

UEMS 2018/50

**MEETINGS OF
THE UEMS COUNCIL**

Reports of UEMS NMAs

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Saturday 20th October 2018
Brussels

UNION EUROPÉENNE DES MÉDECINS SPÉCIALISTES
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A. National Medical Associations

1) Croatia – Croatian Medical Association (CMA)

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018	
Name of the National Medical Association	CROATIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION (CMA)
Legal Status	NGO
Website	www.hlz.hr
Head of delegation	Name: PROF. ŽELJKO KRZNARIĆ, MD.PhD, FEBGH Email: zeljko.krznaric1@zg.t-com.hr Phone : +38514693358
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CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Yes /No YES/mandatory
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	Your licence will not be relicensing (in a period of six years)
CME accreditation body	CROATIAN MEDICAL CHAMBER (CMC)
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	NO
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	CROATIAN MEDICAL ASSOCIATION HAS AT LEAST ONE DELEGATE FOR EACH UEMS SECTION
National Registry of Specialists and website	YES / Croatian Medical Chamber / National Registry
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	NO
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	Beause of the lack of mentors in specialty training programmes all 4 medical schools in Croatia are working on the project <i>Education of Mentors in Specialty Training of Medical Doctors in Croatia</i> . In 4 years duration, project will will be organised in courses and e-learning, supported by European Social Funds. Expected is more than 400 educated mentors, development of competency based medical education and advancement of health care.
Comments	CMA has recently established the Committee for International Cooperation with UEMS consisting of the delegates of Croatian professional societies in the UEMS Sections and Boards. At the first constitutive meeting the work programme of the Committee has been defined. The next session will be held before the UEMS Council meeting in October in Brussels.

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2) Cyprus – Cyprus Medical Association

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018		
Name of the National Medical Association	CYPRUS MEDICAL ASSOCIATION	
Legal Status	LEGITIMATE BODY AS ASSOCIATION	
Website	cyma@pis.cyma.org.cy	
Head of delegation	Name: Prof. Dr. Nicolas Christodoulou Email: chrisfam@logosnet.cy.net Phone : 00357 99551819	
Other Members of the Delegation	Name: Christos Georgiades Email: cyma@pis.cyma.org.cy Phone : 00357 97875161	Name: Email: Phone :
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CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Yes, voluntary.	
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	Yes.	
CME accreditation body	CME Committee of Cyma	
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	No, the CME committee of Cyma, is responsible for this as well.	
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	2 delegates for the UEMS Council and Board and 2 delegates to each Section.	
National Registry of Specialists and website	<i>Cyprus Medical Council</i> www.moh.gov.cy/moh/cmc/cmc.nsf/cmc01_gr/cmc01_gr?OpenDocument	
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	Yes. Forty seven (47).	
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Negotiations for the introduction of a new General Health System. 2. CME/CPD program with accreditation every 3 years. 3. Annual congresses of the Regional Medical Associations. 4. Biannual congresses of the several medical specialties. 	
Comments		

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3) Czech Medical Association J.E. Purkyne (CZECH REPUBLIC)- Česká lékařská společnost J. E. Purkyně

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018		
Name of the National Medical Association	Czech Medical Association	
Legal Status	Official organization approved by the Czech Law	
Website	www.cls.cz	
Head of delegation	Name: Prof. Jan Škrha Email: jan.skrha@lf1.cuni.cz Phone : +420 603252129	
Other Members of the Delegation	Name: Prof. Petr Arenberger Email: pa@avemedica.cz Phone : +420602214443	Name: Email: Phone :
CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Yes , mandatory	
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	Usually specific sanctions have not been realized	
CME accreditation body	Czech Medical Chamber	
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	No, but Czech Medical Association has agreement with Czech Medical Chamber to recognize the number of credits suggested for its activities	
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	Two delegates for every UEMS Section in which the respective Czech Medical Society is involved	
National Registry of Specialists and website	The global and new National Registry is in preparation at Ministry of Health	
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	Some members are engaged but there is no formal evidence and collected data are therefore not available Data are available at Czech Medical Chamber, not by CZMA	
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	There is a huge number of specific postgraduate seminars/symposia organized by National Medical Societies or Czech Medical Chamber in different fields of specialties	
Comments	No specific comments	

