

Lecture (5)

PHC system and Principles in Saudi Arabia





# **Content of lecture:**

- 1. Define Family Medicine.
- 2. Enumerate elements & principles of FM.
- 3. Understand the developmental stages of Primary health care & Family Medicine in KSA.

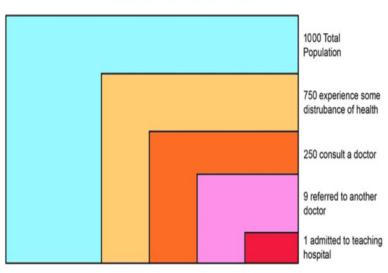
#### Case:

Sarah, a 24 years old teacher. She is married and has two children. She is complaining of abdominal pain for three days.

What are the differential diagnoses?

Where should she seek help?

# THE HEALTH EXPERIENCE OF A POPULATION OVER A PERIOD OF ONE MONTH





This diagram shows a sample of 1000 of the population, 750 of them had a medical condition over a period of one month, 250 of them consult a doctor, 9 of them referred to another doctor, 1 of them admitted to teaching hospital.

International study of health of all people in 1973 results were worse than that of 1960.

# (A) In Developed Countries:

- · Diseases of modernisation.
- · over eating &non blalanced diets
- · Alcoholism
- ·Smoking
- · overuse of hard drugs
- · Worry & distress

# (B) In Developing Countries:

- Third did not have access to safe water
   Intestinal parasite results from unsafe water.
- · Quarter suffered from malnutrition.
- · Diarrhoea.
- High infant mortality rate 150-250 per1000
   In 1960: infant mortality rate 150 per 1000.
   Now, infant mortality rate 16 per 1000 in KSA.
   Infant mortality rate in Scandinavian countries is 5.
- · High maternal rate 3-15 per 1000

Generally adverse situation due to:

- · In Both Developed and Developing Countries, there is low access to comprehensive services.
- · In some countries one out of two see health worker once/year.
- · Services were urban based (in the cities only).
- · Services were curative oriented.
- · Planning not related to needs (due to absence of statistics).
- · Absent statistics leading to maldistribution.
- · No community participation.
- · Lack of coordination.
- · Economical deterioration.

## PHC as a Tool for HFA:

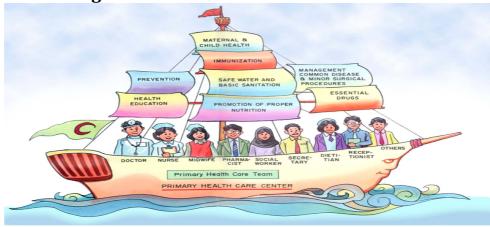
- · Member of WHO & signatory of HFA declaration.
- PHC has become a national strategy development plan.
- $\cdot$  1980 A Ministerial decree was issued, consolidating dispensaries, health offices and MCH centers into PHC centers Health coverage reached 99 %.

# Cardinal Features of PHC (WHO 1978)

PHC is <u>essential</u> health care based on <u>practical</u>, <u>scientifically</u> & socially <u>acceptable</u> methods & technology made universally <u>accessible</u> to individuals & families in the community through their full <u>participation</u> and a cost that the country can <u>afford</u> to maintain <u>self-reliance</u> and self-determination. It forms an <u>integral part</u> of health system & the overall social & economic development of the community. <u>First level</u> of contact, <u>close</u> as possible to people & constitutes <u>continuing</u> care.

### **PHC ELEMENTS:**

- 1) Health education
- 2) Promotion of nutrition
- 3) Environmental sanitation
- 4) Maternal and child care
- 5) Immunization
- 6) Prevention, control&eradication
- 7) Treatment of common diseases
- 8) Essential drugs



# **Strategies for PHC:**

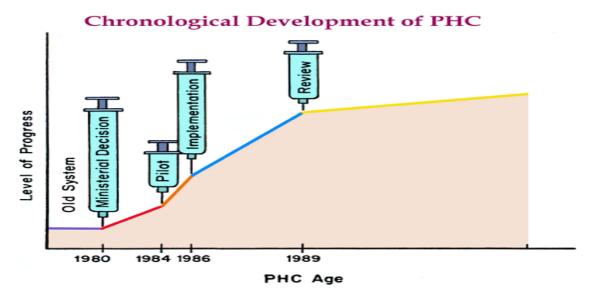
- 1. Expansion and efficiency
- 2. Better relations with community
- 3. Comprehensive health care
- 4. Integration of preventive and curative
- 5. Promotion of health awareness
- 6. Coordination with secondary and tertiary care
- 7. Coordination with academic institutions
- 8. Multi-sectorial coordination
- 9. At risk approach

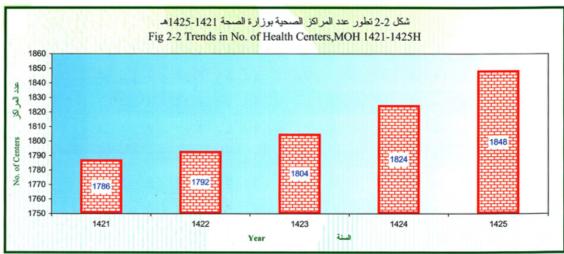
# **How to Implement:**

- 1. Define your community
- 2. Define your community needs
- a) community survey
- b) community analysis
- c) setting effective plans priorities

