



Report  
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2013



# STATE REFERENCE CENTER FOR ASSISTANCE TO PEOPLE LIVING WITH RARE DISEASES AND THEIR FAMILIES



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### Presentation

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The State Reference Center for Assistance to People Living with Rare Diseases and Their Families is a public, state-owned service, depending on the IMSERSO (Social Services and older Institute), focused on improving the quality of life of people living with rare diseases, their families and professionals who serve them.

As a State Reference Center it is constantly searching new solutions that make life easier for those who support these rare diseases. Some of the tasks are: performing tasks of coordination and research, innovation, support of professional training, knowledge promotion and develops awareness activities, providing technical support to other entities.

As a Specialized Center in the care of people with rare diseases and their families, develops different programs of care and support to families, carers and people affected by rare diseases from a social-medical approach.

Our priority is a Comprehensive Care focused on Person (AICP) work with a model focused on innovation, quality and participation.

In the year 2013, which was declared by the Minister of Health, Social Services and Equality, Spanish Year Rare Disease, we highlight the high participation and involvement they have had in our Center Associations, Foundations and other entities representing interests of people with rare disease, and who have contributed to give life to CREER.

We believe that reciprocity and networking is the most efficient way to find solutions to the complex difficulties that people face affected with a rare disease.

Therefore, we are determined to encourage the participation of individuals and entities in developing actions CREER, to cooperate with others and work to create synergies, to improve the quality of life for people with rare diseases and their families.

With this document we want to present, in summary, the actions taken during the year 2013.



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## Focused on people, committed to improve quality

Organization chart of the Creer



They have actively participated in the design, implementation and evaluation of actions

People Living with rare disease, associations represent their interests and their families

Professionals

Volunteers

Universities

Public Administrations and Other non-profit Organisations.

CREER has developed an Integrated Management System based on the rules UNE-EN-ISO 9001, UNE-EN-ISO 14001, UNE 170001





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**3094**  
People assisted

**4102**  
Participant people in awareness and spreading actions

Information and orientation  
Meetings  
Courses and workshops  
Therapy



**486**  
Professionals

Cooperation  
Information  
Training



Asociaciones de personas afectadas por enfermedades raras y familiares federaciones

**45**  
Associations



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## Participating entities

Fundación Síndrome de Dravet  
Asociación Española Exstrofia Vesical. ASEXVE  
Asociación Ataxia Galicia. AGA  
Asociación Española Síndrome de Prader Willi. AESPW  
Asociación Enfermedades Raras y Otros Trastornos Graves del Desarrollo. DGENES  
Asociación Española Síndrome de Stickler.  
Asociación Nacional de Arnold Chirari. ANAC  
Plataforma Afectados de ELA  
Asociación Española de Familiares y Enfermos de Wilson. AEFEW  
Asociación Española de Linfangioleiomiomatosis. AELAM  
Asociación Española Síndrome Defectos congénitos de la glicosilación AESCDG  
Asociación Enfermedad de Huntington de CyL. E.H. CyL  
Huntington´s Disease Youth Organization.  
Fundación Síndrome de West. FSW  
Asociación Española de Esclerodermia. AEE.  
Asociación Española Síndrome de Wolf-Hirschorn. AESWH  
Asociación Asturiana Arnold Chiari. CHYSPA  
Asociación DEDINES  
Asociación española Paraparesia Espástica Familiar. AEPEF  
Asociación Duchenne Parent Project España  
Asociación Española Leucodistrofia. ELA ESPAÑA.  
Federación Española de Enfermedades Raras. FEDER  
Federación Española de Ataxia. FEDAES  
Asociación Síndrome de Costello y Cardio Facio Cutaneo ACyCFC  
Asociación Española Síndrome de Sotos. AESS  
Asociación Española Síndrome de Smith Magenis. ASME  
Asociación Cantabria Síndrome de Williams. ASW-Cantabria  
Asociación Española Síndrome de Williams. AESW

