VIOLENCE AGAINST HEALTHCARE AND HUMANITARIAN WORKERS

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Violence against health care facilities and humanitarian workers remains a recurring and preoccupying issue in today’s world.

Paradoxically, this take place within a well-accepted framework of protection of health care facilities and medical or humanitarian personnel under international humanitarian law (IHL), which rules and principles are not contested either by states or non-state armed groups.

This IHL Talk, organized with the support of the ICRC, aims at reflecting on the reasons why health care and humanitarian workers are being targeted and what policy tools can be elaborated to implement and ensure better respect of the law by the different parties in armed conflicts.

MODERATION

- Imogen Foulkes, BBC Geneva Correspondent

PANELISTS

- Babak Ali Naraghi, Head of Health Care in Danger Project, International Committee of the Red Cross (ICRC)
- Robert Kolb, Professor of Public International Law, University of Geneva and Geneva Academy
- Caroline Abu Sada, Director of the Research Unit on Humanitarian Stakes and Practices (UREPH), MSF Switzerland

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