



Regional European Organisation of the FDI

National Report

Country: CYPRUS

Association: CYPRUS DENTAL ASSOCIATION

Venue: BUCHAREST

Year: 2021

Please classify your national report by following subjects:

Changes

in the association and its organisation

The new members for the council of the CDA were elected in March 2022 for the period of 2022 – 2024 as follow:

1. **President** – Antonios Antoniou
2. **Vice president** – Savvas Christofides
3. **Secretary General** – Eleni Attiki
4. **Treasurer** – Marios Zosimas
5. Member – Nicholas Papadopoulos
6. Member – Kyriakos Kyriakides
7. Member – Charalambos Sakkas
8. Member – Nicholas Kalamaras
9. Member – Thomas Koutras
10. Member – George Themistokleous
11. Member – Eleftheria Syzinou
12. Member – Froso Georgiou
13. Member – Stavri Stavroula
14. Member – Nearchos Panayi
15. Member – Vrasidas Philippides
16. Member – Theodoulitsa Drousiotou
17. Member – George Avraam
18. Member – Costas Gkanaiem
19. Member – Miltos Lagoudis
20. Member – Dimitris Portidis
21. Member – Lambros Socratous
22. Member – Elina Ioannou
23. Member – Ioanna Orphanou

Trends and developments:

In professional politics

Since 2012, the CDA has implemented a program of continuing professional development CPD. With this program dentists must accumulate a minimum of 45 credits through continuing education within a period of 3 years, and with a minimum requirement 15 credits per year.

In health and social politics

During the year of 2021 the need for vaccination in Cyprus for the virus covid-19 had increased, and volunteer dentists in all the cities in Cyprus helped for the vaccination of the population.

In educational politics

The European University in the capital city of Nicosia is the first university that has a dental school which started in 2017.

The majority of the register dentists practising in Cyprus, have graduated from Greece, other European countries, the United States of America, Canada and Russia.

In the insurance system (incl. the public health insurance and private insurance schemes)

The original GeSY legislation was passed in 2001, but the three government bills and regulations introducing the system were only agreed by parliament on 16 June 2017 after prolonged negotiations led by the Minister of Health. It is fully operational since the mid-2020.

Starting on the 1st of December of 2020, 660 dentists have joined the Health System with preventive dental care, that covers a free scaling and polishing of the teeth once a year for the adults and scaling, polishing and fluoride treatment for kids from the age of 6 to 12 and a free check-up for kids from 4 to 6 years of age.

Corporate Dentistry

position of NDA towards dental chains

problems with dental chains

possible solutions

Changes in fees:

No changes in fees

Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day:

The local dental associations in cooperation with the CDA, have prepared posters and send them to all of their members, to promote Oral Health in their private dental offices. The CDA have urged the dentists to offer free check up from the 18/3/2022 until the end of next week. On Sunday the 20th of March 2022 members of the local dental associations will meet at the big shopping malls of their city and give out free samples of oral hygiene products and instructions for a good oral hygiene. Articles about the WOHD were printed and send

out. Dentists of the public sector will also offer free check-ups and oral examinations in the public hospitals.

Further information (activities):

What are your 3 main concerns?

1. Illegal practice of dentistry in Cyprus from people outside the EU.
2. Laboratory dental technicians, illegally doing dental work in the mouth
3. Dental hygienists are not recognised in Cyprus but they are working in some dental practices and the general population of the dentists are unhappy.
4. The growing obligations and expenses for the dentists every year [x-ray unit check control, lobbying of medical waste companies that increase the price every year, amalgam separators getting very expensive, data protection expenses] is of great concern.

3 points you would like to discuss

1. Illegal practicing of dentistry in Cyprus from people outside the EU and dentists without diploma
2. Laboratory technicians doing work in the mouth
3. x-ray check control every year