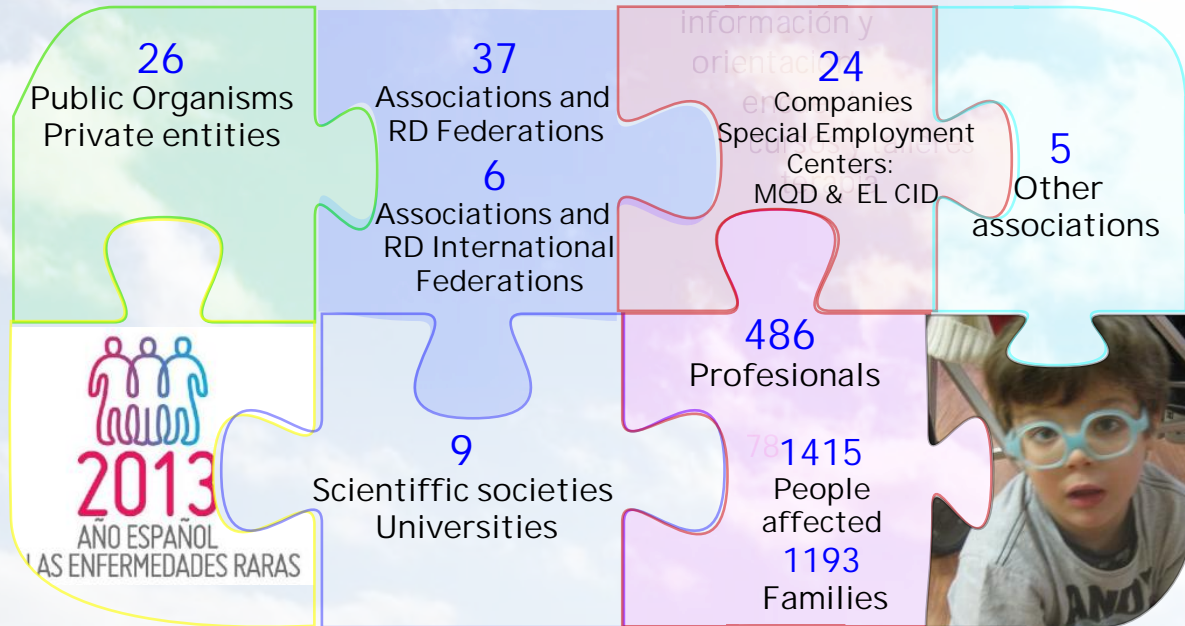
Asociación Española Patologías Mitocondriales. AEPMI  
Fundación Ana Carolina Díez-Mahou  
Asociación Española Déficits Inmunitarios Primarios. AEDIP  
Asociación Española Síndrome de Phelan Mc Dermid.  
Asociación Española de Pénfigo Penfigoide y Otras enfermedades vesiculoampollosas. AEPPEVA  
Asociación Nevus Gigante. ASONEVUS.  
Asociación Paraparesia Espástica Familiar CyL. APEFCyL.  
Asociación Española de Beneficencia Guatemala. AEB  
IMSERSO CCAA EQUIPOS DE VALORACIÓN DE LA DISCAPACIDAD  
Ministerio de Sanidad SS e Igualdad  
Gerencia de Salud. CyL  
European Rare Diseases Organisation EURORDIS  
Hospital Universitario de Burgos  
Instituto de Investigación en Enfermedades Raras Carlos III. IIER.  
Sociedad Española de Neurología. SEN  
Asociación Española de Neurogenética. NEUROGENES  
Centros de Investigación Biomédica en Enfermedades Raras. CIBERER  
Centros de Investigación Biomédica en Red Enfermedades Neurodegenerativas. CIBERNED  
ASPANIAS Burgos  
Federación Autismo CyL  
Asociación de Autismo  
Asociación de Daño Cerebral  
Asociación Amigos del Camino de Santiago.  
Universidad de Burgos. UBU  
Universidad a Distancia. UNED  
Universidad de Salamanca

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They have made it possible ...



