

European Regional Organisation of the FDI

National Report

Country: Azerbaijan

Association: Azerbaijan Stomatological Association

Venue: Azerbaijan

Year: 2022

Changes

No changes were made in the NDA

Trends and developments:

The main development touched our compulsory insurance system and services of paediatric dentistry are now covered by insurance in the public clinics.

Corporate Dentistry

Corporate dentistry is not practiced in public healthcare centres in Azerbaijan, it's available only in few private clinics. NDA considers it expedient to further develop corporate dentistry in the country.

Changes in fees: No changes

Information regarding promotion of the World Oral Health Day:

Our NDA hosted a conference at the Azerbaijan Medical University dedicated to the celebration of the World Oral Health Day 2022. Various professionals shared their experience on preventive

dentistry, by raising awareness among the professionals and future doctors on the importance of oral health in the entire body care. The rules and guides of the usage of means and methods of personal oral hygiene were covered at the conference program. Additionally, the 25-year report of the Azerbaijan Stomatological Association regarding the oral health program in schools was discussed. The conference was attended by the governance of the university, teachers and students of the dental faculty. The event was covered in news blocks on TV, medical programs, on the official page of the university and newspapers.

Promotion of the event was also done among students of dental faculties during the classes and seminars, dental clinic staffs, among doctors of non-dental profiles, via distribution of the posters, toolkits, chairside guides provided by FDI.

Further information (activities): In May 2022, our NDA in cooperation with the Department of Paediatric Dentistry of the Azerbaijan Medical University organized a conference for the residences of the department, where they could share their scientific achievements and practical knowledge.

In December, 2022 Azerbaijan Stomatological Association hosted the CME accredited XXII International Dental Conference "Burning Issues of Dentistry" dedicated to the 25th anniversary of the Azerbaijan Stomatological Association, where professionals from different countries shared their experience regarding preventive measures against dental diseases, dental decay in particular. The key speaker of the conference Prof. Dr. Betul Kargul shared valuable information on the topic "Clinical management of molar incisor hypomineralisation (MIH)". Celebration of the 25th Anniversary of the Association is going to continue in 2023 as well by organization of the international scientific conferences.

What are your 3 main concerns?

Our main concerns are related to the organization of dental care in the country. There are more than enough private dental clinics, providing dental help for individuals, but in the governmental level there is no national program or oral health plan, which can make dentistry more affordable and accessible for the whole population. And the most concerning part is that no work is being done towards its creation.

There is no national program on prevention of dental diseases in the country, although our NDA has a recommended preventive program.

Only large cities of the country have access to the high-quality dental help, while in rural regions dental help is either Insufficient in quality or sometimes even absent.

3 points you would like to discuss

General anesthesia in pediatric dentistry, the protocol of its use, indications and contraindications;

Rehabilitation centre for children with cleft lip and palate;

Development of better cooperation between NDAs and public health authorities.