

HOSPITAL CENTER OF COVA DA BEIRA, in Covilhã, Portugal, is a public entity providing health care. The available services, in accordance with Health Cluster areas, include:

- ✓ Palliative Medicine;
- ✓ Oncology;
- ✓ Infectious Diseases;
- ✓ Acute care for the patient with stroke (including stroke unit);
- ✓ Reproductive medicine;
- ✓ Hematology;
- ✓ Telemedicine;
- ✓ Integrated unit for diabetes.

Being a **university referral hospital**, is also intended to:

- ❖ **Promote synergies** between hospitals;
- ❖ **Develop high responsibility teaching**, being the Nuclear Hospital for Health Sciences Faculty, University of Beira Interior, Covilhã - Portugal;
- ❖ **Participate in pre and post graduate education**, according to national and international standards;
- ❖ **Develop clinical and scientific research**, promoting international affirmation of Portuguese science and contributing to support credible business initiatives in the areas of health technologies.

Center for Clinical Investigation

Hospital Center of Cova da Beira has an unit that was created to develop a policy to **incentive the growth of research projects**, the **Center for Clinical Investigation**. Thus, HCCB is an interdisciplinary research platform on which scientists and clinicians are able to exchange scientific information and create collaborations with the goal of developing and improving health care. The center develops several projects in collaboration with CICS-UBI (“Centro de Investigação em Ciências da Saúde” of University of Beira Interior), a FCT research unit developing activities in order to contribute towards a better understanding, diagnosis, monitoring and treatment of some of the most prevalent diseases in western societies.

The **Center for Clinical Investigation** is highly sought not only for **academic research** but also for **clinical trials, observational studies** and **experimental studies** with medical devices.

In **2013**, were received and organized **115 projects**:

- ✓ 2 observational studies;
- ✓ 1 experimental studie (with medical device);
- ✓ 2 clinical trials;
- ✓ 110 academic studies.

In **2014**, were received and organized **35 projects**:

- ✓ 2 experimental studies;
- ✓ 1 clinical trail;
- ✓ 32 academic studies.

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In 2013:

Observational studies:

- ✓ Anesthesia;
- ✓ Imunohemotherapy

Experimental studie (with medical device):

- ✓ Pulmonology

Clinical trials:

- ✓ Cardiology

In 2014:

Experimental Studies:

- ✓ Pulmonology; Cardiology, Medicine 1 and Medicine 2;
- ✓ Physical medicine and rehabilitation

Clinical trial:

- ✓ Imunohemotherapy

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