

# Prevenção Quaternária e limites em medicina

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with multicultural  
patients

I am a practicing GP



working in a multicultural team



In a private  
health center



# Do we have ethical limits in daily medical practice?

- Yes, a lot
- We are presently working on two of them right now

First

Our incapacity to deal with  
the true problems of some  
patients

Second

Our market driven influences

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to deal with  
the true problems  
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Jan Provoost, 1525, Le Jugement dernier. Detail.  
Musée Groeninge. Bruges

*Comportamento doentil*

**Worried well**

*Somatization*

*Somatic fixation*

*Você não tem nada*

*Somatoform disorder*

*Está na sua cabeça*

*Abnormal illness behaviour*

*Non disease syndrome*

*Hipocondria*

*Functional somatic syndromes*

*Excessivamente preocupado*

*Non disease disease*

*Hysteria*

*Medically unexplained symptoms*

# Second

## Our market driven influences



Pieter Pourbus, 1536, Detail.  
Musée Groeninge. Bruges



Let's see if we can approach those phenomenons by a careful analysis of the daily activities of family doctors

Let's consider

The patient doctor relationships  
The hope and wishes of each of them  
Their propensities  
Their roles and agendas

Please just forget the term « prevention » for a moment

## When a patient meets a doctor



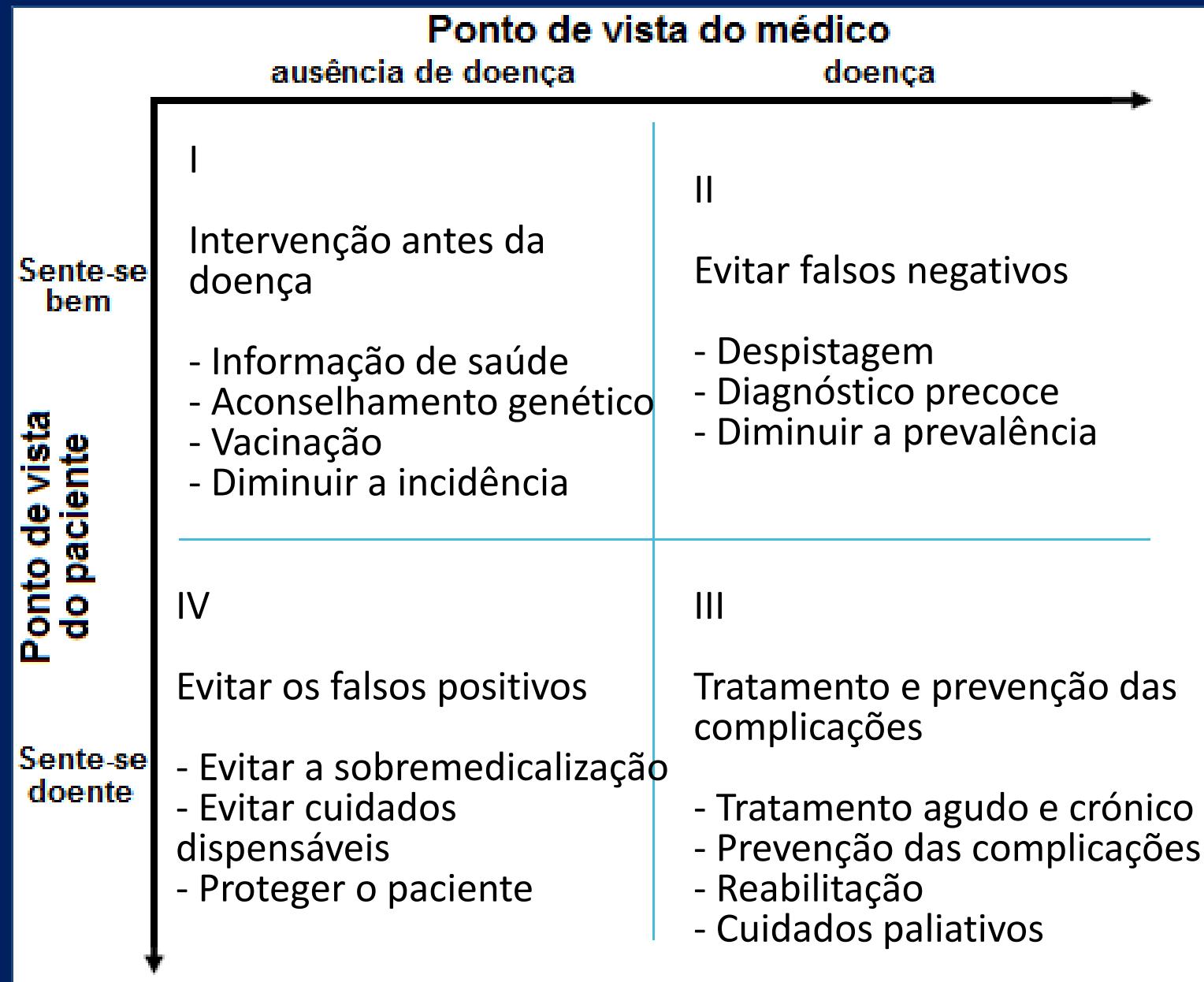
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A patient meets a doctor