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4) Finland - Finnish Medical Association - Suomen Laakariliitto

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018	
Name of the National Medical Association	Finnish Medical Association
Legal Status	Professional association & Trade Union, Voluntary membership (92 % of Finnish doctors are members)
Website	www.laakariliitto.fi
Head of delegation	Name: Dr. Mikko Pietilä Email: mikko.pietila@fimnet.fi Phone : +358 40 5067046
Other Members of the Delegation	Name: Dr. Hannu Halila Email: hannu.halila@fimnet.fi Phone : +358 500 459955
	Name: Email: Phone :
CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Voluntary The FMA recommends minimum of 10 days CME yearly paid by the employer. Finnish legislation requires that all health care professionals maintain and update their knowledge and skills, and that employers enable their participation in CME
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	
CME accreditation body	Pro Medico www.promedico.fi
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	No
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	94
National Registry of Specialists and website	National Supervisory Authority for Welfare and Health www.valvira.fi
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	Yes. Six.
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	Finland is planning a major reform for social and health care. It is currently being discussed in the Finnish Parliament. Major features of the reform are integration of primary care and hospital care as well as health and social sectors. Responsibility for health care will be moved from over 300 municipalities to 18 regions. There will be more freedom

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	<p>of choice for patients between health care providers (public, private, third sector). The FMA has for long time suggested more freedom of choice for patients as well as smaller number of regions.</p> <p>According to recent prognoses regarding specialist doctors workforce indicate that for many specialties there is a need to increase specialist training, whereas for some others training should be decreased. In the future, there will be at the same time surplus of young doctors and deficit in many specialties. The FMA has demanded that basic medical training should be diminished and resources shifted to specialist training.</p> <p>Finnish government has started revision of the law regarding health care professionals. There will probably be more demanding rules for CME/CPD for doctors and other health care professionals but also for employers. However, it is unlikely that recertification will be introduced at this stage.</p>
Comments	<p>Dr. Marjo Parkkila-Harju continues as the President of the Finnish Medical Association.</p> <p>Dr. Kati Myllymäki started as the CEO of the Finnish Medical Association in October 2017 after the former CEO Heikki Pälve retired.</p>

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5) Italian Medical Association – FNOMCeO

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018		
Name of the National Medical Association	FNOMCeO (Federazione Nazionale Ordine dei Medici Chirurghi e degli Odontoiatri)	
Legal Status	Public Body	
Website	www.fnomceo.it	
Head of delegation	Name: Salvatore Ramuscello Email: ramusalva@libero.it Phone : 0039 3480011067	
Other Members of the Delegation	Name: Piero Attilio Bergamo Email: bergamo@sumaiweb.it Phone :0039 3356576820	Name: Enrico Reginato Email: enrico.reginato@me.com Phone : 0039 337838619
	Name: Luigi Sodano Email: sodano.luigi@libero.it Phone : 0039 3387121583	Name: Giorgio Berchicci Email: giorgio.berchicci@gmail.com Phone :0039 335372558
CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Yes Mandatory	
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	Disciplinary, contractual and financial sanctions	
CME accreditation body	<i>Commissione Nazionale ECM</i>	
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	No	
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	5 delegates to UEMS General Council	
National Registry of Specialists and website	<i>There is not a separate Registry for Specialists</i>	
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2016?	We are not member of EACCME	
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country		
Comments		

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6) The Netherlands - Federatie Medisch Specialisten

