



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Impact of Nursing on the Humanitarian World

Nurses and Midwives are responsible for **80% of the world's health care delivery**

(Nightingale Declaration Statement)

- Global Nursing Shortage (*WHO*)
 - Especially prevalent in developing countries
 - Economic implications
 - Human Resource implications
 - Unfairly distributed resources
- Result
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- Insufficient nursing staff
 - Lack of health care
 - Poor quality of care



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Importance of Humanitarian Nurses



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The ICRC in the Humanitarian World



The ICRC Mission and Mandate:

ICRC is an independent, neutral organization ensuring humanitarian protection and assistance for victims of armed conflict and OSV, responding to emergencies, at the same time promoting respect for IHL and Geneva Conventions



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ICRC Specialized Nursing in Humanitarian World

- ICRC long history **working in conflict situations**
- Specialization in **nursing care of WW** patients
- **Partnership** with in-country health authorities and structures to develop training and knowledge
- Crisis and developmental **Guidelines for WW Nursing Care**

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The Nurse in the Field

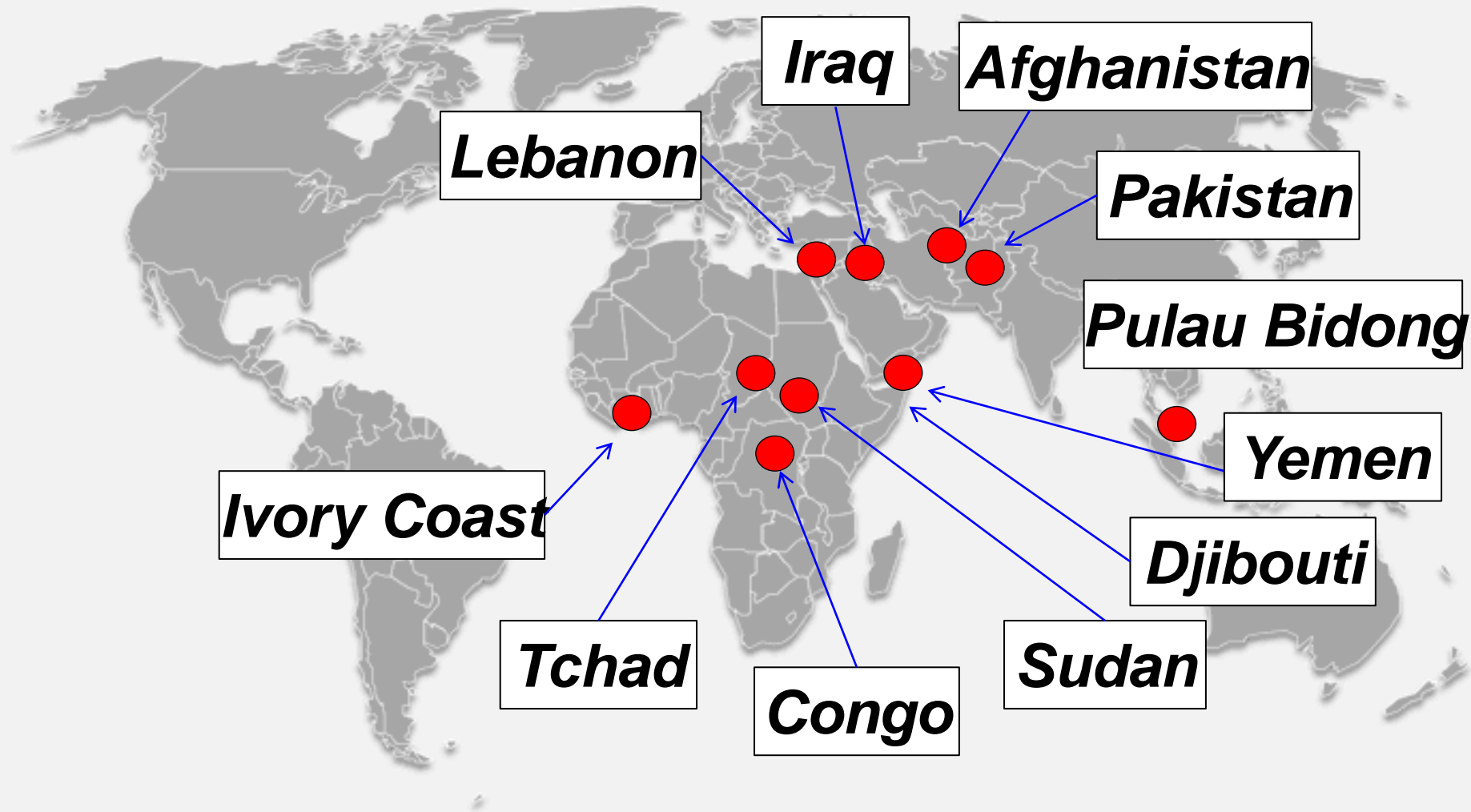
Nurse Training

Nursing Care of War Wounded



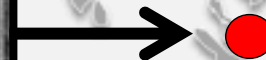
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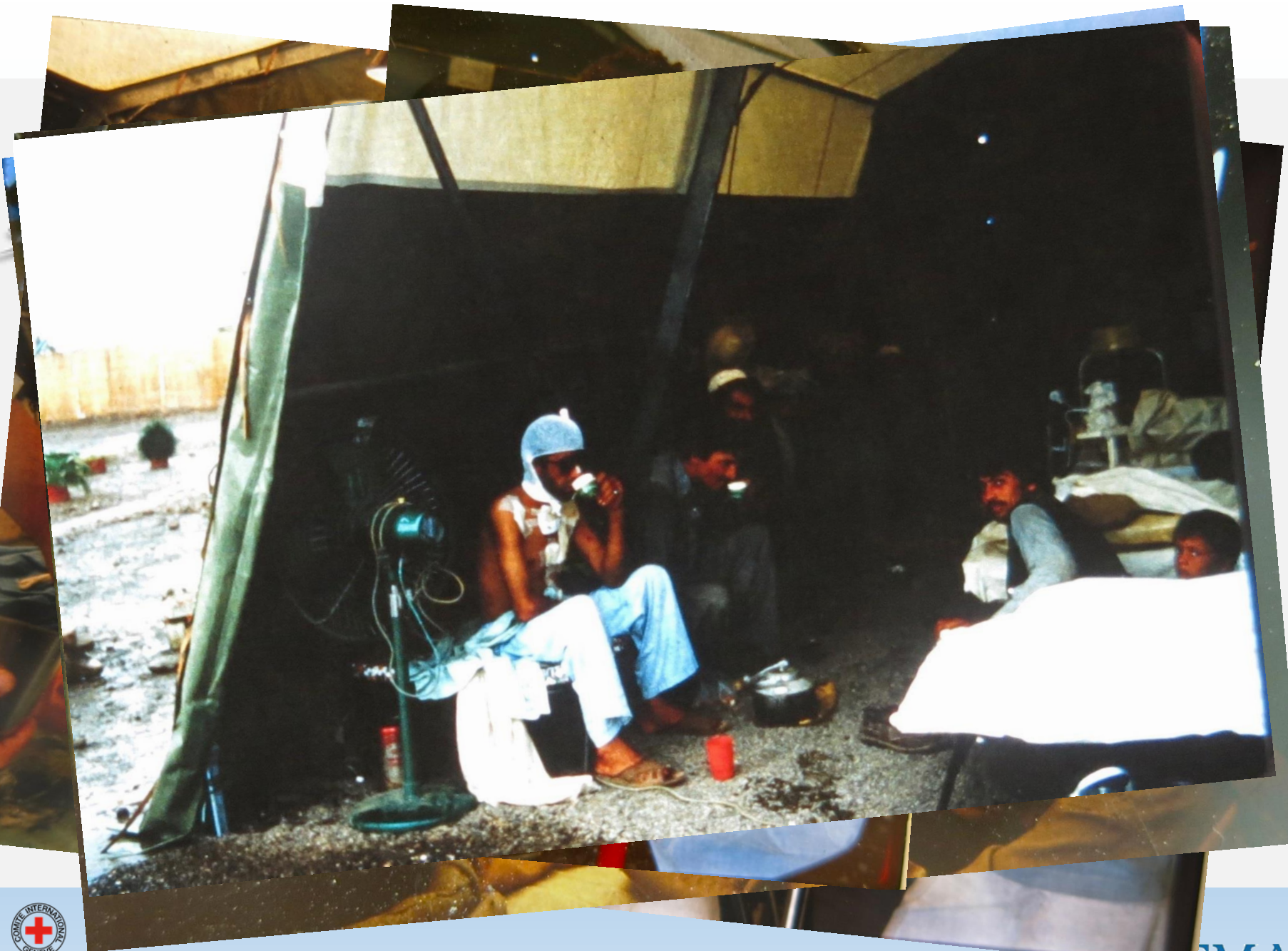
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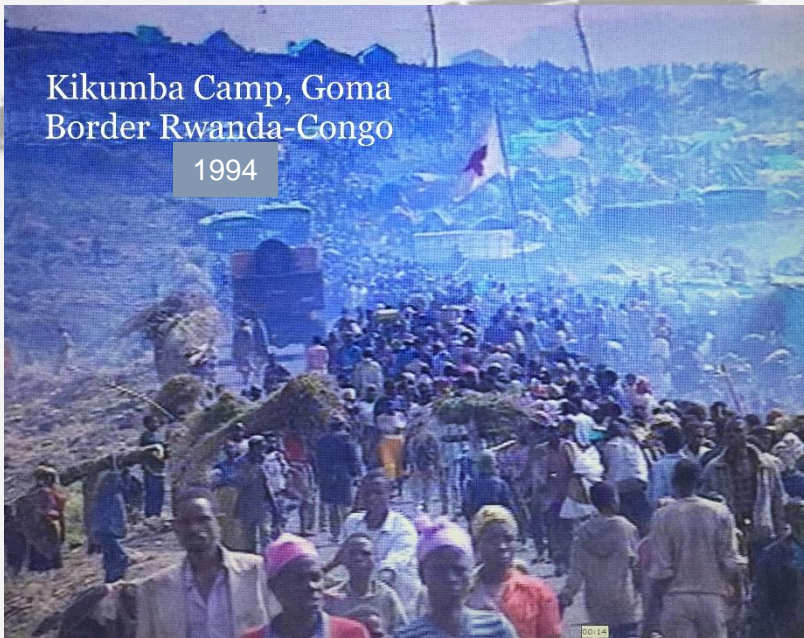
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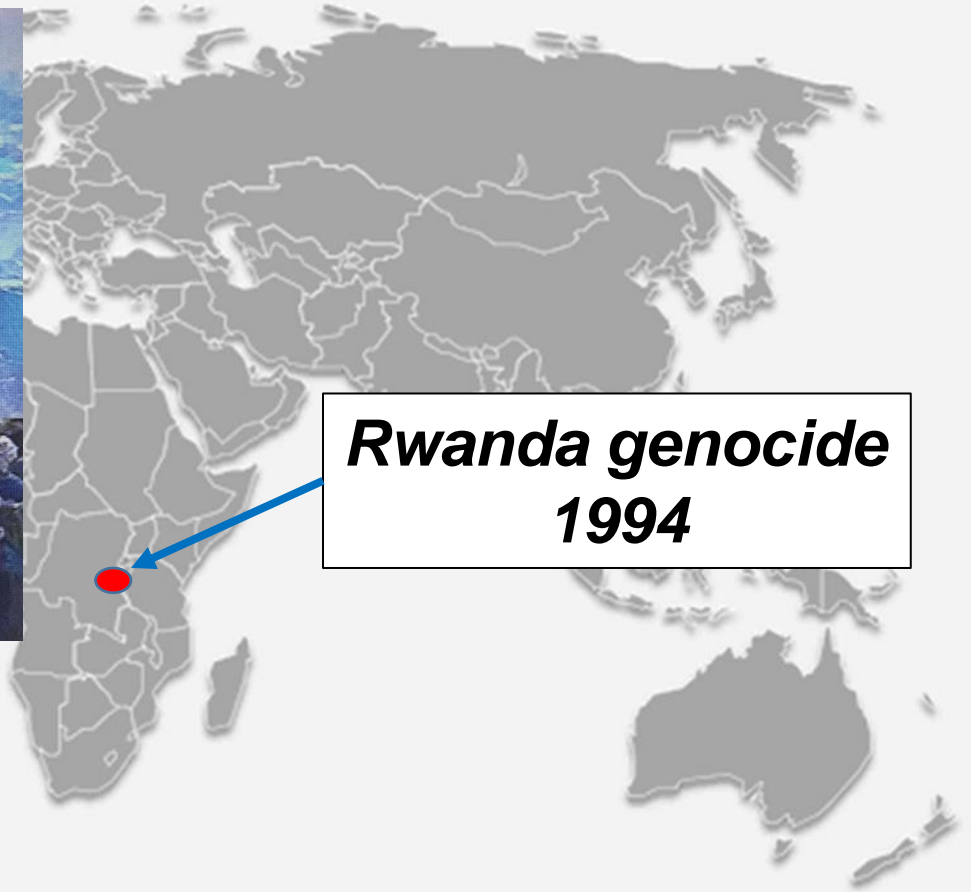


