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**NATIONAL REPORT**  
**OF THE PANGELENIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION**  
**TO THE A.E.M.H.**

Currently in Greece, an intense effort is being made by the Ministry of Health and the Central Scientific Council of Health (KESY) that together with the Panhellenic Medical Association is the official Adviser of the Greek Ministry of Health. The President of the Panhellenic Medical Association and other Panhellenic Medical Association's delegates from other Greek regions participate in this Council.

The objective of this effort is to increase the vacancies of doctors in training so that a better development is promoted for regional Hospitals and moreover, in order to reduce satisfactorily the great number of junior doctors that wait for a long time, even for years for their turn to begin their training in the selected specialty. This is the case for specialties as e.g. Plastic Surgery, Vascular Surgery, Dermatology and this is due to the fact that there are not developed enough Centres in the Province mainly, that are able to train junior doctors for their specialities.

At this point it has to be underlined that it is very essential to have the consent of the Greek Ministry of Economy via the approval of the relative budget, in order to have these Centres established.

One of the main problems the Central Scientific Council of Health is dealing with and is considered one of the main factors, is the qualitative upgrade of Continuing Medical Education which will certainly offer better health services to the Greek Citizens.



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Besides, this Council has a complete and well-organised programme for the education of doctors for acquisition of specialty with the establishment of an individual logbook of doctor in training and this is already found in the process of legislative regulation.

During the last few years and especially in the regional hospitals, priority has been given to the development of various Clinical Units, i.e. Artificial Kidney Unit and Intensive Care Unit so as to achieve a quite satisfactory decentralisation. In that way, the patient is treated in his/her residence place without being obliged to move to a big city.

In a small town in Peloponnesus, in Molai, an Artificial Kidney Unit has been recently inaugurated and impressive results have been recorded. Although Molai is a very small town near the City of Sparta, this Artificial Kidney Unit offers satisfactorily its services.

This example is mentioned in order to give emphasis to the Health Authorities interest for the best possible management of the emergency cases in every region of country.

During the last few years an effort has been made by the Ministry of Health in order to materialize the programme which is expected to reinforce the Hospitals of the country with the employment of 5.000 doctors and 2.000 nurses and paramedical staff for the improvement of the working conditions of doctors and for the best possible healthcare of Greek citizens.

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