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018	
Name of the National Medical Association	Dutch Association of Medical Specialists (Federatie Medisch Specialisten)
Legal Status	Association with full jurisdiction
Website	www.demedischspecialist.nl
Head of delegation	Name: Dr. H.A. (Huib) Cense Email: europa@demedischspecialist.nl Phone : +31 6 50276751
Other Members of the Delegation	Name: Email: Phone :
	Name: Email: Phone :
CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Yes, mandatory
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	Unsubscription of the Dutch Registry of Specialists
CME accreditation body	Registratiecommissie Geneeskundig Specialisten (RGS), and Beroepen in de Individuele Gezondheidszorg (BIG)
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	GAIA
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	Approximately 80 (known to our organisation)
National Registry of Specialists and website	Registratiecommissie Geneeskundig Specialisten (RGS)
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	No, the Netherlands is not a member of EACCME
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	Vision document Medical Specialist 2025 Individualisation of training duration of residents (Link) Estimation of future needed capacity of specialists Shared decision making between patient and specialist Expensive medicines Fiscal and legal position of specialists Effective and efficient use of means Registration burdens Electronic Health Record: linking different systems

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7) Norway - Norwegian Medical Association - Den Norske Legeforening

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Name of the National Medical Association	Norwegian Medical Association	
Legal Status	Full Member State	
Website	www.legeforeningen.no	
Head of delegation	Name: Einar K. Kristoffersen Email: Einar.kristoffersen@helse-bergen.no Phone : +47 48171272	
Other Members of the Delegation	Name: Nina Evjen Email: nina.evjen@legeforeningen.no Phone : +47 23 10 90 00	Name: Bjarne Riis Strøm Email: bjarne.riis.strom@legeforeningen.no Phone : +47 91 16 66 15
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CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Mandatory for family medicine, voluntary for all other specialities	
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	Economic consequences for the speciality of family medicine.	
CME accreditation body	The National Health Authorities for re-certification in family medicine and the National Medical Association for learning activities.	
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	No	
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	67 in sections, 4 in divisions and 3 in MJC	
National Registry of Specialists and website	The National Health Authorities: https://register.helsedirektoratet.no/Hpr The Norwegian Medical Association: https://beta.legeforeningen.no/utdanning/spesialistutdanning/godkjente-spesialister/	
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	4 in 2018	
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	New training requirements in each of the medical specialties have been developed by the speciality committees. These are approved by the Health Authorities. The new speciality education will be implemented from 1 st March 2019 and preparations have started.	

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8) Slovakia – Slovak Medical Association - Slovenská lekárska spoločnosť

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018	
Name of the National Medical Association	Slovak Medical Association (in Slovak: Slovenská lekárska spoločnosť)
Legal Status	civil association
Website	www.sls.sk
Head of delegation	Name: prof. Jozef Glasa, MD, PhD, PhD. Vice-President, SMA; Chairman SACCME (ARS CME) Email: jozef.glasa@szu.sk , jozef_glasa@yahoo.com Phone : +421-905-208.146 (mobile)
Other Members of the Delegation	Name: prof. Norbert Lukán, MD, PhD. Member, Presidium SMC; Vice-Chairman SACCME (ARS CME) Email: norbertlukan@gmail.com Phone : +421-904-168.028
CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	<u>Yes</u> / No
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	Potential loosing of the licence to practice a medical specialty.
CME accreditation body	SACCME – Slovak Accreditation Council for CME (in Slovak: ARS CME – Akreditačná rada Slovenska pre CME)
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	Yes, Slovak Medical Chamber (in Slovak: Slovenská lekárska komora)
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	UEMS Council: 1 (prof. Glasa), EACCME: 2 (prof. Glasa, prof. Lukán), May be some others that we may not know exactly about (some member associations of SMA may have previously nominated delegates to Sections – nowadays all new nominations are to have approval of the SMA before submission to UEMS).
National Registry of Specialists and website	It is managed, according to the law, by the Slovak Medical Chamber (in Slovak: Slovenská lekárska komora), web: www.lekom.sk
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2016?	Yes, started in 2017 (prof. Glasa). Please, kindly consult EACCME Secretariat for numbers. SMA has not been yet reimbursed for the reviews. (Note: more reviewers potentially available: prof. Norbert Lukán MD, PhD. proposed.)
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	The same as in April 2018 report: Several novel legal developments (health legislation + ministerial orders + Dgn and Th Guidelines development and publishing by the Ministry of Health, together with many stakeholders). Worsening shortage of physicians in almost all specialties (“greying” workforce + brain drain), serious shortage of nurses. Funding deficits from previous decades (infrastructure – especially within the state health care sector).
Comments	More information: prof. Glasa (see above!)