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### Developed actions

### Meetings Programs

Within family Care Services, NGOs and people with rare diseases, CREER, in coordination with different associations and organisations representing people affected by rare diseases, during the year 2013 has conducted:

- Thirty-two Meetings of National Rare Disease Associations.
- International Medical Meeting, Hispanic Network of Pathologies Rare Diseases. Guatemala Foundation Rare Diseases
- International Meetingl. Huntington's Disease Youth Organization
- IX National Congress Medical. Arnold Chiari National Association. ANAC
- Scientific medical Conference on Mitochondrial Pathologies. Spanish Association Mitochondrial Pathologies. AEPMI
- Scientific medical Conference on ALE. Platform ALE
- III Congress of Glycogen Storage Diseases. Spanish Association of GSD
- Medical Meeting, Researchers and Families. Spanish Association of Ataxia telangiectasia Family. AEFAT
- Scientific Medical Conference on Sotos Syndrom. Spanish Association Sotos Syndrom.
- Scientific medical Conference on Linfangioleiomiomatosis. Spanish Association Linfangioleiomiomatosis. AELAM
- MusicTherapy Conference in Williams Syndrome. ASW-Cantabria and AESW
- Scientific medical Conference on Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrom. Spanish Association Wolf-Hirschhorn Syndrom AESWH.

People affected	628
Families	915
Professionals	233
Total	1776





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### Developed actions



### NacER Program

This program is a collaboration with the Neonatology Unit Care Complex University of Burgos (CAUB) serving infants with real or suspected diagnosis of a rare disease from locations near Burgos: Aranda de Duero, Miranda de Ebro, Soria, Palencia, Leon. While babies remain admitted to hospital for prolonged periods of time, CREER offers accommodation to mothers and fathers, and psychological service, guidance and counseling service, available resources (contact with other families, associations or support groups, ...), special care training required to meet the newborn (rehabilitation, early speech care therapy, ...).



In CREER were treated a total of 39 people, families from 12 babies admitted to the University Hospital of Burgos

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#### SAMER Program



Multidisciplinary Care Service Rare Diseases (SAMER), aimed for affected people and family, has offered groups or individual psychological care, speech therapy, educational assistance, physiotherapy, occupational therapy, psychomotor, and multisensorial stimulation.

The program has responded to demands of people all over the national territory, to anyone who has required so providing accommodation in CREER.

Attended people  
291

Physiotherapy	1250
Psychological therapy	645
Occupational therapy	731
Adaptive Learning Program	484
Speech therapy	465
Medical consultant	361
Total sessions	3936

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#### Family Respite Care Program

During 2013 a total of 80 people have benefited from Family Respite Care Program that has been developed in the months of July and September.

The program aims to improve the quality of life of the people affected by a rare disease as their family and carers

Four shifts:

- 1 - 20 affected and five relatives
- 2 - 20 people affected
- 3 - 19 people affected
- 4 - 14 people affected and 7 relatives



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### Self-Care Program and Quality of Life

It provides training to carers and people with rare disease for:

- Help carers by providing information and resources that will

serve them in their duty

- Help affected people by providing information that helps them to improve their welfare and independence.

The program is delivered over 30 hours and is divided into various multidisciplinary workshops. 3 training editions have been developed for four days between June and November 2013.

Workshops included in the program

- Transfer aids, safe patient handling and movement.
- How physiotherapy can help me in everyday
- Healthy lifestyle habits
- Time management
- A sense of humor as selfcare
- Social Resources
- Social networks management
- Multisensory stimulation
- Stress Management and Emotional support and adaptation processes to disease.
- Body Language and Psychomotricity
- Techniques to develop creativity
- Adaptive learning program

Have participated 24 affected individuals and 28 families.

Age Group: 3 to 12 years old, 13 to 24 years old and from 25 years



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### Developed actions

Fourth Edition of the Training School  
CREER-FEDER: "Training People, Inspiring  
Actions"

19th and 22th September

The professional and representatives 50  
associations, who attended most state level,  
represented nearly 20,000 partners and  
families affected with rare diseases.