A patient meets a doctor





# VAMOS OLHAR AS DEFINIÇÕES

Como publicado no

Bentzen N. Wonca Dictionary of General/Family  
Practice. Maanedsskr. Copenhagen.2003

Surprisingly, the definitions of prevention I, II & III fit perfectly in areas I, II & III

## Ponto de vista do médico

ausência de doença

doença

Sente-se bem

**Ponto de vista  
do paciente**

Sente-se  
doente

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Acção desenvolvida para evitar ou eliminar a causa de um problema de saúde de um indivíduo ou de uma população antes do seu aparecimento (exemplo: imunização)

II

Acção levada a cabo para prevenir o desenvolvimento de um problema de saúde desde uma fase inicial num indivíduo ou numa população, encurtando a sua evolução e duração (exemplo: rastreio HTA)

III

Acção desenvolvida para reduzir o efeito e/ou prevalência de problemas crônicos de saúde em indivíduos ou populações visando a minimização das alterações funcionais originadas por esses problemas (exemplo: prevenção das complicações da Diabetes)

The fourth field was evidently waiting for a definition

We had already proposed this one, which has been accepted by WICC and incorporated in the Wonca dictionary

**Action taken to identify patient at risk of overmedicalisation, to protect him from new medical invasion, and to suggest to him interventions, which are ethically acceptable**