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9) Slovenia – Medical Chamber of Slovenia

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018	
Name of the National Medical Association	Medical Chamber of Slovenia
Legal Status	Legal person governed by private law
Website	https://www.zdravniskazbornica.si/en/medical-chamber-of-slovenia
Head of delegation	Name: Gregor Prosen Email: gregor.prosen@zsz-mcs.si Phone: +386 41 311 695
Other Members of the Delegation	Name: Email: Phone :
	Name: Email: Phone :
CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Yes; mandatory; 75 CP/7yrs
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	No possibility of prolongation of licence
CME accreditation body	As part of Medical Chamber
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	As part of Medical Chamber
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	Cca. 90 Due to the agreement between both prime organizations in Slovenia – Medical Chamber of Slovenia and Slovenian Medical Association - we have two delegates for each section (but only one of them can attend the meeting of the UEMS section), one is nominated by MCS and the second one by SMA.
National Registry of Specialists and website	Yes, but only for doctors with licence. https://www.zdravniskazbornica.si/
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	NO
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	Reform of Internship and their exam (ongoing) Reform of residency selection process (ongoing) Reform of residency curricula (pending) Reform of CME legislation (ongoing)

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10) Sweden – Sveriges Läkareförbund

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018

Name of the National Medical Association	Swedish Medical Association, Sveriges Läkareförbund	
Legal Status	Union / NGO	
Website	https://slf.se/in-english/	
Head of delegation	Name: Dr Sofia Rydgren Stale Email: sofia.rydgren.stale@slf.se Phone :+46-8-790 33 00	
Other Members of the Delegation	Name: Dr Ragnar Westerling Email: ragnar.westerling@pubcare.uu.se Phone : -	Name: Email: Phone :
CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Yes / No (Voluntary)	
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	-	
CME accreditation body	Lipus, http://www.lipus.se/	
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	No	
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	57	
National Registry of Specialists and website	Yes. http://www.socialstyrelsen.se/statistik/statistikefteramne/halso-ochsjukvardspersonal	
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	Lipus, a subsidiary company owned by the SMA, is the national accrediting authority in Sweden. National review is carried out by staff (medical doctors) at Lipus assisted by external reviewers many of whom have been recommended by the SMA’s specialty associations. A total of 95 national reviews and 81 events including live educational events have been reviewed in 2018.	
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	<p>The most current topic for us is a proposal for a major change in physician’s specialization in Sweden.</p> <p>Today the Swedish medical education program is five and a half years long and leads to the University medical degree, but you do not obtain a doctor’s license. The license requires a clinical post-graduate internship of approximately one and a half years.</p> <p>The Swedish government proposes now a removal of the requirement of post-graduate internship and proposes a six-year education program for medical students that will lead directly to doctor’s license.</p> <p>The government suggests also that the physician’s specialization should be initiated with an independent introductory residency (6 months to one year). This kind of mandatory residency will give everyone the same introduction to Swedish healthcare and medical care. It will also be mandatory for those who have completed their medical education in other countries.</p> <p>The legislative amendments are proposed to enter into force on 1 July 2020.</p>	

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11) United Kingdom - British Medical Association

