

Table 2.2: Health Personnel by type, (2012 -2020)

| | (Number) | | | | | | | | |
|--|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Health personnel | 2012 | 2013 | 2014 | 2015 | 2016 | 2017 | 2018 | 2019 | 2020 |
| Doctors (MBBS/Specialist) ¹ | 13 | 16 | 17 | 17 | 15 | 16 | 16 | 24 | 31 |
| Drungtshos (Indigenous Physicians) | 1 | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 4 |
| Clinical Officers | ... | ... | ... | ... | ... | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Assistant Clinical Officers (ACO) | 1 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Health Assistant | 38 | 43 | 56 | 56 | 56 | 49 | 48 | 52 | 63 |
| Basic Health Worker | 13 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Physiotherapists | 5 | 5 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 3 | 3 |
| Nurses (Assistant Nurse/GNM/B.Sc. Nurse) | 52 | 89 | 81 | 84 | 102 | 102 | 112 | 129 | 153 |
| Sowa Menpas | 4 | 5 | 5 | 4 | 4 | 6 | 6 | 7 | 7 |
| Pharmacists | 7 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 4 | 4 |
| Technicians | 51 | 32 | 37 | 37 | 37 | 37 | 45 | | 83 |
| Medical Lab. Technologists | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Village Health Worker (VHW) | 93 | 93 | 82 | 82 | 82 | 78 | 65 | 65 | 65 |
| Administration & Supporting Staffs (<i>Ward boys/Ward Girls, Caretaker, Cleaners, Drivers, etc.</i>) | ... | ... | 61 | 125 | 127 | 131 | 138 | 138 | 163 |

¹ Includes all medical doctors registered and certified by the Bhutan Medical and Health Council.

Source: Dzongkhag Health Sector