



Regional European Organisation of the FDI

National Report

Country: Netherlands

Association: KNMT

Venue: Orteliuslaan 750 Utrecht

Year: 2018

Please classify your national report by following subjects:

Changes in the association:

KNMT changed its legal structure. The members voted in favour of the new structure in March 2018. The General Meeting which consisted of delegates of the 14 departments (200 persons appointed each time there is a General Meeting) is converted in a much smaller (24 members) Council of members. The composition of the Council of Members reflects the several special Interest Groups existing within the association KNMT.

Trends and developments:

Starting May 2018 there is new legislation (EU regulation) on data protection;

The Dutch parliament decided in favour of a change in role of dental hygienists in December 2018. Registered dental hygienists with a four year training at a school of higher vocational Education will be allowed to use anaesthesia, make x-rays and make small fillings, independent from a dentist. In the form of an experiment that will last for five years starting January 2020;

For large practices with over 25 professionals a patients representative advisory board will be compulsory.

Corporate Dentistry

Like in other European countries corporate dentistry is a new phenomenon in the Netherlands. We cannot identify huge problems with or within corporate entities at the moment, but we are aware of potential risks. KNMT is of the opinion that at all times return of investments must be subordinate to good dental care for patients. KNMT fully supports the CED resolution on Corporate Dentistry which was adopted by the General Meeting of the CED in November 2018.

Changes in fees: *regular indexation*

Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day:

Widespread distribution of an article on the relation between Oral Health and General Health, written for the general public, in the week before World Oral Health Day. On World Oral Health Day it self we expect to have media attention and prepare/facilitate (online)discussions based on the mentioned topic.

What are your 3 main concerns?

To shoulder the burden of our members in the challenges of their daily practice; the reallocation of task and coming into force of the (experimental) new regulation for dental hygienists; the substantial growth and development of corporate dentistry