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018		
Name of the National Medical Association	British Medical Association	
Legal Status	The BMA is a company limited by guarantee, trade union and professional association.	
Website	https://www.bma.org.uk/	
Head of delegation	Name: Professor Andrew Rowland Email: andrewrowland77@gmail.com Phone :+44 7966 866923	
Other Members of the Delegation	Name: Paul Laffin Email: plaffin@bma.org.uk Phone : +32 4973 83679	Name: Dr John Firth Email: johnfirth@nhs.net Phone : +44 7711 937039
	Name: a representative from the AoMRC (Academy of Medical Royal of Colleges) TBC Email: Phone :	Name: Email: Phone :
CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Mandatory	
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach		
CME accreditation body		
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	Several organisations provide CME/CPD training and guidance is provided by the GMC (General Medical Council) who is the regulator for the profession.	
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	4	
National Registry of Specialists and website	GMC holds this specialty register.	
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	The BMA is not involved.	
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	Local Clinical Excellent Awards – the BMA, the DH (Department of Health & Social Care) and NHS Employers have concluded an agreement over the future of the local Clinical Excellence Award scheme. This agreement follows extensive discussions in parallel to the ongoing consultant contract negotiations. Contract negotiations – The contract negotiations, which focus on pay, out of hours working and a long-term replacement for the CEA scheme, continue and the parties hope that they will conclude by April 2019. The BMA’s intention is that when a final contract offer is received from DH this will be discussed by the consultants committee, and if they choose to proceed it would be followed by a series of member engagement events and a ballot of members, including trainees at ST3+ and speciality	

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	<p>doctors on the specialist register, as recommended at the BMA's ARM (Annual Representative Meeting).</p> <p>Other issues which the consultants committee of BMA is focusing on:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Retention of consultants.• Integration of Physician Associates into the workforce.• Electronic job planning.• The impact of appraisal and revalidation.• Improving the efficiency of the interface between secondary and primary care.• A consultant's responsibility within a system under substantial workload pressure (particularly in relation to responsibilities to junior doctors).• Bullying and harassment of consultants during the job planning process.• Assisting consultants to raise concerns relating to patient safety via their employer's whistleblowing processes.• Locum cap rates.
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Antimicrobial resistance

In November 2017, we published some new content on the BMA website, highlighting concerns about antimicrobial resistance and the barriers to reducing inappropriate prescribing. A symposium on this topic was hosted by the BMA's Board of Science in May 2018, and we are continuing to engage with the DHSC (Department of Health and Social Care) and other stakeholders in the development of the next UK five-year strategy on antimicrobial resistance.

Consultant contract negotiations

The BMA, the DHSC and NHS Employers have concluded an agreement over the future of the local CEA (Clinical Excellence Award) scheme. This agreement follows extensive discussions in parallel to the ongoing consultant contract negotiations.

The contract negotiations, which focus on pay, out of hours working and a long-term replacement for the CEA scheme, continue and the parties hope that they will conclude by April 2018. The BMA's intention is that when a final contract offer is received from DH this will be discussed by the consultants committee, and if they choose to proceed it would be followed by a series of member engagement events and a ballot of members, including trainees at ST3+ and speciality doctors on the specialist register, as recommended at the BMA's ARM (Annual Representative Meeting).

The contract negotiations and the subsequent implementation timeline will be informed by the outcome of the DDRB (Review Body on Doctors' and Dentists' Remuneration) for the 2018 to 2019 pay round. Unfortunately, the BMA consultants committee considers the government's pay uplift of 1.5% (against a 2% DDRB recommended increase) for consultants to be derisory, particularly as that pay increase comes into effect in October 2018 and will not be backdated to April 2018, which actually means that it is a 0.75% uplift, which is less than the 1% uplift which we have received in previous years.

In other words, then, our real terms pay cut (a pay cut which comes on the back of a 19% decrease in real term pay over the last 10 years) is actually larger than in previous years.

The consultants committee and the BMA more widely is in the process of considering its approach in respect of ongoing negotiations.

Mental health

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As a part of our ongoing work on mental health, we have been developing a briefing on public mental health in the UK. This supports the BMA's role in lobbying for a greater emphasis on prevention and supporting improvements in public health. The briefing explores the social determinants of mental health and relationship between physical and mental health. It investigates what is being invested in public mental health across the UK and makes recommendations for improving public mental health. The briefing is due to be published in October 2018.