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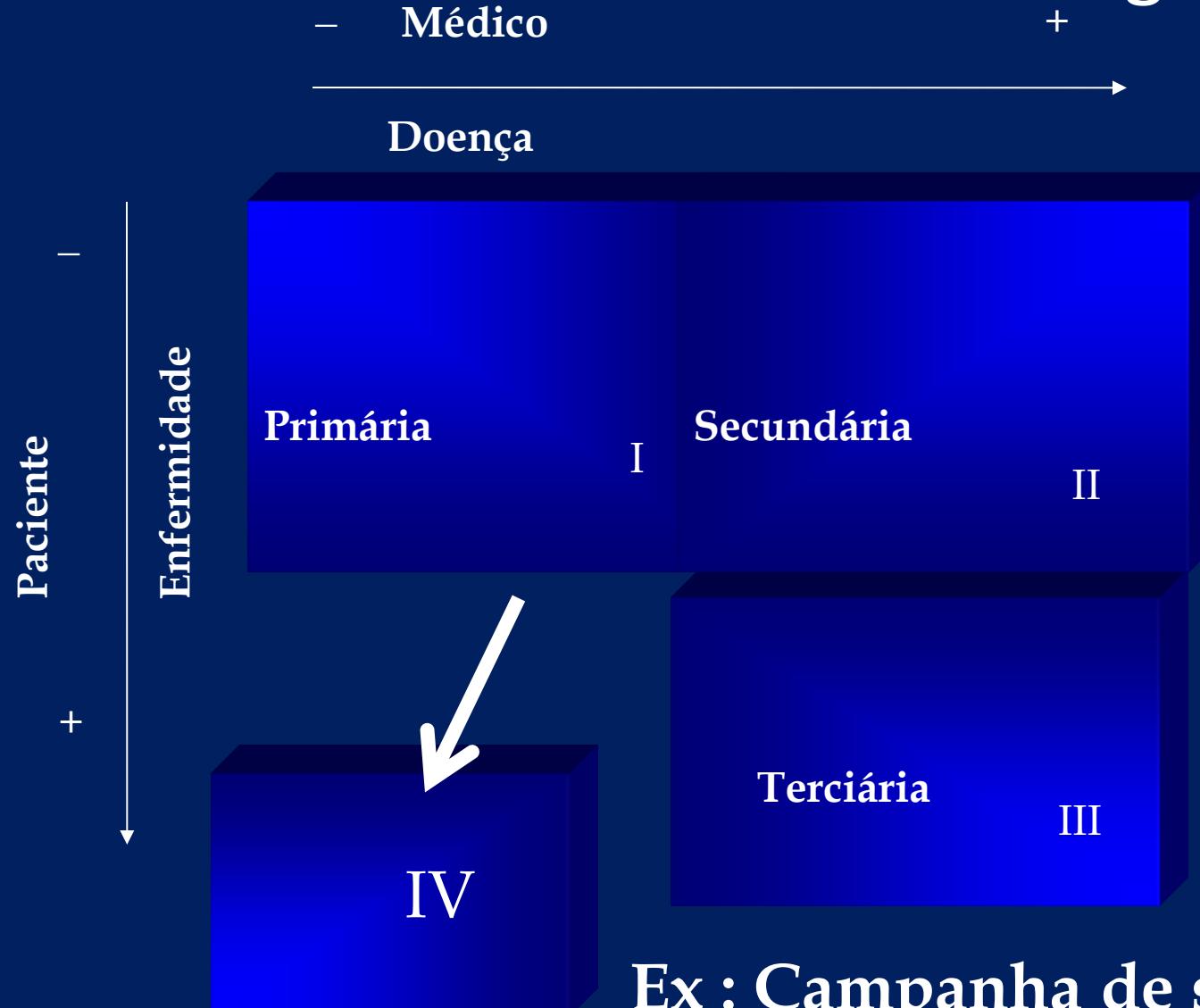
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Miguel Alcaliz  
La légende de St Michel (détail)  
Valence 1421  
Musée des beaux arts, Lyon