Contents: analysis and knowledge of  
legislation on themes related to cross  
Border Assistance, Data Protection,



### Training Actions

Disability Assessment and proposals for  
improvement.

An overview of the Action Plans, Key  
Messages and priorities was made as  
inspiration for Europlan2014 in Spain to  
realize. Impact of the 13 proposals to  
improve the situation of families with RD  
made with the consensus of more than  
230 associations, coinciding with the  
declaration of 2013 as the Spanish Year of  
Rare Diseases. Project results as BUROOL-  
RD, on the economic impact and the  
quality of life of patients and families with  
rare diseases were spread and share.  
professional and families

People affected and families	64
Professionals	41
Total	105

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### Developed actions

#### Rare Disease training and disability

During September to December, in coordination with the Training Section of Imserso, there have been three editions of the Course "Rare Diseases and Disabilities. Procedure disability assesment in rare diseases"  
The target group existed of professionals Assessment Disability Teams of the Autonomous Communities.

Held on 24 and 25 September 22 and 23 October and 19 and 20 November, 2013.

The main objective of the course was essentially the gathering of technical criteria for assessing the situation of disability and dependency for discussion and reflection on professional evaluators in order to achieve better coordination in evaluation procedures.

Participants 110

### Training Actions



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## II EDITION COURSE NEUROGENETICS

From 14th to 17 th June. With the collaboration of Neurogenetics Group of SEN, NEUROGENES, CIBERNED, CIBERER and CREER.

Goal: To help neurologists get familiar with the terminology and basic concepts, are handled in human genetic studies. Help them understand the genetic terminology and bring that language of molecular biology laboratory to the clinic and to the research and understandable way, with examples based on real cases taken from real hospitals.

Participants 51



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### Developed actions

Aimed at Professionals of the CREER

Communication Course in Sign Language  
Team Management Course  
Best s Practices Course

Participants:  
30 professionals of the Creer

### Training Actions





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### Training Actions

#### OTHER TRAINING ACTIVITIES

In the frame of the collaboration with local authorities, the Centre provides rooms to Burgos Associations, to develop training activities:

- Multiple Sclerosis Awareness World Day. Múltiple Sclerosis Association Burgos. AFAEM
- Training courses for Autism Professional Association Burgos
- Meeting "Thinking Health Feeling people". Huntington Disease Association Castilla y León.
- Workshop physiotherapy. AIDS Sheltered Housing "La Encina"
- Meeting "Hemophilia Information". Hemophilia Disease Association Burgos. HEMOBUR



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### Developed actions

### Awareness and Dissemination Program

2013 Spanish Year or Rare Disease. Awareness activities with national and international reach which aims to bring the reality of the rare diseases to the general population

World Day of Rare Diseases:

- I National Meeting of families and affected . World Day RD. From 24th to 28th February.
- Radio programs such as "Today is not any day "of RNE. Saturday, 27th February
- Open House Day
- World Day of Rare Diseases Gathering Burgos. Lecture: Jordi Aubeso national and international athlete.
- EXHIBITION "Rare Diseases!?"

From 20 February to 30 March at the University of Burgos.

From July 16 to August 15 in the Exhibition Hall of the Cathedral of Burgos.

Total Views: 3,153 People from 41 countries.



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### Awareness and Dissemination Program

- Tour Camino de Santiago: "A Walk in the Rare Diseases". July 21th. Santiago Way in the town of Burgos led by the Association Camino de Santiago Burgos. The day was completed with children's activities, musical performances and theater.

