## **Neighboring 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.** Dental Chamber of Macedonia have Executive Board, Parliament of the Chamber and the commissions which have 4 year with possibility for one more mandate. The Dental Chamber of Macedonia is institution with public authorities 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. At this moment, the Chamber has 3600 members-doctors of dental medicine, and they have law obligations to be the members of the Chamber.

2. What is the number of dental faculties in your country and how many of these faculties are state universities and how many of them are foundation university?

In Macedonia there are four faculties and all of them are foundation universities.

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

Undergraduate dental studies are five years (300 EKTS-program) and one year additional practice.

The specialties are: orthodontics, preventive dentistry, oral surgery, periodontology, endodontics, fixed and mobile prosthetics and maxillofacial

4. What are the recent trends and the developments in the educational politics in your

country? 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. The dental studies are five years (300 EKTS-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. 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.

5. What are the trends and the developments in the insurance system (the coverage of the

dental treatments) adopted in your country? The health care system in the Republic of Macedonia is organized on three levels: primary, secondary and tertiary level. The health care is delivered at: health stations, health centers, general and specialized hospitals, clinical hospitals, university clinics and institutes, University Dental Clinical Centre, Maxillofacial Surgery Clinic, Institute of Transfusion Medicine, Institute of Public Health, and 10 centers for public health. The health care is practiced by public and private healthcare providers. All parts of the country are covered by a network of health facilities, thereby creating the conditions for affordable health care and meeting the population health needs. The number of private providers, especially in primary health care and dental practice, has been steadily growing over the last ten years. The pharmacies and dental services have been privatized at the primary health care level. Health Insurance Fund (HIF) is an independent institution and it provides most of the financial resources required for the health system functioning. The health care insurance system is managed by HIF, and the health care insurance is determined by the Law on Health Care Insurance. The Law on Health Care Insurance The Law on Health Care Insurance. The Law on Health Care Insurance model.

6. Please specify the dates of the upcoming National/International Congress of your Association.

Dental Chamber of Macedonia organized International Dental Congress which will be on 2018. Dental Chamber of Macedonia is the part of Regional Chambers Association K4 (which participants are the chambers from the Region- from Macedonia, Bosna and Hercegovina, Croatia and Slovenia) and this Association every year organized the International Congress in every country member of the Association.