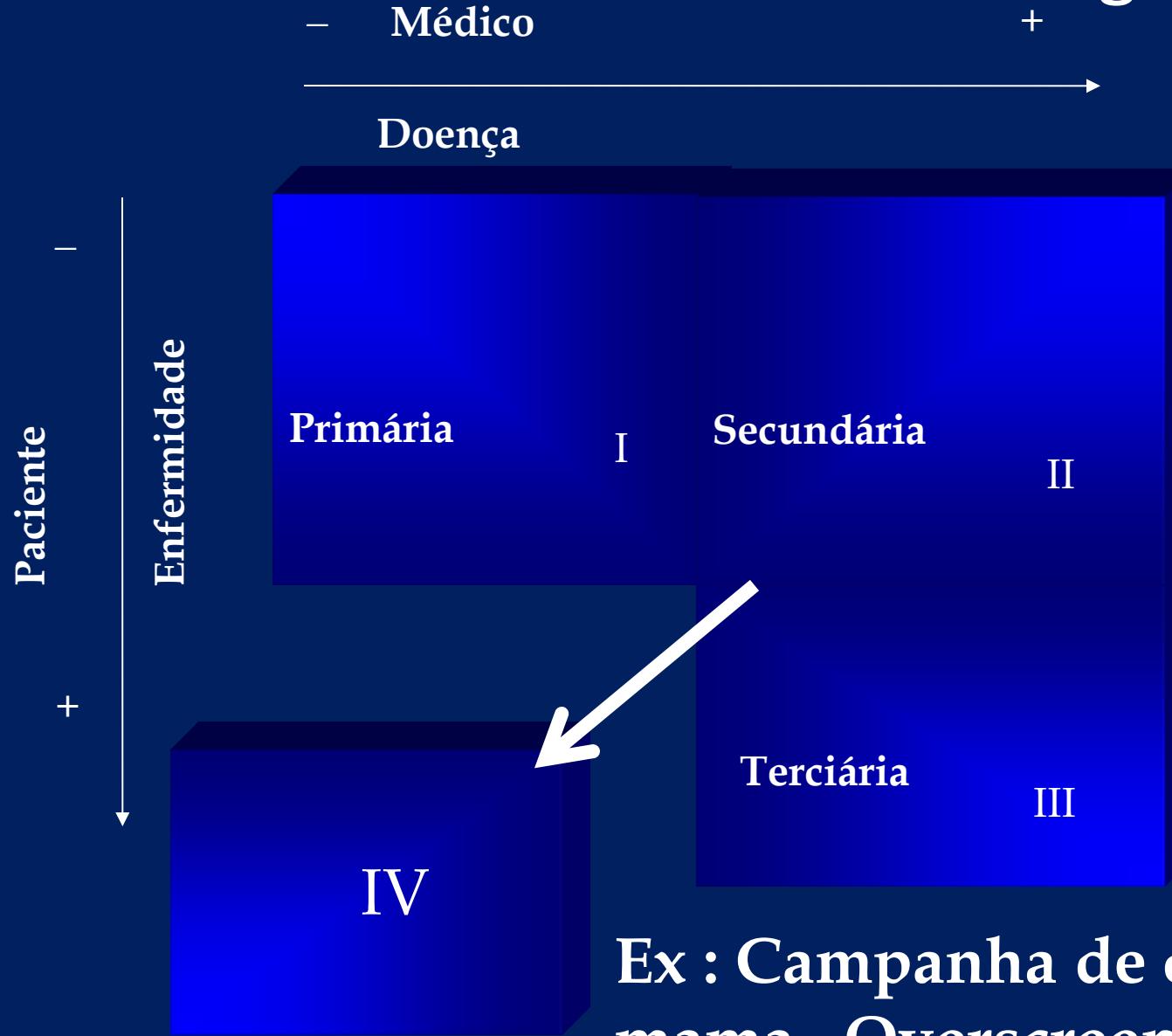
This is called the Quaternary prevention concept which apply also in the three other fields

# Preventing medicine



Ex : Campanha de saúde  
