

Primary Health Care in Suriname

Health Financing

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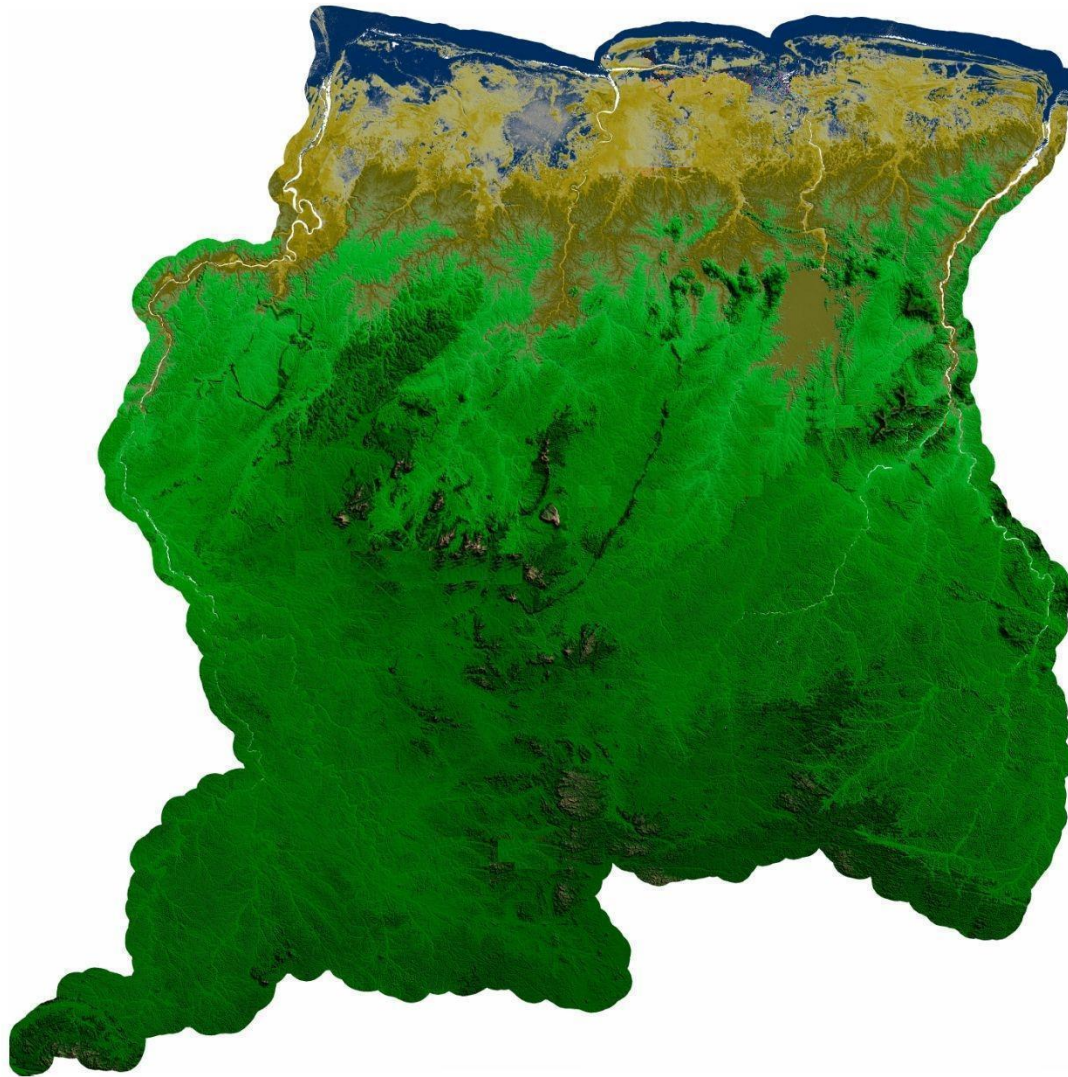
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Suriname: coastal plains, savannahs and forested hinterland



