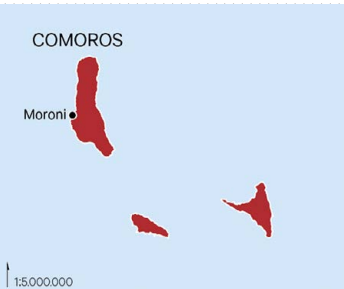


AF



General data

POPULATION, 2023
852,075

PHYSICIANS/1000 INH, 2020-2022
0.44

NURSES/1000 INH, 2020-2022
1.58

LIFE EXPECTANCY, 2022
67.25

Socioeconomic data

COUNTRY INCOME LEVEL, 2022
Lower middle income

HUMAN DEVELOPMENT INDEX RANKING, 2023
151

GDP PER CAPITA (US\$), 2023
1,590.31

HEALTH EXPENDITURE, 2021
99.04

UNIVERSAL HEALTH COVERAGE, 2021
48



WHO FRAMEWORK FOR PALLIATIVE CARE DEVELOPMENT

- ① EMPOWERMENT OF PEOPLE AND COMMUNITIES
- ② POLICIES
- ③ RESEARCH
- ④ USE OF ESSENTIAL MEDICINES
- ⑤ EDUCATION AND TRAINING
- ⑥ PROVISION OF PC

LEVEL OF DEVELOPMENT

① EMERGING
② PROGRESSING
③ ESTABLISHED
④ ADVANCED

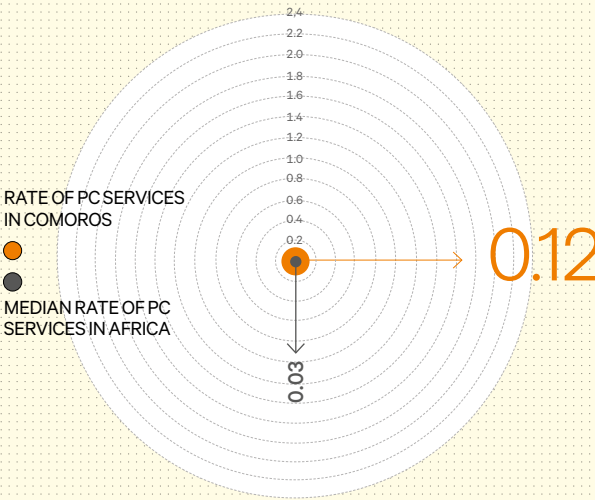
Comoros

F Provision of PC (Specialised Services)

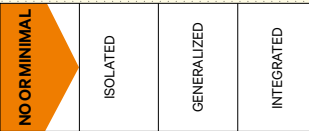
Total number of Specialised PC services
1

Rate of PC services per 100,000 inhabitants
0.12

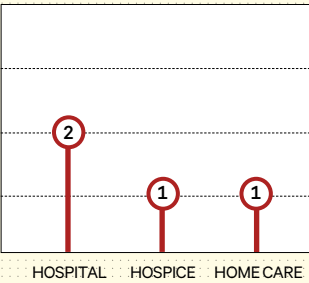
Comoros in the context of African continent



Geographic distribution and integration of PC services



Level of development of different types of PC services



Paediatric PC Services

GEOGRAPHIC DISTRIBUTION AND INTEGRATION
1

TOTAL NUMBER
0

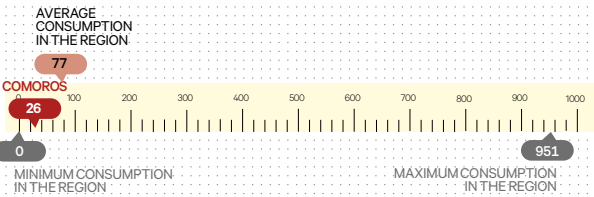
AF

Comoros

D Use of essential medicines

Opiods consumption (excluding methadone)
26
S-DDD/MILL INHABITANTS/DAY

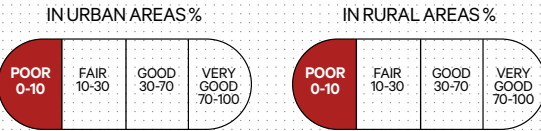
Comoros in the context of African continent



Overall availability of essential medicines for pain and PC at the primary level



General availability of immediate-release oral morphine at the primary level



C Research

PC-related research articles

1

Existence of PC congresses or scientific meetings

2



National Association: No.
Consultants: Madi Soilihi Rahia.

