Dilma Rousseff Praises Medical Program in Brazil with 11,000 Cuban Doctors



Havana, June 30 (RHC) — Brazilian President Dilma Rousseff has praised the national program known as More Doctors, being implemented by 14,462 medical doctors. She noted that more than 11,000 of those doctors are Cubans, offering their services in the South American nation following an accord signed between the Pan-American Health Organization and the Brazilian government.

The More Doctors Program is being implemented in 3,919 Brazilian municipalities and is benefiting 50 million citizens, said Rousseff during her Monday Radio show, "Coffee with the President."

These specialists are significantly improving the quality of medical attention in Brazil, said the president, as she recalled that the program, implemented nearly one year ago, was initially aimed at providing medical coverage to 46 million Brazilians and that the initiative has helped reduce infant and mother mortality.

Along with the service being offered by local and foreign doctors, the government is looking forwards to solve the lack of doctors in the country by increasing registration in medicine schools by 11 thousand 500.

Rousseff noted that the More Doctors program was implemented in response to the demand by the people to improve medical services.

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