

Dear ERO board members,

Please find herewith my report of the activities of the Working group Ageing Population and the Joint ERO/CED Workforce on AMR.

Working group Ageing Population

The Working group met online September 1. 2021. Following the decisions of the working group meeting of Februari 25 a first draft was presented of a toolkit as an instrument for the staff in nursing homes to support and guide the vulnerable patient in order to maintain their oral hygiene.

The toolkit bears the titel 'Don't forget the mouth! Why oral hygiene is important' The working group met again online February 3. 2022 to finalize the draft. The toolkit is available in English but can be translated in every other European language while keeping the format as it is. The toolkit has also been adapted for use on social media i.e. mobile phone.

At its next meeting to be held during the ERO in Bucharest the working group will discuss future topics. Already suggested was to focus on elderly patients at home who are vulnerable, dependent on care, but unable to maintain oral hygiene themselves and/or to visit a dentist on a regular basis.

ERO/CED Joint Workforce on AMR

The ERO/CED Joint Workforce met online several times for this report starting with April 6. 2021.

Following the decisions of the Joint Workforce of February 22 a draft texts was discussed of a leaflet on AMR with as target audience the dentist. In its online meeting of May 20 the text was presented in draft-layout and approved. The leaflet is meant to become available for member associations and is designed for use as a folder by double sided printing but also for distributing via social media. Member associations are free to translate the leaflet in their own language which is possible while keeping the format as it is. Also in the meeting of May 20 the Joint Workforce decided to continue with developing a leaflet on AMR more specific for patients. The leaflet for dentist was finalized and has been sent to the boards of ERO and CED for approval.

In the meeting of October 13 a draft-leaflet for patients was discussed. The focus was presentation of the leaflet in the AMR awareness week starting November 18. The members of the Joint Workforce approved the final version of the leaflet for patients by email. The leaflet is available and suitable for double sided printing as well as for social media like Facebook/LinkedIn. The leaflet was sent to boards of ERO and CED for approval. An instruction for the use of the leaflet on social media is now being developed and will be available for the member association soon.

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