

# INCIDENTS DUE TO THE USE OF ANTIBIOTICS

## DETECTED IN THE PEDIATRIC EMERGENCY SERVICE OF A THIRD LEVEL HOSPITAL

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### Objective:

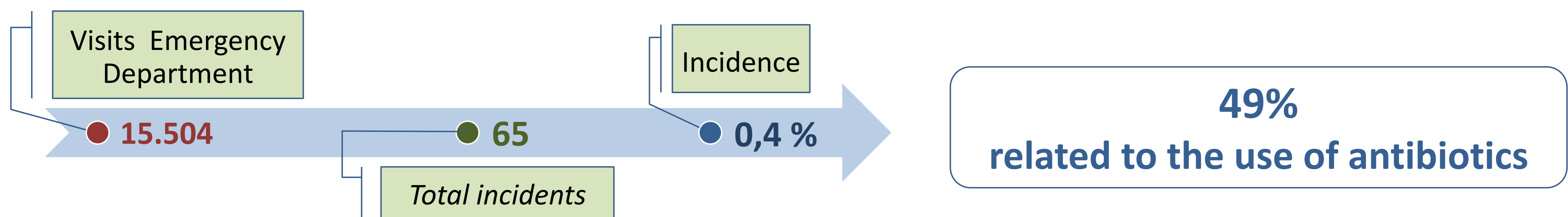
- ✓ To **characterize the incidents** associated with the use of antibiotics in pediatric patients who go to the Emergency Department.
- ✓ Identify the drugs, categorize the types and causes of errors, determine the severity and analyze the factors that influence its occurrence.

### Method:

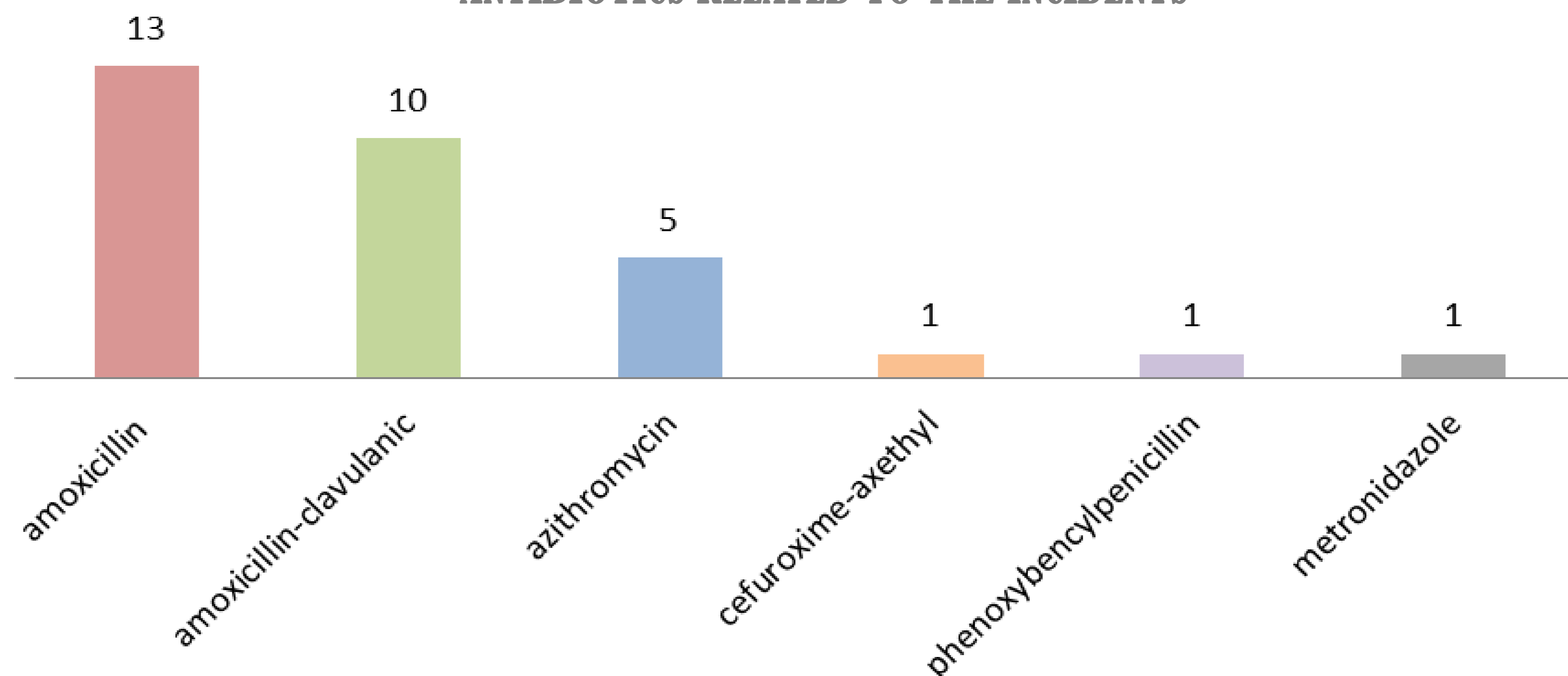
- ✓ Prospective observational study of the incidents detected in the Emergency Department during a period of 3 months in 2017. A **form** was used that included:

- Identify the **drugs**
- Determine the **severity**
- Categorize the **types** and cause of **errors**
- Analyze **factors** that influence

### Results:



### ANTIBIOTICS RELATED TO THE INCIDENTS



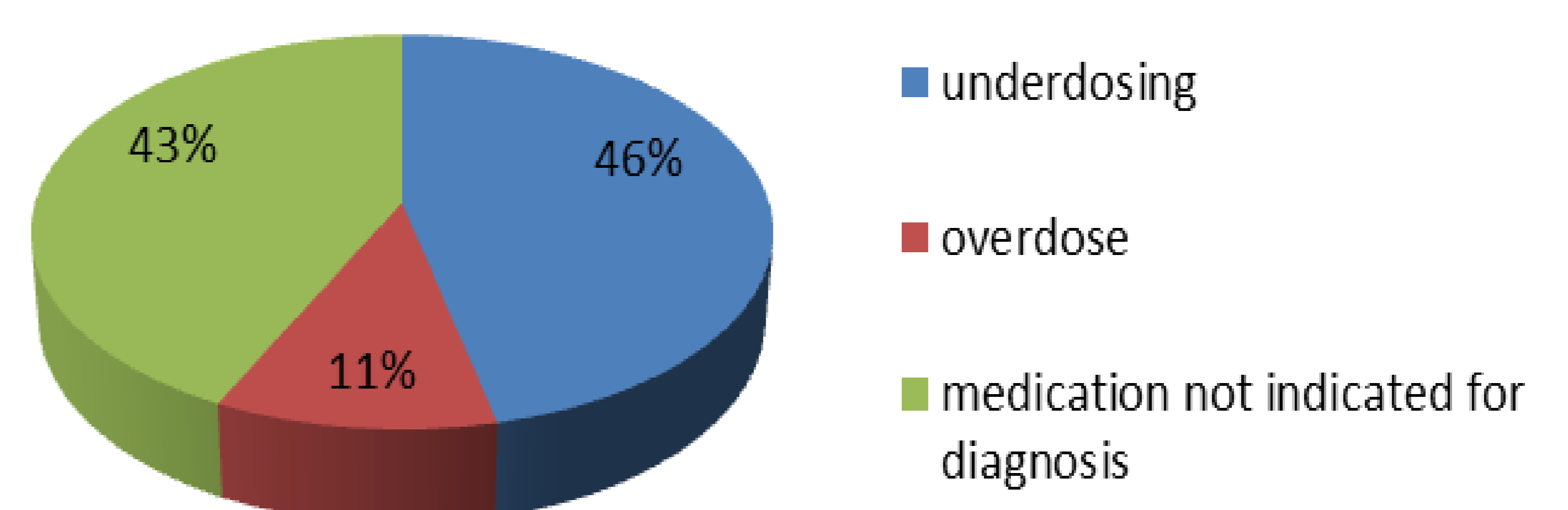
- 9,4% Non-preventable adverse events
- 90,6% Medication Errors

- In 48% of cases, the error reached the patient but did not cause damage.
- In 52% the error caused temporary damage to the patient and required treatment or intervention.

- The latent factors described in 87% of the cases were lack of knowledge and training about the medication and lack of follow-up of clinical guidelines.

### Process of the therapeutic chain where the error:

Medications errors:  
97% Prescribing process



### Conclusions:

- ✓ A **high number of incidents** related to antibiotic treatment have been observed in pediatric patients, mostly on prescription.
- ✓ We recommend the development of joint therapeutic guides between Primary Health Care and **Specialized Care** aimed at the safe use of antibiotics, focusing on the adequacy of the antibiotic and the dose based on the infectious process.