Data collected: From December 2023 to March 2024.
Date validated by consultants: No
Endorsed by National PC Association: N/A
Edition: Edited by Atlantes Research Team (University of Navarra, Spain).

E Education & Training

Medical schools with mandatory PC teaching
0/0

Nursing schools with mandatory PC teaching
0/1

Recognition of PC specialty
2

B Policies

National PC plan or strategy
1

Responsible authority for PC in the Ministry of Health
2





Inclusion of PC in the basic health package at the primary care level
1

A Empowerment of people and communities





Groups promoting the rights of PC patients
2

Advanced care planning-related policies
1

AF Comoros

Ind1 Existence of groups dedicated to promoting the rights of patients in need of PC, their care-givers, and disease survivors.	 Pioneers, champions, or advocates of palliative care can be identified, but without a formal organization constituted.	
Ind2 Is there a national policy or guideline on advance directives or advance care planning?	 There is no national policy or guideline on advance care planning.	
Ind3 3.1. There is a current national PC plan, programme, policy, or strategy. 3.2. The national palliative care plan (or programme or strategy or legislation) is a standalone.	 Do not know or does not exist.  Not known or does not exist neither standalone nor is included in another national plan.	Few official national health documents from the Union of the Comoros are publicly available. Among those accessible, including the National Health Policy 2015–2024 and the National Health Financing Strategy for Universal Health Coverage 2019–2030, none contain references to palliative care. No national plan, programme, or strategy specifically addressing palliative care has been identified to date.

AF Comoros

3.3. There are indicators in the national plan to monitor and evaluate progress, with measurable targets.	 Do not know or does not exist.	
Ind4 PC services are included in the list of priority services for Universal Health Coverage at the primary care level in the national health system.	 Not at all.	The most recent available document on public health legislation in Comoros is the Public Health Code of 1995. This law does not include any reference to palliative care. No decree or national framework currently identifies palliative care as part of the essential health services to be delivered at the primary care level or within the Universal Health Coverage package.
Ind5 5.1. Is there a national authority for palliative care within the government or the Ministry of Health? 5.2. The national authority has concrete functions, budget and staff.	 The authority for palliative care is defined but only at political level without coordinating entity defined.  There are concrete functions but do not have a budget or staff.	

AF

Comoros

<div>Ind6</div> <div>Existence of congresses or scientific meetings at the national level specifically related to PC.</div>	<div><div><div></div><div>2</div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>Only sporadic or non-periodical conferences or meetings related to palliative care take place.</div>	
<div>Ind7</div> <div>Estimation of the level of peer-reviewed articles focusing on PC research published in any language in the past 5 years with at least one author from the country.</div>	<div><div><div>1</div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>Minimal or non-existent number of articles published on the subject in that country.</div>	A comprehensive scoping review conducted in March 2023, covering publications from 2017 onward, did not identify any peer-reviewed articles on palliative care in Comoros that all met the inclusion criteria for this indicator.
<div>Ind8</div> <div>Reported annual opioid consumption –excluding methadone– in S-DDD per million inhabitants per day.</div>	<div><div><div></div></div><div>Average consumption of opioids, in defined daily doses for statistical purposes (S-DDD) per million inhabitants per day, 2020–2022.</div><div><div>26</div><div>S-DDD PER MILLION INHAB /DAY</div></div></div>	<div>COUNTRY VS REGION</div> <div><div><div>AVERAGE CONSUMPTION IN THE REGION</div><div>77</div></div><div><div>COMOROS</div><div>26</div></div><div><div>0</div><div>MINIMUM CONSUMPTION IN THE REGION</div></div><div><div>951</div><div>MAXIMUM CONSUMPTION IN THE REGION</div></div></div>

