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The year 2009 was for Czech Dental Chamber an electoral year and it constituted an important milestone which determined baselines of Chamber's activities for the new four-year term of office.

TERM OF OFFICE 2009-2013

From the beginning of 2009 Czech Dental Chamber paid great attention to the preparation of the election to central and regional bodies for the new term with the aim to involve in their activities as many dentists of young and middle generations as possible. The election to central bodies was held at the Chamber's assembly in May which was followed by the election to regional bodies in all regional dental chambers. The new four-year term of office was commenced on 21 September 2009. MUDr. Pavel Chrz became the head of the Chamber, MUDr. Jan Černý was elected the vice-president. Personnel modification of one-third of staff took place in all bodies. A symbolic termination of the previous and a commencement of the new term of office was represented by the Ceremonial Assembly of the Chamber held in October in the Great Hall (Aula Magna) of Carolinum, Prague. Main targets of Czech Dental Chamber for the term 2009-2013 were approved by the assembly in November.

ACTION ON DENTISTS' BEHALF

The economic crisis in the Czech Republic was accompanied by a governmental crisis which affected the development in health services. The crisis gave a stop to the health services reform initiated by the Minister of Health, Mr Tomáš Julínek. After his removal in January 2009, the post was filled by Daniela Filipiová. However, as early as in May, she was replaced by Dana Jurásková, a member of the temporarily constituted government officials. There was no will to implement plans for system changes in functioning of health services or health care financing. Nevertheless, the government managed to negotiate a number of legislative changes. Czech Dental Chamber was actively following the preparation of the draft laws and succeeded in putting through a number of demands and comments regarding the practice of profession of a dentist and the operation of dental surgeries.

PROFICIENCY AND EDUCATION

Czech Dental Chamber further focused on improving the quality of services for their members and extending the offer of life-long education for dentists as well as the whole dental team. The international congress Prague Dental Days was enlarged by an individual programme for dental technicians and was visited in total by a record number of more than 1400 participants. Within the scope of their edition activities, the Chamber issued a new expert publication from the field of paediatric dentistry. A prestigious event was the formal recognition of the LKS journal, the Chamber's monthly, as a professional peer-reviewed periodical. A successful project was the elaboration of a survey of emergency dentists in the Czech Republic which was made available to public on the Chamber's web pages in October. Chamber's priorities included work in international organizations. In May the Chamber organized in Prague a CED plenary session, which was held under a great interest of media, within the frame of the Czech presidency of the EU Council. Representatives of CED member organizations met in Prague again in October, at the workshop called Teeth Whitening Solely in the Dentist's Surgery – Yes or No?. Conclusions were summarized in a document called The Prague Declaration which became a base for other negotiations in EU bodies.

CSK members classified by the method of their practice

Entrepreneurs with their own surgery and partners of corporate bodies	5780	66,83 %
Employees	1597	18,46 %
CSK members on maternity leave	261	3,02 %
Retired	795	9,19 %
The others – not working in this sector in CR	216	2,50 %
Total	8649	100 %

Dentists practising in CR, classified by age and sex

Age	Men	Women	Total
24 – 29	278	496	774
30 – 34	277	223	500
35 – 39	188	322	510
40 – 44	184	348	532
45 – 49	172	285	457
50 – 54	300	950	1250
55 – 59	621	1309	1930
60 – 64	275	554	829
65 – 69	203	266	469
70 – 99	76	50	126
Total	2574	4803	7377

Dentists practising in CR, classified by age and expertise

Age	DP*	Orthodontists	Surgery**	Total
24 – 29	770	4	0	774
30 – 34	474	26	0	500
35 – 39	472	30	8	510
40 – 44	497	24	11	532
45 – 49	437	13	7	457
50 – 54	1187	60	3	1250
55 – 59	1833	84	13	1930
60 – 64	769	51	9	829

65 - 69	435	25	9	469
70 - 99	111	6	9	126
Total	6985	323	69	7377

*Dentists, members of the Czech Dental Chamber, with professional competency to exercise the dentist profession as per Act No. 95/2004

**Oral and maxillofacial surgery

Foreigners practising dentistry in CR

EU citizens	Non-EU citizens	Total
138	93	231

The Czech Dental Chamber (CSK) prepares medical school graduates for their independent practice. The CSK organizes lifelong learning programmes for dentists and confirms compliance with lifelong learning requirements by issuing the Certificate of Proficiency. Simultaneously, the Chamber organizes training for dental auxiliaries.

Holders of a valid Certificate of Proficiency

Type of a Certificate of Proficiency	No. of holders	Issued 2009
Dentist Practitioner holding a Certificate of Proficiency	4599	485
Dentist Practitioner holding a Certificate of Proficiency in Periodontology	439	78
Dentist Practitioner holding a Certificate of Proficiency in Oral Surgery	450	42
Dentist Practitioner holding a Certificate of Proficiency in Paediatric Dentistry	21	2
Dentist holding a Certificate of Proficiency in Orthodontics	45	5
Total	5554	612

Training organized by CSK

Training		No. of participants	
Type of training	No. of training events	Dentists	The others
Theoretical	103	2367	206
Practical	8	56	8
Prague Dental Days	1	745	659
Total	112	3168	873

Training and short-term trainee-ship held by other organizers, registered with CSK

No. of training events	752
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