

SURVEY OF THE PROBLEMS PRESENTED BY visually ASSISTED BY THE OFFICE OF BLIND RIVER-Alleged WORKERS (IRCT).

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Introduction: The visual impairment is characterized by an organic or traumatic obstruction related to eye diseases, causing low or no visual function of vision. The causes are congenital or acquired, manifested at any age. In childhood contributes to delays in neuro psycho motor development

and limitations of development and the lack or failure of meaning. By WHO in Brazil the incidence of visually impaired is 7 / 1000. **Objective:** to survey the difficulties encountered in most of the visually impaired from IRCT. **Methodology:** The study was conducted in the IRCT and made the search all students enrolled in year 2008 and to participate effectively in the activities of the IRCT totaling 100 students. **Results and discussion:** of this study 5 categories: dependence in activities of daily living (0-5 years 100%, 6-12 75% 13-18 92%, 19-30 78%, 31-50 87%, 50 + or 61%) delays in neuro psycho motor development (0 -5 years 90%, 6-12 58%, 13-18 33%, 19-30 11%), orientation and mobility (0-5 years 60%, 6-12 67%, 13-18 100%, 19-30 45 %, 31-50 30%, 50 or + 36%) and difficulty of learning (0-5 years 50%, 6-12 83%, 13-18 92%, 19-30, 31-50 26%, 50 or + 21%) and not limiting difficulty (7% of total). **Conclusion:** After the survey it was found that prevalence of students with other difficulties arising from the DV that limit the capacity for independence, which suggests the need for an interdisciplinary intervention with them. **Contribution to the practice:** the need for extensive intervention for this type of population, which is not limited only to visual stimulation.

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