

1st Advanced Course:

"Health on the move"

Migrants' and displaced populations' health care January 14 & 15 2012

Welcome Address

Dear Colleagues,

It gives me great pleasure to invite you to the first advanced course on the health care of migrants and displaced populations "HEALTH ON THE MOVE" organized by the MSc "International Medicine / Health-Crisis Management of the University of Athens, School of Medicine.

Migrants, detainees, and ethnic minorities represent a vulnerable group within societies and a challenge for all health-care systems.

Due to their social and cultural peculiarities, but, above all, due to lack of appropriate legislation and the discriminatory or racist attitude of many health-care personnel, these migrant and displaced populations find themselves constantly denied their right to decent health care.

This advanced course aims to highlight the main health problems encountered within the groups of illegal aliens, refugees and marginalized migrants, displaced ethnic minorities, and detainees in refugee reception camps or in state prisons.

With this seminar we intend to offer more than a simple descriptive approach to the evergrowing health-care crisis within these populations but rather to discuss best practices and up-to-date methods for rapid diagnosis, effective screening and reliable access to stable and safe health care for these groups of people.

This high-level seminar is addressed to health workers dealing with migrants and refugees, with imprisoned or detained aliens and to those involved in street work and outreach programs of both public and non-governmental agencies.

I now welcome you and look forward to a fruitful exchange of ideas.

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PROGRAM

Day one, Saturday 14th January 2012

09.00-09.15	Opening remarks	Ass. Prof. T. Rosenberg, MD. PhD
	Introduction & Methodology	E. Kakalou, MD
09.15-09:45	"Populations on the move: The causes and dynamics behind the phenomenon"	I. Kotsioni, PhD, expert on migration issues
09:45-10:15	The International Protection Legislation	G. Tsarbopoulos Representative of the UN High Commissioner for refugees in Greece
10:15-10:30	Coffee-break	
10:30-11.00	The Global status on migration	Daniel Esdras, International Organization of Migration (IOM)
11.00-11.30	Legal framework in Greece: Legal and human rights of populations on the move	I. Kourtovic, Attorney in Law, Network for Social & Citizenship Rights
11.30-12.00	Access to health care : obstacles & barriers in the EU context	S. Egidi, MD MSF International
12.00-12.30	Coffee-break	
12:30-13.00	Cultural mediation: training the health-care providers	Meliou Maria MD., NGO "PRAKSIS"
13.00-13.30	Epidemiological data	A. Baka, MD., Greek Center for Disease Control (KEELPNO)
13.30-14.00	HIV/AIDS and STDs	E. Kakalou MD , E. Vryonis MD.
14.00-14.30	Lunch-break	
14.30-15.00	TB in Greece: a miss regarded threat	M. Samarkos MD, PhD, Athens University School of Medicine
15.00-15.30	Occult TB among displaced populations. Rapid diagnosis and control	M. Valamoutopoulou MD.
15.00-15.30	Malaria outbreaks in developed countries	K. Danis MD, Center for Disease Control (KEELPNO)

Day two, Sunday 15th January 2012

10:00-10:15	Last day's wrap-up	A. Terzidis, MD
10:15-10:45	Reception Conditions of migrants. The MSF experience from Evros detention centers	I. Pertsinidou MSF
10:45-11.15	Tackling Roma and other ethnic minorities health care issues	A. Terzidis, MD
11:15-11.45	Lunch-break	
11.45-12.15	Mental Health	D. Ploumpidis, MD., PhD, Athens University School of Medicine
12.15-12.45	Street work & harm reduction practices	V. Katsiki, MD., MDM
12.45-13:15	Group-work assignment and evaluation of learning objectives	E. Kakalou MD., I. Pertsinidou
13:15-13:45	Coffee-break	
13.45-14.15	Open Policlinics for outpatient care: best practices	G. Papadakis MD, MDM
14.15-14.30	The point of view of the users of Health Care Services	Yonous Muhammadi, Greek Forum of Refugees
14.15-14.30	Group-work assignment and diploma award	A. Terzidis MD., E. Kakalou MD.

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