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BULLET POINTS CONCERNING REGULATION OF EDUCATION AND TRAINING IN THE MEDICAL PROFESSION

- AEMH supports the Bologna Process for higher education if adjusted for medical education.
- The bachelor degree should be valid for entrance into the second step in any medical faculty throughout the EU, in order to harmonize medical education within Europe.
- License to practice is a degree issued by national authorities or chambers. According to the AEMH, the task of issuing licenses should be a national responsibility. The EU directive on the recognition of professional qualifications (2005/36/EC) lays down the minimum prerequisites for acquiring a license to practice, and the compliance to these prerequisites can and should only be supervised by those authorities which are closest to the activities in question; namely national ones. Thus, national supervision of medical education and issuing of licenses to practice is a condition for the free movement of doctors within the EU.
- AEMH proposes the establishment of a European advisory committee on medical specialties, in order to facilitate the free movement of health care professionals. This is important also in view of the fact that health care services are not covered by the EU Services directive.
- In the opinion of the AEMH, in countries where recertification or revalidation of specialists exists as a part of the CPD process, this is a solely national responsibility. Every country should specify which organizations or authorities carry this responsibility.

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