Kikumba Camp, Goma
Border Rwanda-Congo

1994



***Rwanda genocide
1994***



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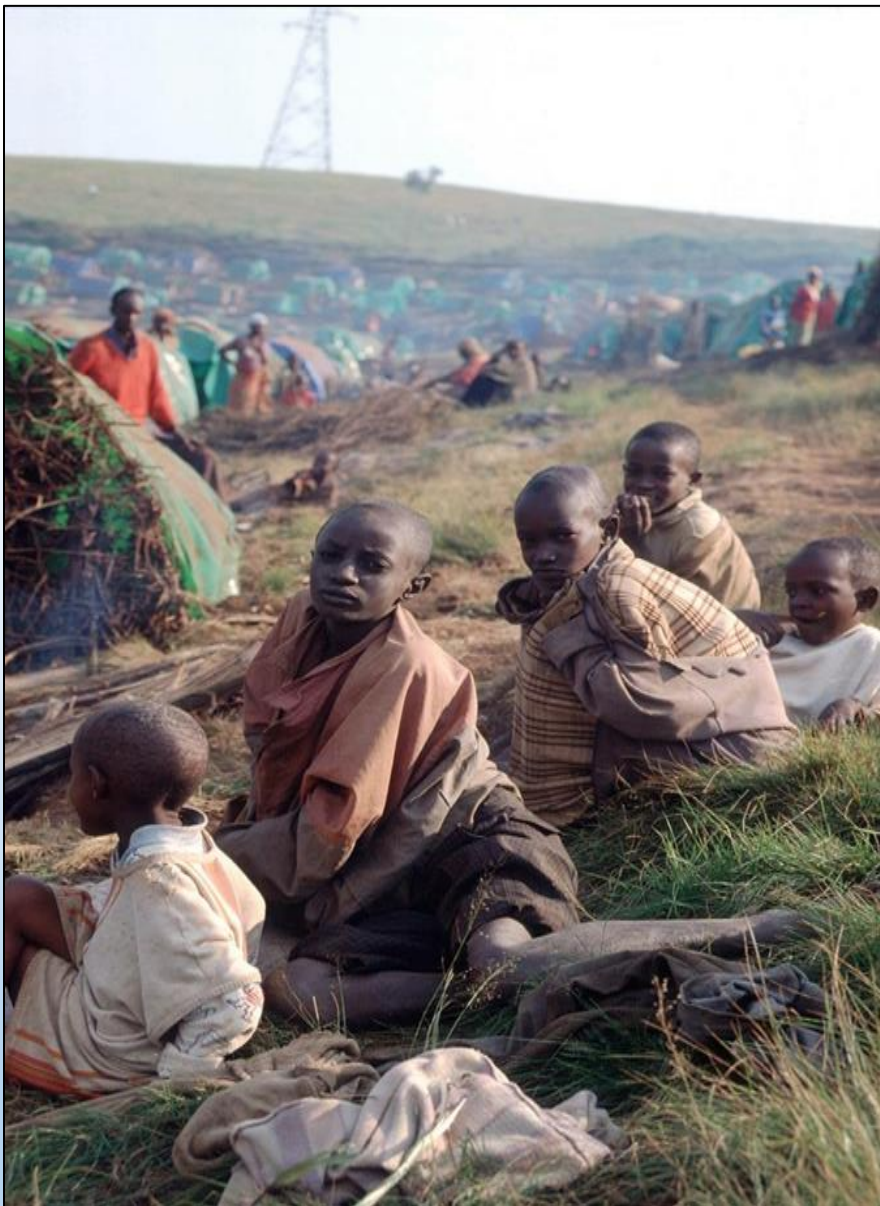
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Resilience



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Avoid the Graves..



