

Country Report

Name of Country: Republic of Mali
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Name of Organization: AMALDEME / Malian Association for struggling against the Mental Retardation of the children

Function of the Organization

Malian Association for struggling against the Mental Retardation of the children is relevant to the national direction of social affairs.

AMALDEME assures the social re – education and readaptations of the people with Mental Retardation.

I am a teacher of the children and recording the name of the patients for the orientation to the different sections.

The Current Situation in Rehabilitation Services

Medical System

When children come, they are welcomed in the reception, and programmed and informed about the date of meeting. On that date, they go to the psychological section which makes an evaluation if the child is really mentally retarded or not.

He will be evaluated in different sections as well as at the doctors. After all these evaluations, there is a meeting of synthesis during which they decide the orientation of the patient in different sections for the treatment.

Welfare, Social

AMALDEME consists in development of physical attitude, imitation, retardation and others.

Educational System

AMALDEME is fundamental object to favor and overtake the Mental Retardation of the children in the levels of intellectual, social, communication, relationship, physical, artistic and cultural.

Financial Aids

It is only this year that AMALDEME has got some supplies from the state. AMALDEME works with the financial help of foreign suppliers.

Philosophy on Rehabilitation Services

My philosophy consists of :

It is to help the parents, the family and every community to accept the people with Mental Retardation and to give them a chance for a life and estimate their jobs.

Community Based Rehabilitation Programmes

Some people with MR work at the kitchen, powdering machine installed by AMALDEME in several areas of Bornako. They are paid monthly.