

Neighbouring Countries Dental Associations Collaboration Platform

Member Country National Report

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1. What is the term of office for Board of Directors (Council)? Please notify the up-to-date list of your Council.

- The term of president of the Chamber, Executive Board, Parliament of the Chamber and the commissions is 4 year with possibility for one more mandate. The elections have been finalized on 23.03.2014 within the constitutional parliament assembly.

2. Is the membership in your dental association/chamber mandatory or voluntary? And what is the total number of dentists in your dental association/chamber?

- The Dental Chamber of Macedonia is institution with public authorities. At this moment, the Chamber has 3500 members-doctors of dental medicine, and they have law obligations to be the members of the Chamber.
- The Macedonian Dental Chamber exist from 1997 and from 2004 has public authorities transferred by Ministry of Health on the part of issuing, renewing, suspending and revoking licenses for work and passing an exam and confession of exams for students who have completed studies abroad and public authorities for accreditation of continuous dental education.

3. What is the number of dental faculties in your country and how many of these faculties do provide dental education at the moment?

- In Macedonia there are four faculties for dental medicine in four different Universities, approved by the Government, and all of them provide dental education according to accreditation.

4. How many years does the undergraduate education last in your country? What are the specialties?

- The dental studies are five years (300 ECTS-program) and one year additional practice on dental health services, and after this process the young colleagues must pass the last expert exam at the Dental Chamber, after which they gains with working license which is issued by the Dental Chamber.

- Specialists fields are: orthodontic, preventive dentistry, oral surgery, periodontology, endodontic, fixed and mobile prosthetics and maxillofacial surgery.

5. Is the postgraduate education (such as (Continuing dental education) mandatory or voluntary in your country? How does the system operate?

- The doctors on dental medicine are participating for postgraduate education (per person), and some of them are paid from the public health clinics of the country which are usually approved by Macedonian Ministry of Health.

6. Do you have “dental assistant” or “dental hygienist” as a field of profession in your country? If the answer is “Yes”, could you please define the field of their assignments?

- Dental assistant or hygienist do not exist in Macedonia.