Section of Public Health UEMS

The European Commission defines “Public health as the science and art of preventing disease, prolonging life and promoting mental and physical health and efficiency through organized community effort. Public health may be considered as structures and processes by which the Health of the population is understood, safeguarded and promoted through the organized efforts of society.”

Public Health is a medical speciality recognised in all European countries. Public health as a medical speciality focuses on the relationship between societal conditions and the health of the population. In its broadest sense public health includes all measures taken in a society aiming at improving the population’s health. The doctor who has specialised in public health medicine uses his skills and competencies in order to contribute to this.

Activities section Public Health UEMS:

- Training requirements for the specialty of public health
- Accreditation of PH continuing medical education (EACCME)
- Participation in UEMS affairs (related to PH)
- Annual meeting of the section of Public Health (normally at the EUPHA conference)

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