

SURGICAL CARE FOR POLYTRAUMA VICTIMS OF GAZA A MANAGEMENT CHALLENGE

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INTRODUCTION

VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE

- ❖ Wars and Conflicts
- ❖ Internal Civil Wars/civilian encounters
- ❖ Natural Disasters
- ❖ Epidemics
- ❖ Famines
- ❖ Other situations



MODERN WARFARE



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GAZA TEN YEARS AGO

Mission Palastine

Gaza is a part of the palastinian occupied territories along with the west bank since 1967.

There are a lot of people suffering from a multitude of injuries coming in to the MSF hospitals.

The MSF hospitals provide care for acute and chronic injuries, rehabilitation and even out-reach centres for referral and follow up.

We also concentrate on Burn patients



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Gazan cuisine



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Working in a highly insecure context

First Aid

Triage

On site emergency procedures

Shifting

Specialised care



NGOs IN AID OF VICTIMS

- ❖ MSF
- ❖ ICRC
- ❖ RED CRESENT
- ❖ UNHCR
- ❖ WHO
- ❖ MEDICINS DU POINT
- ❖ HANDICAP INTERNATIONAL
- ❖ MANY OTHER PLAYERS



SURGERY IN ZONES OF CONFLICT

Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF) is an international humanitarian organisation that provides emergency medical assistance to populations in danger in more than 90 countries.





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GAZA DURING 2023 BEFORE THE WAR



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Rehabilitation



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INTERACTION WITH LOCALS



Palestinian Medical Council



GAZA NOW



SURGERY IN ZONES OF CONFLICT

❖ PROBLEMS

- ❖ Patient access to facilities
- ❖ Infrastructure
- ❖ Cost of surgery
- ❖ Infection & MDR
- ❖ Social impact
- ❖ Disability
- ❖ Social stigmatisation
- ❖ Human burden

❖ PROBLEMS

- ❖ Human resource
- ❖ Security
- ❖ Working conditions
- ❖ Replacements
- ❖ Supply line
- ❖ Local liason
- ❖ Acceptance



WHERE ARE WE HEADING?



Thank you

