

B (Health and Sanitation)
2 (Leprosaria)

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Ponape District

USNMG Leprosaria, Insane Asylums and Orphanages: There are no insane asylums or orphanages. The four known Ponapean lepers are isolated in Sapatik Island in Ponape harbor where they are visited weekly by medical department personnel who take them such supplies as they require and at least once monthly by a Medical Officer. The only other known lepers are on Pingelap where there are three with positive nasal smears and four suspects. These are isolated on the island it being considered impractical practical to bring them to Ponape until proper housing and therapeutic materials are available.

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