Definition

Men’s Health

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Men’s health encompasses the dimensions of health and diseases which are particularly relevant to men and boys.

Health is a state of physical, psychological and social well-being resulting from a balance of risk and protective factors which is the responsibility of the individual, the partners, as well as being a collective responsibility.

Protective factors are a healthy and conscientious lifestyle, accepting one’s strengths but also weaknesses as a man, meaningful experience and zest for life, social support and personal recognition.

Especially in men the risk and protective factors are unequally distributed, depending on education, ethnic and social background, income and professional position.

Health problems in men require special preventive and care services throughout life, which for the most part still need to be developed.

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