

ALBANIA

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*INTRODUCTION IN THE
HEALTH CARE SYSTEM AND
INFECTIOUS DISEASE
SERVICE*



COUNTRY PROFILE – ALBANIA

- **Population 2021 : 2829741**
- **Gross national income per capita:**
 - 2021 - **\$6,110**, a **16.16% increase** from 2020.
 - 2020 - **\$5,260**, a **0.57% increase** from 2019.
 - 2019 - **\$5,230**, a **7.61% increase** from 2018.
- **Health spending per capita**
 - **5,23% of GDP**
 - **727 USD**
- **Life expectancy 2021 – 79 Years old , Female - 81 years old**

HEALTH CARE SYSTEM AND INFECTIOUS DISEASE SERVICE

Primary – 413

- GP specialized in adults
- GP specialized in pediatrics
- Pediatricians

Primary care Specialized services

- **Infectious Diseases**
- **Gastro - Hepatology**

Secondary – 35 (70% - specialized ID , GH)

Tertiary care - 2 University Hospitals, 3 Hospitals, 2 – Maternity university hospitals

- **Gastro Hepatology university clinic – Tirana University Hospitals**
- **Infectious Diseases university clinic – Tirana University Hospital**

Diagnostics

- Health care check up – from 60 years old
- Laboratory Diagnosis of Viral hepatitis – Public private partnership (including primary and hospital care)
- Screening - Public health centers and Institute of Public Health

CHALLENGES

- **ID cannot prescribe DAA for Hep C even at least for HIV patients**
- **A small number of patients are included in the reimbursement scheme of DAA**
- **All DAA are prescribed in Tirana University Hospital**
- **Long patient way to get the right DAA**
- **Not all drugs for Hep B are available and also they have to be prescribed within Tirana University Hospital in both ID and GH clinic**