3. team approach





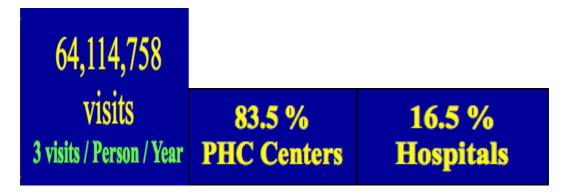


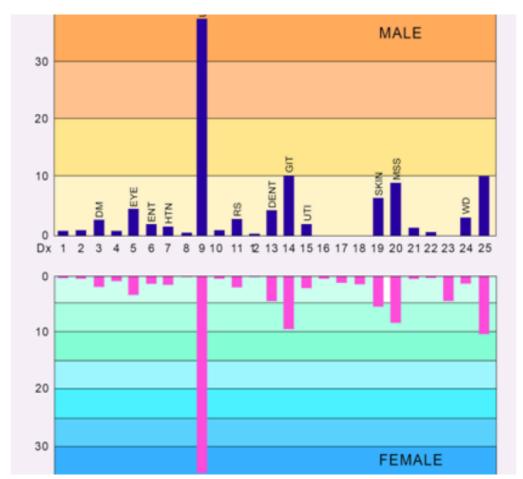
# **Development of PHC/FM:**

- 1982
- 300HCs
- No Family physicians
- No undergraduate
- No postgraduate
- No commission

- 2008
- 2000HCs
- 500 FPs
- All universities
- About 20 programs SCFHS.

**PHC& Hospitals in SA** 





The highest number of visiting is Upper Respiratory Tract Infection (URTI).In both male and female.

According to W. Fabb and J. Fry, good primary health care must include the following "As" It must be:

- 1. Available
- 2. Accessible
- 3. Affordable
- 4. Acceptable
- 5. Adaptable
- 6. Applicable
- 7. Attainable
- 8. Appropriate
- 9. Assessable

**Contrast between Primary and Specialist Care regarding contact:** 

Primary Care	Specialist Care (Hospital)
Consultations, contact is initiated by the patient.	Contact is usually initiated by referral from another doctor

# **Contrast between Primary and Specialist Care regarding accessibility**

Primary Care	Specialist Care (Hospital)
Pt, relative & Dr are readily accessible to each other, often over many years. This provides	Accessibility is often restricted, resulting in:
opportunity for:	- The need to elicit maximal
-Extended observation	information in as few consultations as possible.
-Extended diagnosis	- A concern with physical or
-Comprehensive care -Continuing care	psychological diagnosis.
-Preventive care	<ul><li>Care reflecting Dr interests / referral</li></ul>
	- Continuing care restricted
	- Preventive care not feasible

# **Contrast between Primary and Specialist Care regarding Presenting problems**

Primary Care	Specialist Care (Hospital)
-Undifferentiated.	-Selected .
-At early stage of development.	-Deferred in presentation.
-Not a major threat to life or function .	-A major threat to life or function, frequently requiring elaborate technology in assessment and/or management

Family medicine is well-suited to lead health care reform in this era.

Superior patient outcomes, at a lower total cost, with greater patient

satisfaction, over a wider variety of conditions than other types of medical service.

These values will be appreciated when rationality returns to health care. Until then, family physicians must work to keep their professionalism and pride intact.

# Why Is Primary Care Important?

Better health outcomes Lower costs Greater equity in health

Overall, countries that achieve better health levels:

- Are primary care-oriented.
- Have more equitable resource distributions.
- Have government-provided health services or health insurance.
- Have little or no private health insurance.
- Have no or low co-payments for health services.

## **Summary**

1- Family Medicine is a medical specialty of first contact with the patient and is devoted to providing preventive, promotive, rehabilitative and curative care with emphasis on the physical, psychological and social aspects, for the patient and his family and community.

#### 2- PHC ELEMENTS:

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## 3- PHC principles:

- 1) Community participation
- 2) Accessible
- 3) Continuity of Care
- 4) Appropriate
- 5) Efficient
- 6) Affordable & Sustainable
- 7) Population Health

### **Developmental stages of PHC & FM in KSA:**

- Health Services in KSA started in 1950s:
  - -Preventive Offices
  - -MCH Centers
  - -Hospitals
- Almatta Declaration 1978 "HFA 2000"
- PHC Declaration in KSA 1980
- Implementation of PHC in KSA 1983(11 PHCC)

# Questions

- 1) When did the primary health care program start in Saudi Arabia?
- a. 1970
- b. 1975
- c. 1980
- d. 1990
- 2) The highest number of visiting in primary health care is?
- a. Upper Respiratory Tract Infection (URTI)
- b. Urinary Tract Infection (UTI)
- c. Diabetes mellitus
- d. Hypertension
- 3) Which one of the following is an element of primary health care?
- a. Health education
- b. Promotion of nutrition
- c. Environmental sanitation
- d. All of the above
- 4) According to W. Fabb and J. Fry, good primary health care must include the "9 As" like:
- a. Available
- b. Accessible
- c. Affordable
- d. All of the above

- 5) Why is primary care important?
- a. Better health outcomes
- b. Lower coasts
- c. Greater equity in health
- d. All of the above

# **Answers:**

1st Questions:C

2nd Questions:A

3rd Questions:D

4th Questions:D

5th Questions:D

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