

# ERO WG Liberal Dental Practice in Europe



How free ore compulsive are dental fee schedules in the ERO-member states?

# Answers from:

- Austria
- Belgium
- Bulgaria
- Croatia
- Czech Republic
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Israel
- Malta
- Moldova
- Netherlands
- Spain
- Switzerland
- Turkey

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Does in your country exist a fee schedule for dental treatment?

- in eleven countries dental fee schedules do exist
- six countries in this group have two systems:
  1. statutory fee schedule
  2. private fee schedule or contracts with private insurances
- **in four countries dental fee schedules don't exist**

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Who is the author of the fee schedule?

- in two countries the dental profession is the author of the fee schedule
- in Greece and in Germany (private fee schedule) the state is the author
- in nine countries state/private insurance and the dental profession involved are the author of the fee schedule

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Is a fee schedule negotiated with the dental profession?

- In the countries where a fee schedule exists, the schedule is negotiated with the dental profession

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Does the dental profession enjoy equal rights in negotiations or is it just recipient of regulations?

- five countries are recipients of regulations
- four countries only for contract dentists
- in seven countries are partly equal rights in the negotiations

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Does the fee schedule cover the total volume of the dental therapy spectrum?

- in three countries the fee schedule covers nearly the total volume of dental therapy

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Are treatments which are not covered by the medical fee schedule subjected to a free fee schedule?

- in two countries no possibility exists to charge treatments on a free fee schedule



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Will the dental fee be charged to the patient directly or will it be charged to the private insurance or an Association of Statutory Health Insurance Physicians?

- in twelve countries dental fee will be charged only directly with the patient
- in other two countries with the insurance company too
- in Bulgaria only with the National Health Insurance Fund and insurance companies

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Is the professional fee calculated by the sum of partial performances (e. g. anaesthesia, functional filling, impression, temporary crown, definitive crown) or by a lump sum fee including all steps of treatment (crowns including all accompanying services)?

- Fifty / fifty

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**Thank you very much!**