

## The Chocruz Clinic in 2021

The year started with the care of patients visiting the clinic as well as home visits. The clinic is located in a rural region and our aim is to improve health care in the region. To achieve this, we always charge a minimum amount for services and medication, which is based on the financial possibilities of the person.

We would like to give all donors, supporters and interested persons an impression of our work and therefore report below on our activities in 2021:

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### The impact of Covid on our work

Facing already the second consecutive year of the pandemic, we continued supporting our people with what they needed. Thereby we have seen daily the present health problems when we received them in our clinic. During this year we were confronted with the new experience of receiving some patients with non-severe COVID-19, such cases which could still be treated. Normally, the patients do not want to go to a hospital because they have heard several negative versions of the virus and its treatment in hospitals. We also had the help of a doctor who brought to the clinic information about the symptoms and the severity of the disease.



With the COVID-19 issue in mind, a talk was planned with the children of the FUNIGA school, a partner organization of the clinic. The talk was about COVID-19, the symptoms, the causes and how to protect ourselves from infection. As many people are still unaware of this new topic and believe that the virus is not really existing, it was of great importance to talk about this topic.

As soon as COVID-19 vaccines were allowed to be used in our country, we started to promote them. Thus, we coordinated two vaccination days together with the Health Centre in our clinic. For this we visited people at home and invited them to get vaccinated, as the vaccine is a protection that helps our body not to be attacked by the virus. These days were a success. On the first day 70 people and on the second day 38 people could be vaccinated.

## Donation from the German Embassy

We also received a donation from the German Embassy, with which we acquired medical equipment such as ultrasound, computer, printer, projector and medical instruments. All this is very useful in our clinic, as each item is necessary to provide better care to our patients who visit us and require our help. For example, we use the ultrasound to better control pregnancies.

The computer has also been very useful- not only for our digitalisation but also for our internal administration in the clinic. Despite that, it has helped us a lot to realize some Crowdfunding projects on a platform named "Recaudemos", through which we were trying to raise funds to carry out some very important projects for the clinic. These projects have been very successful, receiving donations from foreign people who have been interested in our projects. Furthermore, the computer equipment allows us to maintain communication with the MIRADOR association in Germany, through which we can receive donations for continuing the work of the clinic. It is also possible for us to be in communication with another association, which is a Russian clinic. As they work to help people in need, we are looking forward to working together with them in order to receive foreign volunteers.



## Goals for the next years

This is how we ended the year, helping the people in our community who needed it so badly. Considering the circumstances under which we are living at the moment and having to face limited economic resources, the clinic project was a full success, especially as our people do not have to pay large amounts to private doctors.

Our goal for the upcoming year 2022 is to keep taking care of the patients who need our help as well as to maintain promoting our clinic to obtain donations and thus being independent in the future, excelling with our community in good health conditions.



## Numbers of patients taken care in 2021

During the year 2021, 1129 patients were treated: 776 women and 353 men. As usual, some patients paid for the consultations, while others were not charged for it because of their limited financial resources. In other cases people came only for medication without consultation or home visits have been made.

- 250 were charged the minimum consultation fee.
- 422 were not charged for consultations. They only paid for medication.
- 15 patients were not charged anything at all. Medication was donated.
- 390 patients only came to buy medication.
- 52 patients were consulted at home and were charged the minimum for consultation and medication

Thanks to donors

All patients that we receive daily in our clinic are very grateful for this project, which has been created in our community. It is a great support for all of us, both morally and financially. The patients are very grateful for all of you, every single donor, because it is only thanks to you that the project is working. In this way, we can offer medical care to patients who cannot afford to go to other expensive private doctors because of their economic situation.

We invite you to support us with donations also next year. Your donations are a great help to us and our region so that people can receive proper medical care and medicines at affordable prices.



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Or donate to our partner association in Germany: Mirador <https://mirador-ev.org/>  
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(preferably in Spanish, but we can also find translations from German or English).

Best regards from Chocruz,  
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