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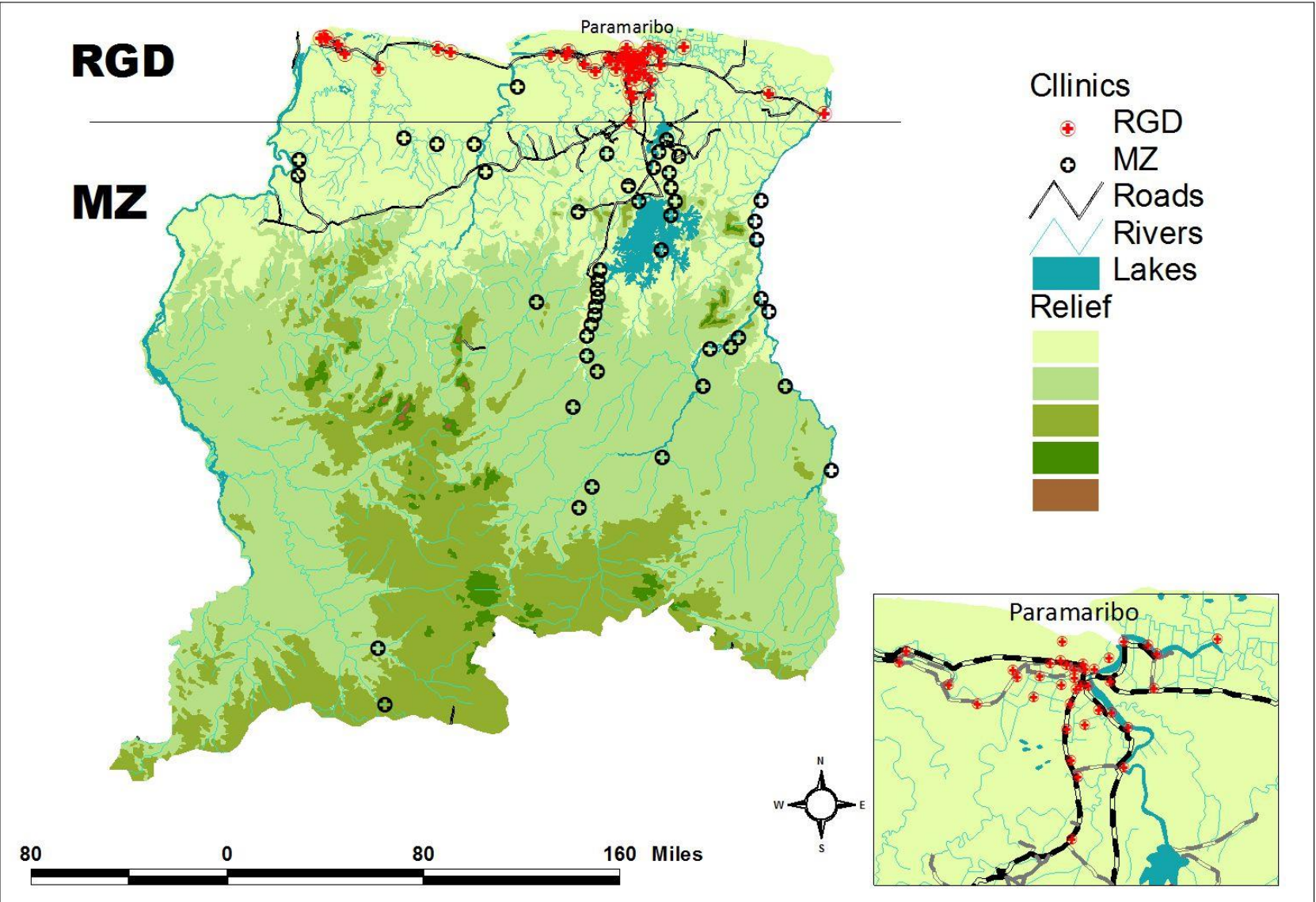
- Coastal area
 - 2 Urban districts
 - 6 rural districts
- Interior
 - 2 interior districts
- Area 163 820 Km²
 - Urban: 0.5%
 - Rural: 14.5%
 - Interior: 85%
- Population density per sq km
- Nationwide: 3
 - Urban: 526
 - Par'bo: 1335
 - Wanica: 194
 - Rural: 5
 - Interior: 1
 - Brokopondo: 2
 - Sipaliwini: 0.3



