

# Community Pharmacy within the National Health System

- ✓ A Community Pharmacy is a healthcare centre fully integrated into the SNS. (National Health System)
- ✓ A community Pharmacy is collaborating in the performance of pharmaceutical services to the SNS, in Primary and Socio-health care.
- ✓ A community Pharmacy ensures the accessibility to medicines under conditions of quality, equity and effective equality as well as it develops Public Health functions.

## Contribution to health

**22.137** pharmacies  
*(1 pharmacy per 2,110 inhab.)*

There are **2.128** pharmacies in populations inhabited by less than 1000 people where

**1.208** pharmacies of those pharmacies are in populations inhabited by less than 500 people

About **99%** of the population has at least one pharmacy where they live

**2,3MM** people enter a Pharmacy on a daily basis

Full access to medicines and to the pharmaceutical care provided by NHS

## Contribution to employment

**90.000** direct jobs

**91%** permanent contracts

**60%** qualified personnel  
*(university training)*

**72%** female employment

**46,6%** young employment

Pharmacy actively contributes to the country's social and health growth

## Contribution to the sustainability of the SNS

In 2019, **447MM€** were contributed to the SNS by scale of deductions and discounts on medicines' prices.

**30** the economic impact of measures  
*(since 2000)*

**822** pharmacies whose economic viability is compromised

**5.600** pharmacies with less than 1,500€/month

Pharmacy is one of the most important actors contributing to the sustainability of the SNS

## Social contribution

- ✓ Involvement in programs for the elderly at risk of social exclusion
- ✓ Collaborating in the improvement of the environment. SIGRE
- ✓ Agreements for the supply of medicines to people at risk of social exclusion
- ✓ Collaborating against child violence, elder abuse or gender-based violence
- ✓ Promoting healthy eating habits for all ages
- ✓ Community pharmacist's protocol for dispensing HIV self-testing tests
- ✓ Strategic agreements with patient associations, NGOs and other public and private entities SPD
- ✓ Promoting healthy sexual behaviors

**A pharmacy with an intense health and social agenda**