

Regional European Organisation of the FDI

National Report

Country: Slovakia Association:Slovak Chamber of Dentists Venue: Almaty Year: 2019

Please classify your national report by following subjects:

Changes

in the association and its organisation:

In Autumn 2019 there has been election in the Slovak Dental Chamber. The Board of Presidents and Council has been elected new. On the position of President, Vicepresident and Director of Foreign Affairs department has not been any change.

President: Vicepresidents: Igor Moravcik Matus Ursiny Jozef Hudec

Director of Foreign Affairs: Simona Dianiskova Beside this a remarkable portion of younger dentist has been elected for various positions in the leadership of the chamber, which is a very positive sign.

Trends and developments:

in professional politics: none

in health and social politics: the Law on amalgam use is fully valid and Slovak chamber of Dentists has agreed with Health insurance companies on reimbursement of alternative basic filling for all population.

eHealth system is now sure to be adopted for all dentists. The chamber monitors the development and helps the dentists by advising to implement it smoothly.

in educational politics: There has been a revision of Law on continuing education, which brought a considerable reduction of educational credits needed for dentists in the lifelong learning.



In 5 years evaluation period it is now compulsory to gain 90 points (1 point is for 60 minutes educational activity) in comparison with previously 150 points.

in the insurance system (incl. the public health insurance and private insurance schemes): There has been an agreement between Dental chamber and all Health insurance companies, that there will be no budget for individual dentist for provision of services to patients. The rules has been set clear and are more transparent.

New catalogue of dental services has been finished, which includes a code for the dental performance, its name, description, personal and technical equipment needed for it.

Corporate Dentistry

position of NDA towards dental chains: Slovak Chamber of Dentists sees the dental chains as a growing problem with very few rules.

problems with dental chains: The chamber has no regulatory or controlling power on the dental chain offices. We do not now, who works there as dentist. The owner has not to be a dentist. The healthcare workers have a tendency to change in dental chain offices more frequent as in the classical type of dental office. The question of responsibility towards the patient is not solved satisfactory.

possible solutions: The Slovak dental chamber seeks for cooperation with Higher indemnity office, that is in charge for issuing the document for opening and maintaining dental office, to control regularly the dental chain offices if they act in accordance with claimed conditions.

Changes in fees: none

Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day: The Slovak dental Chamber celebrates each year the WOHD (see attached report)

Further information (activities):



What are your 3 main concerns?

3 points you would like to discuss :

- 1. Corporate dentistry
- 2. Lack of dentists in middle age group, general lack of dental nurses/assistants
- 3. Uneven regional accessibility and distribution of dentists