inadequada. Useless immunisation

# Preventing medicine



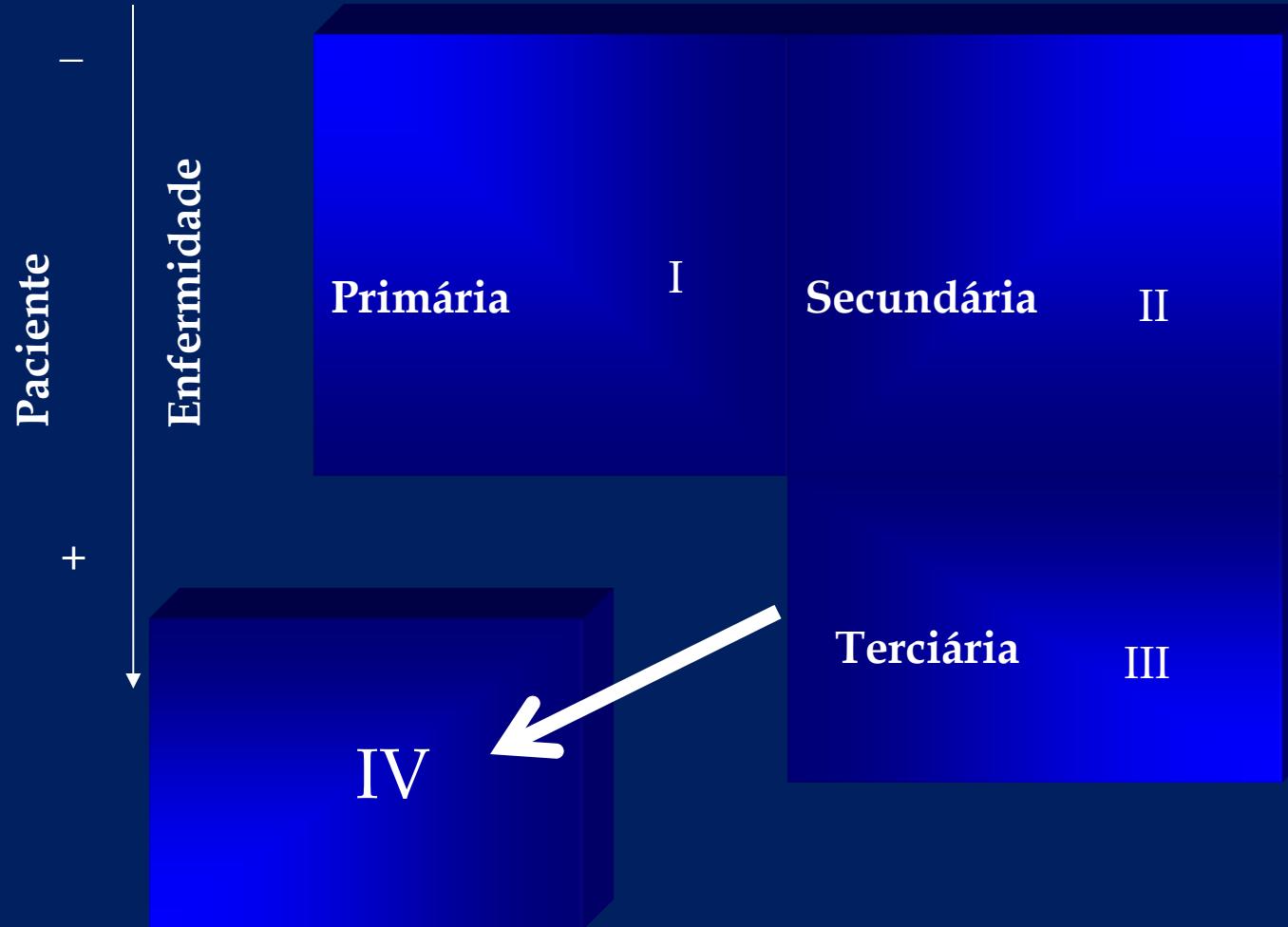
**Ex : Campanha de câncer de mama    Overscreening**