• Primary Health Care facilities in Suriname



Health Clinics in Suriname



Primary Health Care clinics

**43 primary
health care
clinics
coastal areas
RGD**

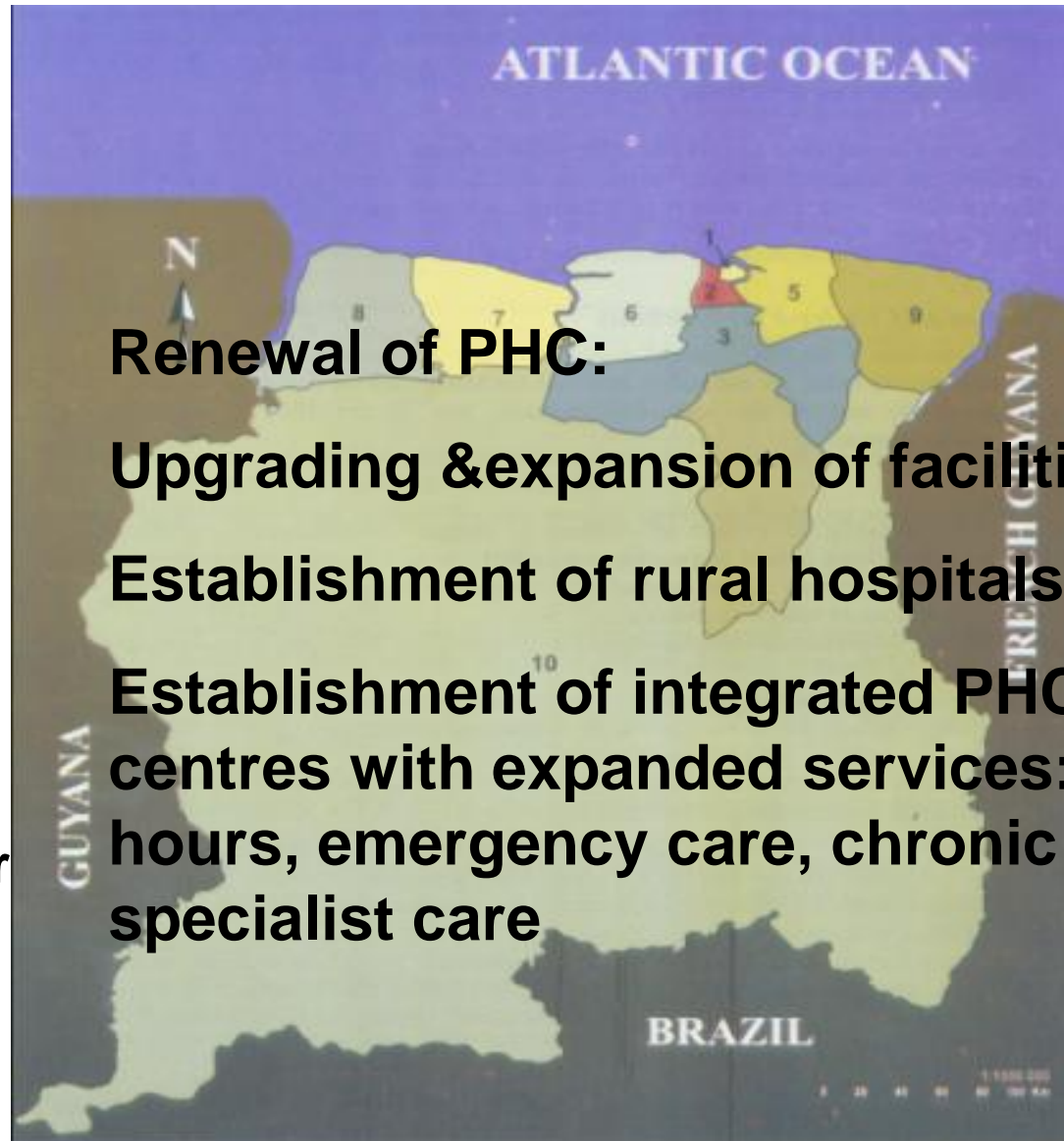
**56 primary
health care
clinics interior
MZ**

