

Methodological remarks, concepts, definitions

The scope of health services is included in the Act LXXXIII of 1997 on the benefits of the compulsory health insurance and the Government Order 217/1997 (XII.1.) regulating the implementation of this act.

This chapter presents the data of those concluded financing contract.

Financing contract: is concluded between the financing institute (NHIFA, RHIF) and the service provider for health service.

To define the indicators regarding financed services (per services, station), we count their average number per month

Home special nursing, Home hospice care

Source of data: the data of individual accounting sheets and monthly summarizing report of the home special nursing and home hospice care providers, that are forwarded to the Regional Health Insurance Funds.

The tables of the yearbook don't contain the statistically negligible corrections.

Visit: curative activity performed at the home or the residing place of the patient for the order of the patient's attending physician and done by a person who has vocational qualification to carry out that task. The treatment with more services within one calendar day is regarded one visit.

Patient: the number of people given care to during the year, regardless of the number of times he/she becomes beneficiary by order during the year.

Special nursing degrees

- *Complete nursing:* needed by the patient, who is not able to perform three or more basic activities of the everyday life (nutrition, washing, getting dressed, stool and urine voidance, independent change of position) without other person's support and needs special nursing;
- *Partial nursing:* necessary for the patient, who is not able to do at least two basic activities of the everyday life without other person's support and needs special nursing due to his/her illness;
- *Self-supporting patient:* who is able to perform the basic activities of the everyday life without other person's support but he/she needs to be taken special care of due to his/her illness/chronic illness, for example: stomatological treatment, throat cleansing, treatment of leg ulcer, care of wound created by operation, parenteral nutrition and drug treatment.

The **home hospice care** was introduced on 1 September 2004, its financing unit is a day, which includes being continuously at service beyond the care provided at home.