# Preventing medicine

- Médico

+

Doença



Ex : angioma no fígado de 3 mm  
Incidentaloma

Ex : toxic drug with no antidote  
ex : Xarelto

Now you can see the  
Quaternary prevention' s origin of the concept

More than a concept and a definition,  
it's an attitude applicable to all field of activities in GP/FM

Do see the next table

That's a good definition of your daily job

As time is always with you, the term prevention  
is no more needed

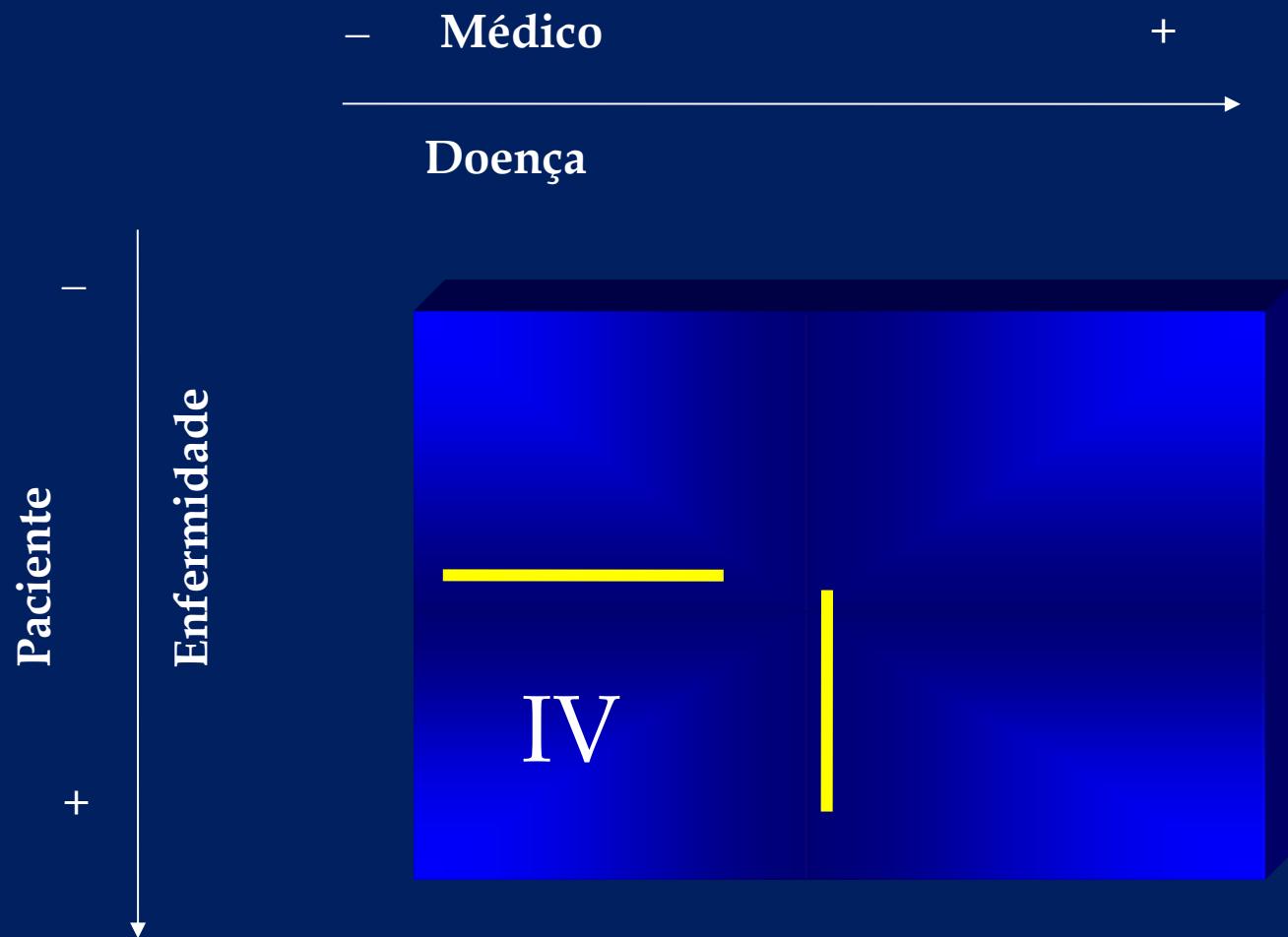
Action taken to avoid or remove the cause of a health problem in an individual or a population before it arises. Includes health promotion and specific protection (e.g. immunisation).

Action taken to detect a health problem at an early stage in an individual or a population, thereby facilitating cure, or reducing or preventing its long-term effects (e.g. methods, screening, case finding and early diagnosis).

Action taken to identify a patient or a population at risk of overmedicalisation, to protect them from invasive medical interventions and provide for them care procedures which are scientifically and ethically acceptable.

Action taken to reduce the chronic effects of a health problem in an individual or a population by minimising the functional impairment consequent to the acute or chronic health problem (e.g. prevent complications of diabetes). Includes rehabilitation.

# How to apply ?



Quaternária  
attitude

{ Escutar o paciente  
Controlar a medicina

# Listen to the patient

A symptom can hide a lot of problems, difficulties, hopes and duties for the patient

Pick any method to develop your personal skills:

- Communication skill training
- Balint group
- Team training & building
- Ethical seminars
- Self knowledge
- Learn empathy



Carpentier J. Medical Flipper. Cahiers libres, 402. Paris: la Découverte; 1989. .

# Control medicine ; Free of smoke resources

International society of drug Bulletin ; <http://www.isdbweb.org/>

Prescrire fr ; <http://www.prescrire.org/fr/>

Groupe de Recherche et d'Action pour la Santé ; <http://www.grouperechercheactionsante.com/>

Australian therapeutic guidelines; <http://www.tg.org.au/>

Canadian therapeutic initiative : <http://www.ti.ubc.ca/>

Belgian Minerva: <http://www.minerva-ebm.be>

The Cochrane Collaboration ; <http://www.cochrane.org/>

Finnish EBMguidelines ; <http://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/book/10.1002/0470057203>

Belgian EBMpracticenet ; <https://www.ebmpracticenet.be/fr/Pages/Welkom.aspx>

Spanish Equipo Cesca ; <http://equipocesca.org/>

Belgian Centre for Pharmacovigilance : [http://www.fagg-afmps.be/en/human\\_use/medicines/medicines/pharmacovigilance/bcpn/](http://www.fagg-afmps.be/en/human_use/medicines/medicines/pharmacovigilance/bcpn/)