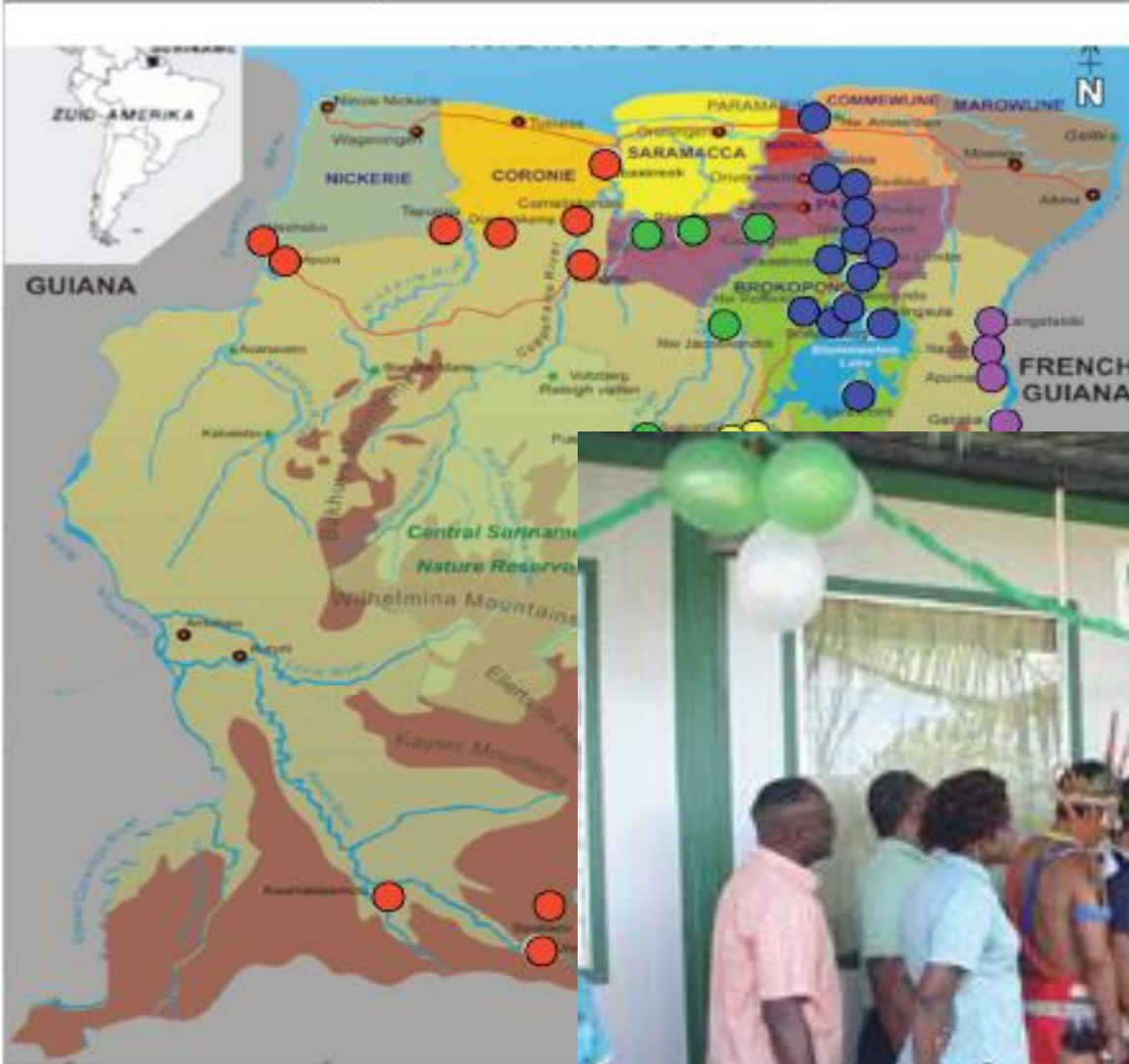
Renewal of PHC:

Upgrading & expansion of facilities

Establishment of rural hospitals

**Establishment of integrated PHC
centres with expanded services: 24-
hours, emergency care, chronic care,
specialist care**







Art. 36 of the Constitution of the Republic of Suriname (1992)

Everyone has the right to health and it is the responsibility of the government to promote health by systematically improving living and working conditions and to give information on the protection of health.

By State Decree, the Ministry of Health has the mandate to ensure public health in the broadest sense, including health awareness and education. The Ministry also has the task of safeguarding the quality, availability and accessibility to quality health care throughout the country (unitary state).

As such the MoH can initiate legislation with the support of the Government, the State Council and subsequent approval of Parliament.

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Health service priority areas in Primary Health Care

Chronic diseases (incl mental health)

Border health (introduction of health card for people crossing borders frequently)

- Infectious diseases (malaria almost eliminated)
- Vaccination program (maintaining high coverage)
- Maternal and child health (MDG not reached yet)
- School health (needs to be revitalized)