



## **Regional European Organisation of the FDI**

### **National Report**

**Country: Slovenia**

**Association: Slovenian Dental Association (SDA)**

**Venue: Frankfurt**

**Year: 2019**

Please classify your national report by following subjects:

#### **Changes**

*in the association and its organisation*

#### **Trends and developments:**

*in professional politics*

*in health and social politics*

*The Law on Changes and Amendments to the Health Services Act (ZZDej-K) was adopted by the National Assembly of the Republic of Slovenia at the session on 19 September 2017.*

*The Act brought a few appropriate novelties in relation to the healthcare services, among them the definition of healthcare as a non-profit public service. Nevertheless, some problem-posing issues have remained in the Act, which enable privatisation and thereby disintegration of the Slovenian healthcare system.*

*The objectives of the proposed amendment (ZZDej-L, Jan 19, 2019) are as follows:*

- Restriction of the outsourcing of healthcare services;*
- Preventing the unnecessary flow of public funds to private operators;*
- Strengthening the integrity and transparency, preventing corruption and eliminating conflicts of interest;*
- Preventing the implementation of public health service without concession;*
- Maintaining and strengthening the healthcare system that is based on public healthcare services;*
- Ensuring the right to healthcare from public funds in accordance with the second paragraph of Article 51 of the Constitution.*

*The amendment to the Health Services Act is based on the fundamental principles of healthcare, such as ensuring quality health treatment, universal coverage and solidarity of health insurance, humanity and fair and equal accessibility, depending on the needs of individual users. The basic principle of the amendment is that healthcare services of importance to human health should not be marketable goods and should be publicly available. With the right to health services, the human constitutional right to social security is put into practice. This right should be ensured indiscriminately to everyone, irrespective of their personal situation, such as e.g. financial circumstances.*

*The amendment prevents outsourcing of healthcare services to external operators and privatisation thereof. The main solution of this amendment is that public funds will not unnecessarily end up in private pockets, but will remain in a public institution or at least in the public healthcare network.*

*in educational politics*

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

*in dental care for persons applying for asylum or refugees*

*Healthcare for refugees and migrants is provided both in the reception & registration centres as well as in the asylum centre and the centre for foreigners.*

*In accordance with international guidelines and legislation, the residents in the above centres have the right to:*

- *emergency medical assistance and emergency transport by ambulance;*
- *emergency treatment upon a decision of the physician, in life-threatening medical conditions;*
- *treatment of febrile conditions and the prevention of the spread of an infection that might lead to epidemics and sepsis;*
- *treatment or prevention of poisoning;*
- *medicines for the treatment of these conditions;*
- *healthcare for women, i.e. healthcare during pregnancy and childbirth;*
- *vulnerable persons with special needs, and in exceptional cases other applicants, are also entitled to additional health-care services;*
- *juvenile protection seekers and applicants who are unaccompanied minors are entitled to healthcare under the same conditions as other residents of the Republic of Slovenia.*

## **Corporate Dentistry**

*In our country, we also started to recognise the problem of corporate dentistry.*

*position of NDA towards dental chains*

*problems with dental chains*

*possible solutions*

*Changes in fees:*

*Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day:*

*The World Oral Health Day is publicly celebrated each year. The translated posters in our language for this year can be already find on the WOHD website:*

<http://worldoralhealthday.org/resources/2019/act-mouth-health-advertisement-oral-health-professionals>.

*Further information (activities):*

**What are your 3 main concerns?**

**3 points you would like to discuss**