

Country Name: The Portuguese Republic

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Portugal is a country located in the south of Europe. Its founding year is 1143. The capital of Portugal is Lisbon. 51.5% of Portugal's population are women. Therefore, women have an important position in society. It is also the third country with the highest female population ratio among countries in Europe. Portugal has been a member of the United Nations since 1955. Despite all these positive situations, religious belief has a negative impact on women's rights.

Women's medical negligence in Portugal is due to many reasons, mostly as a result of the pressure of Catholic Christians on the healthcare system and healthcare professionals. In addition, Latin culture and old European culture had a great influence. Even nowadays, the majority of Portuguese people vote for parties that defend a male-dominated society, which causes women to experience negative discrimination in terms of health.

The most important element in resolving discrimination and negligence towards women in the health sector is to ensure that future generations, and if possible the current generation, are educated in gender equality and respect gender differences. At the same time, it is important that we make every effort to allow women to organize through peaceful means and to pave the way for them on this path. Apart from these ideas, some of the practices that have been carried out so far are as follows: A significant part of the public has organized marches and protests for the murdered women, and the government formed by the winning parties in the last elections has established a cabinet consisting mostly of women.