

## Human Rights Violations in Turkey by Numbers: Health Care Workers & Doctors

- The first decree law [KHK 667] under the State of Emergency identified **35** private health clinics and hospitals for closure. As of August 2017, **6,687** physicians and other individuals working for the Ministry of Health have been dismissed. Many of the **8,573** academics dismissed from their positions during the same period were also healthcare professionals.[1]
- A total of **12** health workers, including doctors, nurses and midwives were detained on February 16 in Eskişehir as part of an investigation into the Hizmet movement (February 2017).[2]
- Turkish media reported that **29** staff from the Istanbul Forensic Medicine Institute were detained. (July 30)[3]
- Until October 2016 Turkey's Social Security Institution (SGK) excluded at least **400** pharmacies from its electronic prescription system, which prevents them to sell medicine and receive payments from the state.[4]
- During a meeting with Amnesty International, Ministry of Health officials said that **6,383** of their employees that had been dismissed.[5]

[1] **Journalists and Writers Foundation Reports, The State of Turkey's Children: Victims of Unlawfulness (October 2017), p.13, para.3**

[2] **Journalists and Writers Foundation Reports, Women's Rights Under Attack in Turkey (May 2017), p.54, para.5**

[3] **Human Rights Watch Reports, A Blank Check: Turkey's Post-Coup Suspension of Safeguards Against Torture (October 2016), p.32, para.2**

[4] **Journalists and Writers Foundation Reports, The State of Turkey's Children: Victims of Unlawfulness (October 2017), p.13, para.4**

[5] **Amnesty International Reports, Turkey: no end in sight: purged public sector workers denied a future in Turkey (May 2017), p.10, para.2**