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Health spending – UK comparison

Earlier this year the BMA published a briefing on the new funding settlement for the NHS in the UK. Although an increase in funding for the NHS is welcome, projected spending still remains below what the BMA and many policy experts believe is needed. The briefing exemplifies that in addition to the funding still not being enough to meet patient need, the UK currently spends less on health as a proportion of GDP (Gross Domestic Profit) than many other leading EU (European Union) countries. The latest OECD (Organisation for Economic Cooperation and Development) data shows that in 2017 the UK spent 9.7% GDP on health, whereas the leading EU countries spent an average of 10.1%. Although the new NHS funding will go some way to bridging this gap, the UK will still spend less than these leading EU countries.

Based on the new real terms funding for the NHS (National Health Service) in England and assuming no growth in the rest of the health budget in England, it is predicted that total UK health spending will reach £231.2 billion by 2023/24. This includes government health spending of £186 billion and private health spending of £45.2 billion by 2023/24. However, to bring the UK in line with leading EU economies, the UK governments (Scotland, Northern Ireland, Wales and England) would have to spend an extra £3.1 billion by this time. This would bring total UK health spend to £234.3 billion by 2023/24.

Brexit

With just a few months until the draft withdrawal agreement is due to be concluded, and noting that the UK government's White Paper The Future Relationship between the United Kingdom and the European Union reflects key BMA objectives – i.e. “a system for the mutual recognition of professional qualifications, enabling professionals to provide services across the UK and EU” – we continue to work with the EU institutions to ensure that they are cognisant of the importance of such goals to the future of the European medical profession.

Reflecting ongoing EC (European Commission) planning for all outcomes, and UK government planning for a no deal situation, from the Brexit negotiations, we are continuing to work with our European colleagues to safeguard the future of the medical profession and the patients as we believe that such an outcome could have catastrophic consequences for patients and the NHS.

Indeed, to date the BMA's European Office has met with political representatives from 25/27 EU member states and from all 4 of the EFTA (European Free Trade Area) nations to discuss such matters.

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B. Associate Members

1) Turkish Medical Association

REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018		
Name of the National Medical Association	TURKISH MEDICAL ASSOCIATION Türk Tabipler Birliği	
Legal Status	CONSTITUTIONAL BODY	
Website	www.ttb.org.tr	
Head of delegation	Name: M. Umut Akyol Email: umutakyol@yahoo.com Phone :90 532 598 0461	
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CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Yes /No Yes, organized by TME, mendotary	
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach		
CME accreditation body	TMA, CME/CPD committee	
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	No same for all doctors, same body mentioned above	
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	3	
National Registry of Specialists and website	<i>Ministry of Health</i>	
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	Yes ...	
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	Serious and frequent offences towards doctors and health personnel, including various murderings of doctors during practice. Government’s policies are putting doctors into target of the anger of public that is due to an ill healthcare and economic system. Unconstitutional and unacceptable pressure of government against democratic NGOs including TMA, including cutting the economic resources, taking elected executive committee members into custody without any valid reason ect.	

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	Sharply declining wealth of doctors due to ill economic and health system of the government based policies depending on canalizing the whole economic sources of the country into political advocates including large national/international health care companies. Declining quality of medical education due to ill (and illegally manipulated) education system.
Comments	Being a member of UEMS family is important for us, Thanks!

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C. Observers

1) Georgian Association of Medical Specialities

2) REPORT UEMS NMA – October 2018	
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CME status in your Country (mandatory/voluntary?)	Voluntary
Please specify if sanctions could apply in case of breach	Suspension of License
CME accreditation body	GAMS(for International Events), Postgraduate and Continuous Medical Education Board of Tbilisi State Medical University, Tbilisi State University Faculty of Medicine, Medical Corporation Evex
Is there a separate “CME credits recognition body” for individual doctors?	No
Number of delegates to UEMS Bodies	26
National Registry of Specialists and website	No
Do NMA members participate in EACCME national review? If Yes, how many events have been reviewed in 2018?	Yes 3
Please list events/topics/developments that you consider the most important for medical specialists in your country	Challenges of CME/CPD in Europe
Comments	No comments