#### **Key figures for 2018**

## How membership fees and donations are spent

Total CHF 88 million



**25**%

Direct aid given to people with spinal cord injuries



18%

Support for the Medicine area of services



16%

Member support and fundraising expenses



12%

Infrastructure in Nottwil



12%

Support for the Education, Research and Innovation area of services



7%

Support for the Integration area of services



4%

Research contributions to third parties



4%

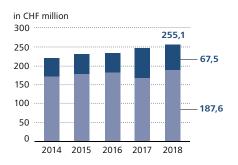


Administrative expenses

2%

Support for the Solidarity area of services

## **Development of** operational costs



Costs covered by benefactors and donors

Costs covered by partners involved in collective agreements and customers

#### The 2018 financial year

The activities of the Swiss Paraplegic Foundation, its subsidiaries and closely related organisations are documented in detail in the annual, financial and non-profit governance reports.

These publications can be viewed online at paraplegie.ch, or obtained in printed form by contacting the Swiss Paraplegic Foundation by telephone (+41 41 939 63 63) or email (ps.sec@paraplegie.ch).



## Performance 2018

of the Swiss Paraplegic Foundation, its subsidiaries and closely related organisations



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#### Solidarity

#### 1.8 million members

Almost a third of Swiss households are members of the Benefactors' Association. The 1.8 million members in 1.12 million households generated 70.8 million Swiss francs in membership fees.

#### 11% permanent members

Growth in the number of lifelong memberships was above average, rising by 7,838 to a total of 79,452 members (11%).

#### 25% direct aid

The Benefactors' Association paid 5.6 million Swiss francs in benefactor benefits to members who had recently had an accident. In addition, the Swiss Paraplegic Foundation approved 1,227 applications for direct aid, which amounted to 16.8 million francs in support payments. In total, the cost of this aid was 25% of all membership fees and donations received.

#### 43% to areas of services

43% of the total amount received in membership fees and donations went indirectly to people with spinal cord injuries by means of support for the areas of services. 12% was spent on the infrastructure of the specialist clinic, and 20% was spent on benefactor support, fundraising, and administration of the Swiss Paraplegic Foundation (the average Zewo value was 21%).

#### 10.635 visitors

140 internal guides from all areas and all levels of the hierarchy provided a total of 10,635 visitors with an insight into the specialist clinic on 432 tours.

#### 115,801 guests

Hotel Sempachersee welcomed 115,801 guests to 5,176 conferences and seminars. 39,506 overnight stays were booked on the Nottwil Campus.

#### Medicine

#### 52,628 care days

1,205 patients received 52,628 days of inpatient care. 9,103 of these days were dedicated to ventilated patients.
143 patients with spinal cord injuries completed their initial rehabilitation at the Swiss Paraplegic Centre. Another 804 were treated at Nottwil for complications or aftercare, with 26% of them admitted as emergencies.

#### 26% sports accidents

53 % of initial rehabilitation patients were affected by paraplegia, and 47 % by tetraplegia. 67 % of new spinal cord injury patients were male. Accidents caused 53 % of spinal cord injuries, with falls (42 %), sports (26 %) and traffic accidents (20 %) being the most frequent causes.

#### 5.9 hours of care

93 % of the 156 beds at the Swiss Paraplegic Centre were filled. On average, 5.9 hours of care were provided per patient per day.

#### 67 clinical studies

The Swiss Paraplegic Centre is conducting 67 clinical studies, including 37 new ones.

#### 1,231 employees

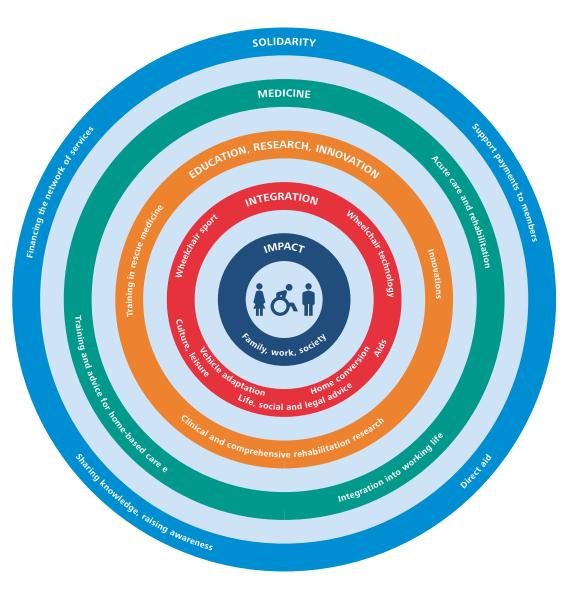
1,231 employees worked at the specialist clinic, including 155 apprentices. 74% of staff were women. Employee turnover was just 8.3%.

## 1,550 client visits

ParaHelp conducted 1,550 home consultations for clients. People with spinal cord injuries and their relatives had a great need for consultations on pressure ulcers and their prevention.

#### Areas of services of the Swiss Paraplegic Group

The Swiss Paraplegic Group provides a unique network of services to people with spinal cord injuries, from primary care through the end of their lives. Its aim is to provide comprehensive rehabilitation and reintegrate affected people into their family, work and social life. This basic strategic objective includes four areas of services.



Education, Research, Innovation

## 14,521 participant days

The Swiss Institute of Emergency Medicine Sirmed held a record number of 14,521 participant days.

## 10,000 participants

Since 2010, Swiss Paraplegic Research has collected and evaluated data for over 10,000 people with spinal cord injuries for its Swiss Spinal Cord Injury Cohort Study (SwiSCI), in cooperation with Switzerland's four paraplegic centres and the Swiss Paraplegics Association.

#### 22 countries

22 countries participated in a worldwide survey by Swiss Paraplegic Research of people with spinal cord injuries. By December 2018, data had been collected from over 12,000 participants. Initial results will be available at the end of 2019.

## 101 publications

Swiss Paraplegic Research published 101 articles in specialist international journals and books. 6 PhD theses and 24 Master's theses were successfully completed.

## 952,000 Swiss francs

Swiss Paraplegic Research received 952,000 francs for new and ongoing research projects from the European Commission, the Swiss National Science Foundation, and other funding agencies.

## 15 funded projects

The Innovation Centre for Assistive Technologies has overseen 15 funded projects concerning the provision of aids, sport and therapy, and learning technology.

5 projects were completed in the year under review.

#### Integration and lifelong assistance

# 11,100 wheelchair club members

The 27 wheelchair clubs of the Swiss Paraplegics Association have 11,100 members nationwide.

#### 56 seats

As an umbrella organisation for people with spinal cord injuries, the Swiss Paraplegics Association represents their interests in 56 strategic and operational committees.

#### 534 athletes

Wheelchair Sport Switzerland has assisted 534 athletes with licences to compete and supported 60 athletes in development programmes. 11 sports disciplines are supported by technical committees that promote the development of each sport and provide assistance to athletes.

#### 471 legal dossiers

The Institute for Legal Advice has processed 471 legal dossiers for Swiss Paraplegics Association members with spinal cord injuries.

#### 315 construction projects

The Centre for Obstacle-free Building has provided consultation services for 315 new construction projects for people with spinal cord injuries seeking to move, build, or renovate.

## 525 wheelchairs

Orthotec has converted 282 vehicles for wheelchair users and customised 525 new wheelchairs for people with spinal cord injuries. Over 4,400 customers have procured Orthotec products and attended consultations. 13,050 deliveries of incontinence products have been made.

#### 24,023 consultation hours

Active Communication, which supplies elec-tronic aids to children and adults with a disability, has provided 24,023 consultation hours.