Video: [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OtZO8\\_VWbHQ](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=OtZO8_VWbHQ)

- Awareness and information conferences Burgos and province.
- Video forum during the months of October and November. Movies: "Untouchable", "Life Wings" and "Soul". Two films and one

documentary showing different aspects surrounding rare diseases. Total participants: 169

- Present in: national and local mass media, television, newspapers, radios

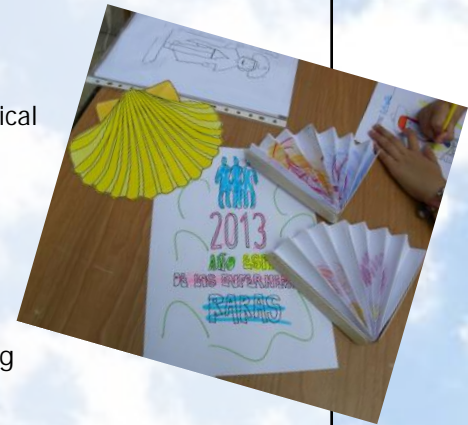
- Presence on Social Networks

- CREER "Newsletter" 12 issues

- Schools Awareness Activities Rare Diseases. Participants 463

- Educational visits to the Center under the Awareness and dissemination Program, aimed for students, professionals from the health system,

other professionals, teachers, etc.. There were 10 tours for a total of 160 participants.





## Information and Advisory Service SIA

This service provides information, guidance and advice. CREER has responded to demands such as:

- People affected by rarely diagnosed disease
- Families of people affected by rare disease.

- Professionals (associations, public administration...)
- Other people (students, population, in general, ...).

Demands met

- People affected: 128
- Families: 204
- Professionals: 51
- Others: 17

Attentions

- Face to face: 80
- e-mail: 112
- Phone: 210

Total

- In the year 2013 have been treated a total of 400 demands





## Cooperation with Other Entities

### ER BIOBANK and Registration

This program is a collaboration with the Research Institute in Rare Diseases Carlos III ( IIER ). Affected people, family who visit the center are offered information about the existence of the RD Register and what it is ( get as much information as possible for further research, participate in studies ... )

They are provided with forms to complete and CREER is responsible for sending them to IIER .

CREER also offer the possibility to collect blood samples to be sent to the biobank IIER that belong to the First operational network in Europe. It also provides with human DNA cells and tissue samples, as a service to the scientific community for the development and research of rare diseases. It is a European Network dedicated exclusively to research on Rare Diseases in Europe.

Over 2013 were collected a total of 71 samples  
124 cases were reported to the RD IIER



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### Cooperation with Other Entities

#### EURORDIS - Training Workshop WJA6. Copenhagen



EURORDIS Training workshop about Social Service Providers during the 10th and 11th of October in Copenhagen developed.

This Working Group is one of the 8 working groups formed from the Joint Action Plan Working for Rare Diseases (2012-2015) promoted by the European Committee of Experts on

Rare Diseases (EUCERD). Committee was formally established by Commission Decision European of 30 November 2009 (2009/872 / EC) in order to assist the Commission in the preparation and implementation of Community activities in the field of rare diseases, in consultation and cooperation with the specialized agencies of the Member States, the competent European authorities in the field of research and public health measures and other stakeholders active in the field.

Link to the final document "Training for Social Services Providers Report"

<http://www.eucerd.eu/wp-content/uploads/2014/03/WP6TrainingSSP.pdf>

## Cooperation with Other Entities

### Participation Initiatives



- Experience Map Units. Its aim is to facilitate access to information, to know where there is focus of cases affected by these diseases and where there is a greater experience in the diagnosis and treatment. Data are available of all the Spanish Regions to eight groups of diseases (ataxia, Angelman syndrome, muscular dystrophies, myasthenias, muscle atrophy, myotonia and fragile X Syndrome).

- Updated National Strategy on Rare Diseases of the National Health System. The strategy, part of the NHS Quality Plan, is a coordination tool for the NHS. It was approved in 2009 by the Inter-Territorial Council of the National Health System (CISNS), the result of consensus between all stakeholders: Ministry of Health and Social Policy, Regional Governments, scientific societies, patient organizations and representatives of other ministries.

According to the monitoring and evaluation results, the Creer has collaborated on updating both the content and the possible improvement actions of the National Strategy.

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