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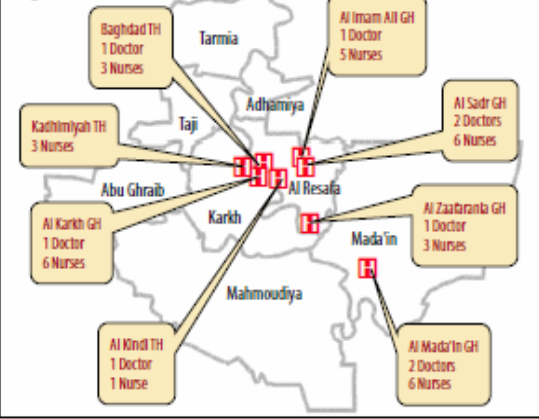
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Nursing Education

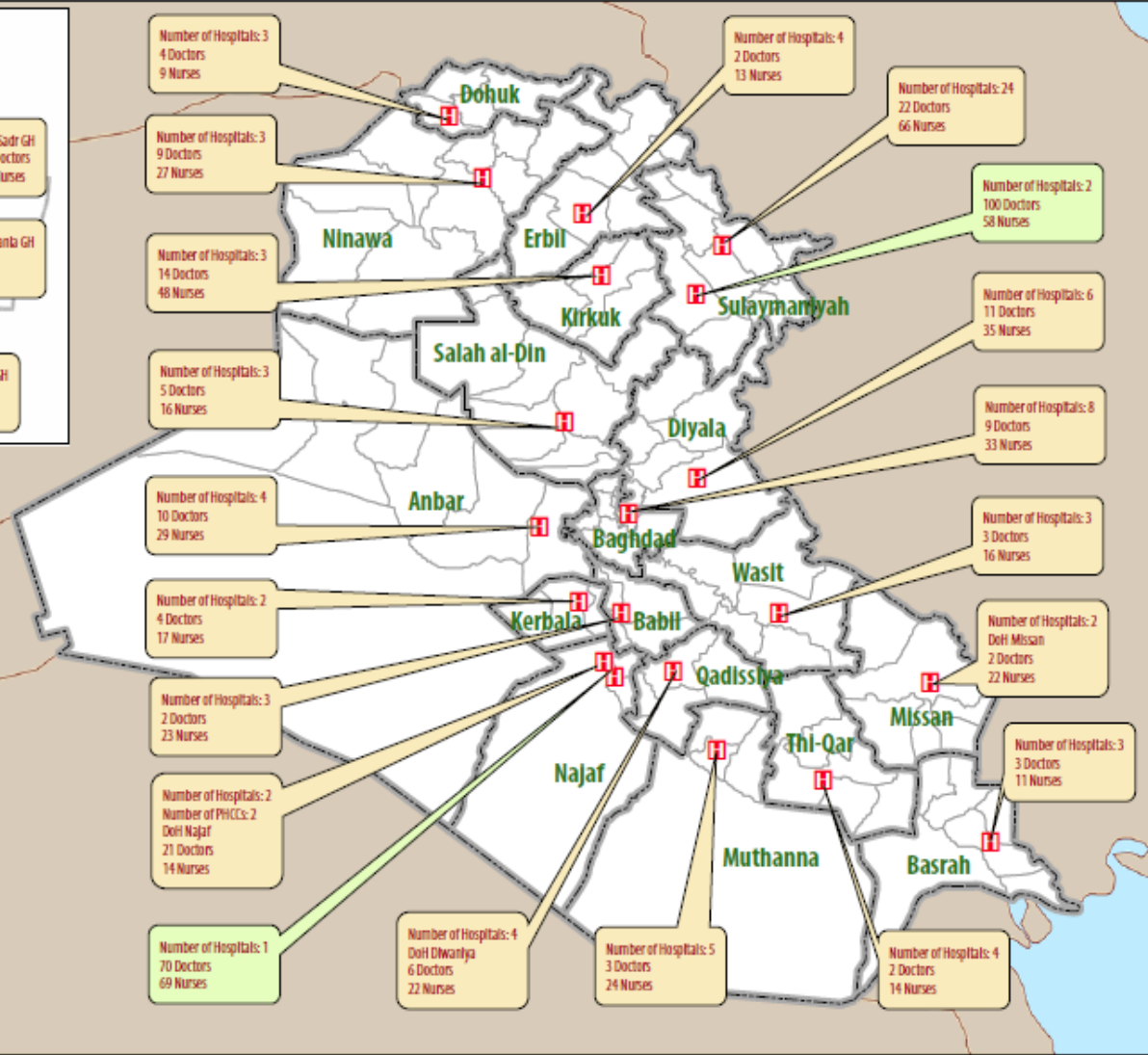


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Baghdad Governorate



Total Numbers of Doctors : 302
Total Numbers of Nurses : 566



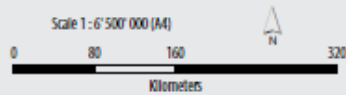
Legend

- Health Structure
- Phase**
- Phase One
- Phase Two
- First admin boundary
- District's boundary
- International boundary