AF

Comoros

<div>Ind9</div> <div>9.1. Percentage of health facilities at the primary care level in Urban areas that have pain and palliative care medications as defined in the WHO Model List of Essential Medicines.</div> <div>9.2. Percentage of health facilities at the primary care level in rural areas that have pain and palliative care medications as defined in the WHO Model List of Essential Medicines.</div>	<div><div><div></div><div>2</div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>Fair: Between 10% to 30%.</div> <div><div><div>1</div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>Poor: Between 0% to 10%.</div>	
<div>Ind10</div> <div>10.1. Percentage of health facilities at the primary care level in urban areas that have immediate-release oral morphine (liquid or tablet).</div> <div>10.2. Percentage of health facilities at the primary care level in rural areas that have immediate-release oral morphine (liquid or tablet).</div>	<div><div><div>1</div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>Poor: Between 0% to 10%.</div> <div><div><div>1</div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>Poor: Between 0% to 10%.</div>	

AF

Comoros

Ind11 11.1. The proportion of medical schools with COMPULSORY teaching in PC (with or without other optional teaching) 11.2. The proportion of medical schools with OPTIONAL teaching in PC. 11.3. The proportion of nursing schools with COMPULSORY teaching in PC (with or without other optional teaching). 11.4. The proportion of nursing schools with OPTIONAL teaching in PC.	<div>0/0</div> <div>0/0</div> <div>0/1</div> <div>0/1</div>	<div></div> <div>There is only one nursing school in Comoros. Within its geriatrics module, palliative care is briefly addressed. No further information was found regarding the inclusion of palliative care in undergraduate medical or nursing curricula, whether compulsory or elective.</div>
Ind12 Existence of an official specialisation process in palliative medicine for physicians, recognised by the competent authority in the country.	<div><div><div></div><div>2</div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>There is no process for specializa- tion for palliative care physicians but exists other types of professional training diplomas without official and national recogni- tion (i.e., advanced training courses or masters in some universities or insti- tutions).</div>	

AF

Comoros

Ind13 13.1. There is a system of specialised PC services or teams in the country that has a GEOGRAPHIC reach and is delivered through different service delivery platforms. 13.2. Are available in HOSPITALS (public or private), such as hospital PC teams (consultation teams), and PC units (with beds), to name a few examples. 13.3. Free-standing HOSPICES (including hospices with inpatient beds). 13.4. HOME CARE teams (specialised in PC) are available in the community (or at the primary Healthcare level), as independent services or linked with hospitals or hospices. 13.5. Total number of specialised PC services or teams in the country.	<div><div><div>1</div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>No or minimal provision of palliative care specialized services or teams exist in the country.</div> <div><div><div>2</div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>Progressing Ad hoc/ in some parts of the country.</div> <div><div><div>1</div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>Not at all.</div> <div><div><div>1</div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>Not at all.</div>	<div>RATE OF SPECIALISED PC SERVICES/100,000 INH</div> <div><div>MEDIAN RATE IN THE REGION</div><div>0.03</div><div>COMOROS</div><div>0.12</div><div>0</div><div>1</div><div>2</div><div>3</div><div>4</div><div>5</div><div>MINIMUM RATE IN THE REGION</div><div>MAXIMUM RATE IN THE REGION</div><div>1.68</div></div> <div><div>1</div><div>← SPECIALISED PALLIATIVE CARE SERVICES</div></div>
Ind14 14.1. There is a system of specialised PC services or teams for children in the country that has geographic reach and is delivered through different service delivery platforms. 14.2. Number of pediatric specialised PC services or teams in the country.	<div><div><div>1</div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div></div> <div>No or minimal provision of palliative care specialized services or teams for children exists in country.</div> <div><div>0</div><div>PPC TEAMS</div></div>	