
CONFERENCE ABSTRACT

INTEGRATED HEALTHCARE PROGRAMS IN COMMUNITY HEALTH CENTRE OF PRIMORJE-GORSKI KOTAR COUNTY – PATIENT IN THE FOCUS

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The Community Health Center of the Primorsko-goranska County is a health institution founded by the Primorje-Gorski Kotar County and provides health services throughout the county (a total of 3,582 km², 14 cities and 22 municipalities and 536 settlements within cities and municipalities). The Health Center of Primorje-Gorski Kotar County today employs more than 820 people.

The main activity of the Health Center is the provision of health services at the level of primary health care, which is carried out through general / family medicine, pediatrics, gynecology, dental medicine, patronage, occupational health, home health care, medical transport and laboratory diagnostics. In addition to these activities, the Health Center provides certain services within the framework of secondary health care - RTG diagnostics, internal medicine, ophthalmology, pulmonology, urology, psychiatry, physical medicine and rehabilitation, general surgery, oral surgery, dental prosthetics and orthodontics.

In addition to these, the Health Center has hemodialysis in Rab and Mali Lošinj, a hospital with 14 beds in Mali Lošinj, and 5 mobile palliative care teams.

In center of Rijeka, The Community Health Center of the Primorsko-goranska County has established the Center for the Prevention of Chronic Noncommunicable Diseases, the place where the needs of target groups and end users will be met for diagnostic tests and appropriate health care and to improve health at the optimum time.

The Community Health Center of the Primorsko-goranska County also provides additional programs to the patients of Primorsko-goranska County:

- The Center for psychosocial Assistance to the victims of Homeland War
- Breastfeeding support groups
- Breastfeeding school
- Counseling an individual about healthy eating habits
- Infant Nutrition Counseling
- Preparation for parenting course
- Preventive medical exams
- Preventive program for athletes and recreational athletes

The Community Health Center of the Primorsko-goranska County is included in different projects improving availability and quality of patient care, funded by the EU.

The synergy of health services both on primary and secondary level in coordination with variety of additional programs conducted by healthcare professionals in Community Health Centre of Primorje-Gorski Kotar County with the aim to be patient focused and available, definitely improves the level of healthcare for about 300.000 citizens across the County but also for large number of tourist that visit the County.