DoH: Directorate of Health
PHCC: Primary Health Care Centre

Data Sources ICRC/HIC

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Strengthening Emergency Services in Iraq Certified Trainees from 2009 – 2011.pdf
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From chaos to order





Iraq

Airways Control session in Sulaymania, 2010



Iraq

Hands on training



Iraq

Group session about ventilation control in Sulaymania



Lebanon

Fracture Stabilisation Training

Working with local staff and authorities



Yemen

BLS training in Hadramout, Yemen 2014



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URBAN SERVICES DURING PROTRACTED ARMED CONFLICT



Yemen

Health Structures affected



***Emergency room training takes on a real life dimension
In Aden, 2015***



Principles of proper management of WW



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General principles

***Assess The Patient,
Always and again..***

A, B, C, D, E....

Look at the wounds

Be able to describe the wound

Do not close wounds

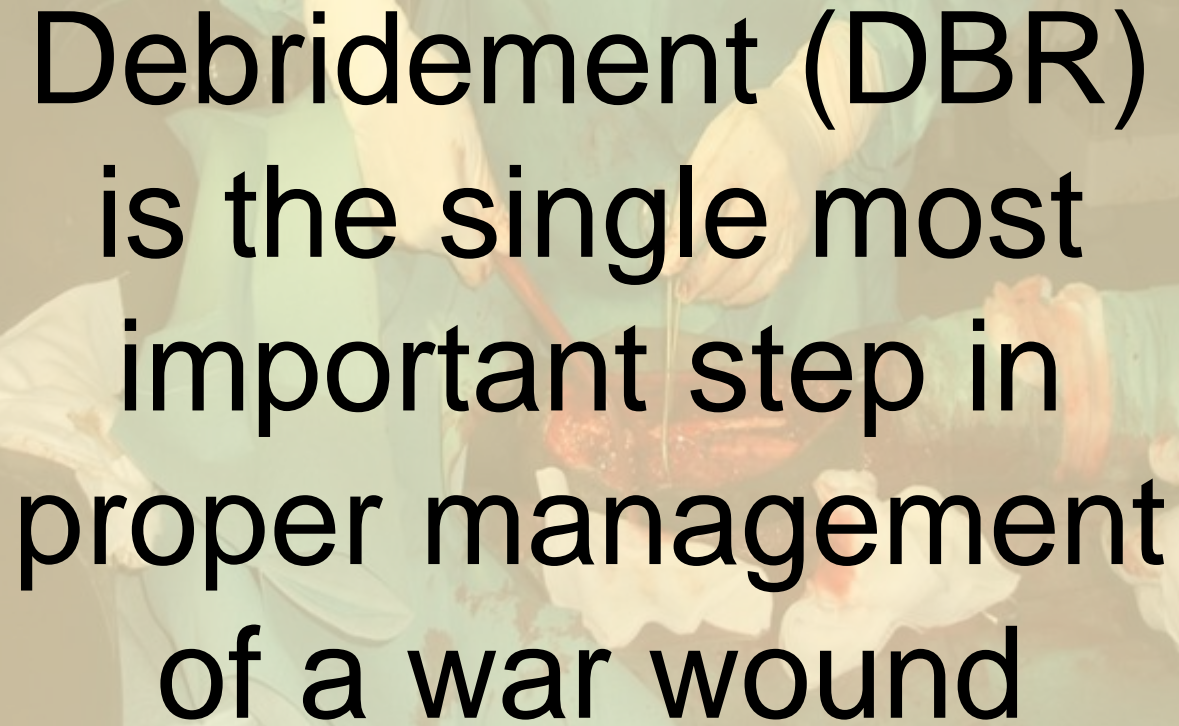
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Stabilize fractures