French centers for pharmacovigilance ; <http://www.centres-pharmacovigilance.net>

Brazilian Bireme ; <http://www.bireme.br/php/level.php?lang=pt&component=107&item=107>

Alter Dictionnaire ; <http://alterdictionnaire.homovivens.org/>

P4 groups Brazil, Peru, Uruguay, Argentina, Bolivia

Selling sickness movement : <http://sellingsickness.com/>

Right Care alliance ; <http://lowninstitute.org/right-care-alliance/>

Surmedicalisation France : <http://surmedicalisation.fr/>

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# And read !



# P4 groups & resources

- WICC      <http://ph3c.org>    Quaternary prevention rubric
- Argentine <http://prevencion4.com.ar/>  
[prevencion-cuaternaria@gruposyahoo.com.ar](mailto:prevencion-cuaternaria@gruposyahoo.com.ar)
- Brésil      [groups.google.com/forum/gtprevencaoquaternaria/](http://groups.google.com/forum/gtprevencaoquaternaria/)  
[gtprevencaoquaternaria@gmail.com](mailto:gtprevencaoquaternaria@gmail.com)  
Twitter @prevquaternaria  
[www.facebook.com/pages/Prevenção-Quaternária/](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Prevenção-Quaternária/)
- Espagne [SIAP2011@yahoogroups.com](mailto:SIAP2011@yahoogroups.com)
- Uruguay [www.facebook.com/pages/Prevención-Cuaternaria/](http://www.facebook.com/pages/Prevención-Cuaternaria/)

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รักษาด้วยวิธีแบบปัจจุบัน	<p><b>การป้องกันระดับปฐมภูมิ</b>            คือหลีกเลี่ยงหรือเอาสาเหตุของปัญหาสุขภาพ ทั้งในระดับปัจจุบัน บุคคลหรือกลุ่มประชากรโดยรวม ออกก่อนที่จะเกิดโรค รวมถึง การส่งเสริมสุขภาพและป้องกันแบบเฉพาะ เช่น การสร้างภูมิคุ้มกัน เป็นต้น</p>	<p><b>การป้องกันระดับทุติยภูมิ</b>            คือการตรวจเจอปัญหาสุขภาพตั้งแต่ระยะแรก ทั้งในระดับปัจจุบันบุคคลหรือประชากรโดยรวม ด้วยวิธีดูแลรักษา หรือลดระดับ หรือป้องกันการแพร่กระจาย หรือ ป้องกันผลที่จะเกิดขึ้น ในระยะยาว เช่น วิธีการคัดกรอง ค้นหาผู้ป่วยและวินิจฉัยตั้งแต่ระยะเริ่มต้น</p>	
รักษาไม่ดี	<p><b>การป้องกันระดับจตุภูมิ</b>            คือการระบุตัวผู้ป่วยหรือประชากรที่มีความเสี่ยงต่อการปฏิบัติทางการแพทย์ที่เกินความจำเป็น โดยปกป้องผู้ป่วยจากเครื่องมือทางการแพทย์ที่รุกรานตัวผู้ป่วยและจัดให้ผู้ป่วยได้รับการดูแลด้วยหลักการยอมรับทางจริยธรรม</p>	<p><b>การป้องกันระดับตertiyภูมิ</b>            คือการลดภาวะเรื้อรังของปัญหาสุขภาพ ทั้งในระดับปัจจุบันบุคคลหรือประชากรทั่วไป โดยพยายามลดการสูญเสียในหาน้ำที่ของร่างกายจากปัญหาสุขภาพทั้งในระยะเดียวพลัน และระยะเรื้อรัง</p>	

# Next P4 event

Seminário Brasileiro de Prevenção Quaternária  
em Atenção Primária à Saúde, Curitiba, Brazil

28/11/2013 a 01/12/2013 Promoção SBMFC e APRMFC

Program available on :<http://hamiltonwagner.com/>

I wish you all  
a formative meeting

Just like picking up  
grapes,  
you need tools  
and enthusiasm

Thank you

