

Violence Against or Obstruction of Health Care in Sudan

Since the military coup on October 25

26 October-
16 November
2021

Marches of the Millions protests have been taking place across Sudan after the military coup on October 25. Over 40 people have been killed and many others injured by live ammunition and tear gas fired by security forces during the protests. **The violence has impacted health workers, hospitals and patients.**

Two doctors have been killed, wounded demonstrators have been prevented from receiving medical treatment at hospitals, patients have been denied access to COVID-19 treatment, and at least two health workers have been detained.

Below are the incidents Insecurity Insight has documented so far between 26 October and 16 November. The incidents reported are not a complete nor a representative list of all incidents that affected the provision of health care and have not been independently verified. Data collection is ongoing and data may change as more information is made available.

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Documented incidents, 25 October and 16 November 2021

25 October 2021: In Khartoum, clashes relating to the 25 October military coup left 10 dead, including two male doctors. **Source:** [The Guardian](#)

25 October 2021: In an unspecified location, health workers at the National Blood Bank were forcefully stopped from performing their duties by Sudanese Security Forces. **Source:** [Unified Office of Sudanese Doctors](#)

As reported on 26 October 2021: In Khartoum, military forces and Darfuri armed movements opened fire around the Royal Care Hospital, and asked staff to hand over wounded protesters. Patients hid under their beds and seats for cover. **Source:** [The Guardian](#)

30 October 2021: In Khartoum, joint military forces prevented wounded demonstrators from being admitted to the Sudan Armed Forces hospital. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

30 October 2021: In Omdurman, Sudanese Security Forces denied wounded civilians access to Omdurman Military Hospital. **Source:** [Unified Office of Sudanese Doctors](#)

30 October 2021: In an unspecified location, ambulances carrying wounded protesters were violently stopped causing significant damages to the vehicles. **Source:** [Unified Office of Sudanese Doctors](#)

09 November 2021: In El Obeid city, North Kordofan state, regional authorities broke up a demonstration organised at the Grand Market, using teargas and excessive violence. At least 14 protesters were detained, including a female member of the Sudan Doctors Central Committee who

was assaulted after being detained while waiting near a police station for colleagues bailing a number of detainees. **Sources:** [Dabanga Sudan I](#) and [Dabanga Sudan II](#)

11 November 2021: In Ed Daein city, East Darfur state, Rapid Support Forces refused to admit five government officials currently serving a three-month prison sentence, including the Director of the state Health Ministry, to a nearby COVID-19 hospital. **Source:** [Dabanga Sudan](#)

11 November 2021: Military forces arrested a male member of the Central Committee of Sudan Doctors. **Source:** [Twitter](#)

13 November 2021: Insecurity forces reportedly hindered the transportation of wounded protests to hospitals to receive medical attention. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

13 November 2021: In Omdurman city, Military Coup Council's forces raided the El Arbaeen Hospital and attacked doctors on duty, wounded civilians, their families, and detained some of them. **Source:** [Radio Dabanga](#)

13 November 2021: In Omdurman city, Sudanese Security Forces raided the A&E department at El Arbaeen Hospital. **Sources:** [Dabanga Sudan](#), [MinBane](#) and [Unified Office of Sudanese Doctors](#)

13 November 2021: In Omdurman, Sudanese Security Forces fired tear gas inside Waad Hospital. **Sources:** [Dabanga Sudan](#), [La Prese Latina](#), [Middle East Eye](#) and [Unified Office of Sudan Doctors](#)

13 November 2021: In Khartoum, Sudanese Security Forces raided the A&E department at Sharq Elneel Hospital (Eastern Nile Hospital). Doctors were subjected to body searches and one doctor was arrested. **Sources:** [Middle East Eye](#) and [Unified Office of Sudanese Doctors](#)

14 November 2021: In Ed Daein city, East Darfur state, unidentified perpetrators attacked an MSF convoy travelling towards the Kario Refugee Camp. An MSF Land Cruiser was stolen, and staff threatened with guns and beaten. **Sources:** [Dabanga Sudan](#) and [MSF](#)

14 November 2021: In an undisclosed location, a patient was arrested, possibly at a health facility. **Source:** [WHOSSA](#)¹

15 November 2021: In Kassala state, Sudanese Security Forces raided Kassala Hospital, denying doctors access to the hospital in an attempt to abort a peaceful protest organised by Kassala Hospital Doctors. **Source:** [Unified Office of Sudanese Doctors](#)

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¹ [WHOSSA](#) accessed 16 November 2021.