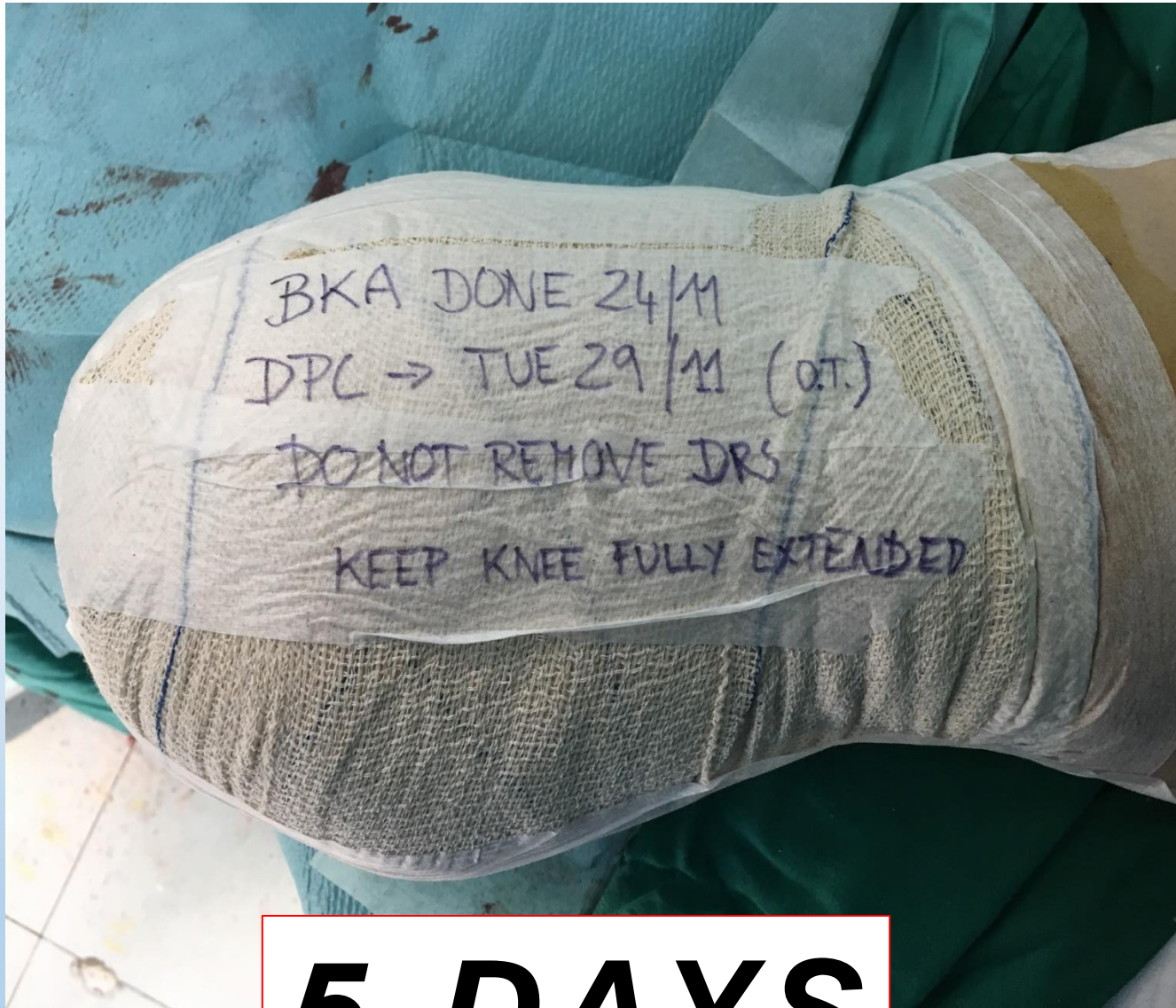
Use splints



The wound needs surgical debridement



Debridement (DBR)
is the single most
important step in
proper management
of a war wound



5 DAYS



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Post Operative Care

Oozing

Bleeding

Swelling

Smell

Pain

N/V status

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Proper support for the limb, elevation

Mobilize as required or instructed

Get patient out of bed

Chest physio

Family education



Use water and soap to wash the limb, the exfix...



And normal saline in the wound



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Team Work



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Shukran,
Tashakor
Merci
Danke
Thank You

Kiitos
Elokananu
Asante
Arigato
Gracias

Grazie
Obrigado
Dankje

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