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The health situation in a country is a key factor for human development. People, who are ill or have to look after ill relatives, are kept away from productively contributing to their family's and country's economic wellbeing. Instead, a lot of money is needed for treatment and medication.

As a consequence, many other key factor for human development (like food security and access to education) are affected; the development of the country is slowed down. The countries of the Orange-Senqu River basin have been experiencing these problems with the HIV/AIDS pandemic.

It is in the highest interest of any country/government to invest into good healthcare for its citizens – as investment here will produce multiple benefits.

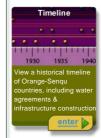
As a first overview, which should lead to further reading and discussion, the WHO country health profiles of the four <u>basin</u> states should be studied. These can be accessed in the <u>Documents Library</u>.

Next: Access To Education



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