

ABSTRACT

HIV and AIDS-Related Stigma and Discrimination Among General Practitioners and Medical Specialists in Paramaribo

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This study sought to measure, describe, and analyse HIV and AIDS-related stigma and discrimination among general practitioners and medical specialists in Paramaribo, Suriname. Data were collected through a questionnaire completed by 193 physicians. Results confirmed the existence of stigma and discrimination among the participants. The stigmatising attitudes and discriminatory actions of some of the respondents apparently resulted from fear of infection.

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