



### **Corporación de Ayuda al Niño Quemado**

Dr. Jorge Rojas-Zegers founded COANIQUEM in 1979 to provide physical, emotional, and psychological support for young burn victims across Latin America. COANIQUEM's goal is to help each young patient recover their functionality, self-esteem and social integration in order to lead a normal life. COANIQUEM operates three burn centers in Chile, located in Santiago (headquarters), Antofagasta and Puerto Montt, which treat over 8,000 children every year.



## Rehabilitation Centers

## Mission

- Provide free comprehensive rehabilitation treatment.
- Conduct prevention campaigns.
- Training in the rehabilitation of burns
- Research in the field of burn treatment.

**We are devoted towards healing the wounds, easing the pain and recovering self-esteem.**

**We believe** that COANIQUEM provides the highest quality care to rehabilitate and reinsert the burned child back into society.

**We believe** that we can improve with our work the lives of the burn victims.

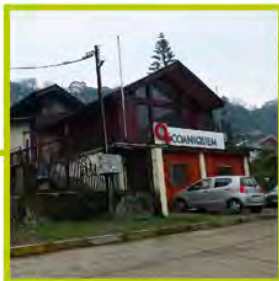
**We believe** that a child treated at COANIQUEM has a better chance of leading a fulfilling life.



**Antofagasta**



**Santiago**  
Headquarter



**Puerto Montt**



# COANIQUEM's Holistic Approach

The approach to treatment at COANIQUEM requires a multidisciplinary team of medical staff and therapists. The holistic approach provides medical care, reconstructive surgery, physical, music and occupational therapy, social and psychological services and spiritual support. Additionally, patients and parents receive room and board in Casabierta residence and education at the school on campus during therapy. All services are provided without any cost, no matter the nationality or socioeconomic status of the family.

70% of the burned children are younger than 5 years old when they get burned. As scars do not grow, many patients need a long and complex therapy to prevent loss of functionality and may need to remain under treatment until the end of growth.

Due to burns are highly related to poor housing conditions and socioeconomic status, most families cannot afford this kind of treatment and unless the children receive proper treatment, they are left with physical and psychological injuries they will carry their entire lives.

Social and care services and spiritual support also are part of COANIQUEM's holistic approach  
Shrine · Psychology · Music Therapy · Social services



**COANIQUEM has treated free of charge 125,000 patients, over 200 children of other Latin American countries, mostly from vulnerable families.**

## International Training Program

The training program consists of an e-learning course of 80 hours and one month internship at COANIQUEM's Clinic in Santiago. Trainees learn all the aspects involved in the treatment of children burns and develop a project to be implemented in their home health center with the constant support of COANIQUEM. This training has doubled the impact of the organization by spreading awareness about the holistic treatment model. Up to date, the organization has trained more than 300 pediatric burn professionals.



### Nationalities of professionals

Argentina	11	Ecuador	15	Panama	11
Bolivia	27	El Salvador	37	Paraguay	5
Brazil	9	Guatemala	15	Peru	43
Chile	66	Honduras	9	Puerto Rico	6
Colombia	10	Mexico	5	Dom. Republic	21
Costa Rica	16	Nicaragua	1	Uruguay	1
Cuba	1	Panamá	11	Venezuela	6



# Annual Report 2016

Children treated in Burn Centers	2016
Santiago	6,383
Antofagasta	846
Puerto Montt	845
Total	8,073

**Most common burns** are produced by contact with hot surfaces and toddlers are the most vulnerable to suffer burns.

## Income: \$2.780 MM Chilean pesos

- Programs 23%
- Private Donations 24%
- State's Subsidies 4%
- Medical Care 46%
- Others 3%

## Expenses: \$2.780 MM Chilean pesos

- Medical Services 88%
- Prevention Program 4%
- Training Program 6%
- Research 2%

## What's new in COANIQUEM

### World of Children Awards

On April 19 2017, World of Children celebrated the work of four extraordinary individuals who wake up every day to change children's lives. Dr. Jorge Rojas-Zegers was one of the heroes and received the 2017 World of Children Alumni Award for his extraordinary commitment to unlock the future for young burn victims.



### Telemedicine System

Thanks to Rotary Club Laguna Niguel, COANIQUEM implemented a Telemedicine System that connects the three Burn Centers. Now COANIQUEM is able to conduct medical meetings, evaluate patients by specialists and train professionals at distance, reducing patients and physicians' travels. The organization's IT department is developing an Electronic Medical Records system





# SAFE niños

Safe Niños project created by students of Designmatters, the program of the ArtCenter College of Design of Pasadena that seeks social impact through design, transforms COANIQUEM's campus into a magical ecosystem, inspired by Chile's diversity that empowers and nurtures patients and families through their healing journey. The new designs of the medical areas invite the patients to experience the therapy as an adventure, meeting animal friends that become models for courage and values and guide them in each step of their way to recovery.



## Packard Foundation Project

Casabierta, COANIQUEM's residence on campus, is being renovated thanks to a generous grant from Packard Foundation. New spaces for the staff, rooms for postop patients, upgrade security standards and thermal efficiency, in addition to interior and exterior paints, are making of Casabierta an even more welcoming experience for patients and parents who come from distant regions and can feel at home during their stay for therapy.



More information about COANIQUEM activities at [www.coaniquem.cl](http://www.coaniquem.cl)

## COANIQUEM BCF, Burned Children need your help

To assist in raising funds necessary to provide treatment for more children you may contribute to COANIQUEM BCF, the Burned Children Foundation, a private nonprofit established in the US in 1998. Your donation may be deducted from your federal income tax according to COANIQUEM BCF tax exempt status - Section 501(c)(3) of the Internal Revenue Code.

One of the most meaningful ways to support the work of COANIQUEM is to sponsor the treatment of one of COANIQUEM's young patients. Each sponsor will receive progress reports, getting this way an update of the rehabilitation process.

COANIQUEM BCF also welcomes cash contributions in any amount. Checks may be made out to COANIQUEM BCF and mailed to the following address:  
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