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How to prevent illegal issues and corruption in the health system

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Illegality and corruption must be rejected daily with the correct behavior of every person operating in the health system: from politicians to journalists, from researchers to patients.

Words for the health service:

- Health
- Integrity
- Sustainability
- Rights
- Risk



I fear mountains. But when I need to relate deeply to them I look for consciousness.

Reinhold Messner



Corruption

Abuse of entrusted power for private gain

- Not only money
- Any private advantage that does not consider public interest



Corruption:

- Bribery
- Procurement corruption
- Improper marketing relations
- Misuse of (high) level positions
- Nepotism
- Undue reimbursement claims
- Fraud
- Absence from work



Corruption affects:

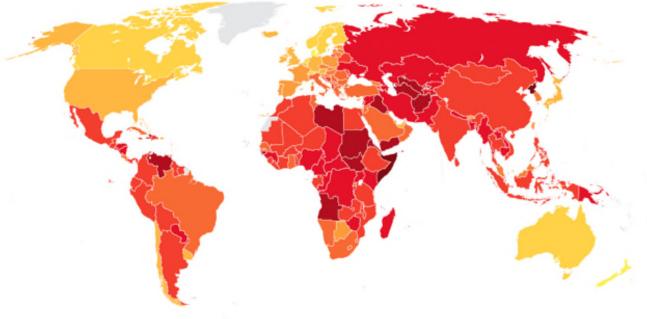
- Economy
- Health and appropriateness
- Patients' safety
- Reputation





CORRUPTION PERCEPTIONS INDEX 2014

The perceived levels of public sector corruption in 175 countries/territories around the world.



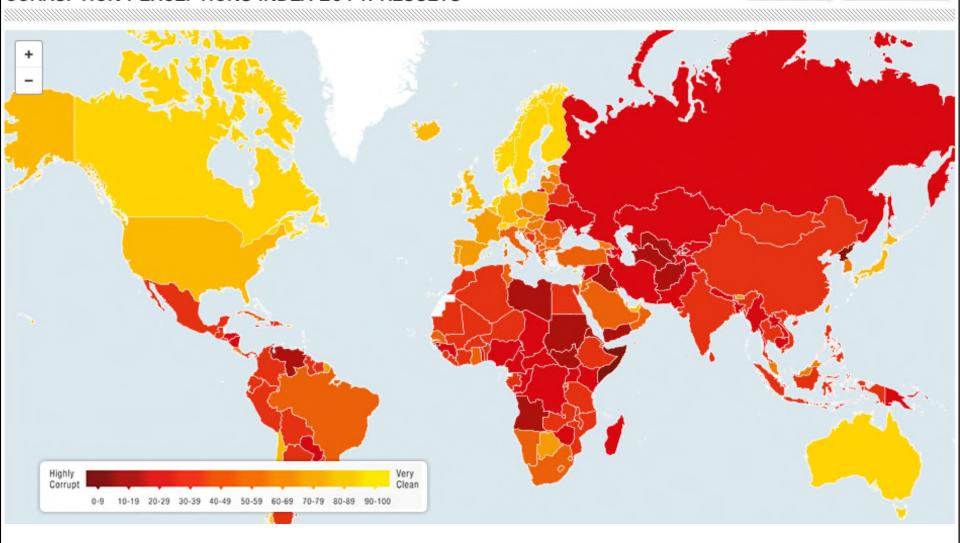


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CORRUPTION PERCEPTIONS INDEX 2014: RESULTS





Italian Health System:

- Universal coverage, fair, global
- Increased survival in good health
- Chronicity
- Less complications
- Reduced hospitalization

- Reduced costs when compared to Europe
- Important economic crisis
- 110 billion Euro



Costs of illegal issues:

 5 – 10% of healthcare spending (www.ehfcn.org)

Indirect costs:

- Loss of trust
- Public image damage
- Stop to innovation
- Burden on vulnerable people



Possible risks in the health system:

Asymmetric information



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Conflict of interest



CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

A situation that has the potential to undermine the impartiality of a person because of the possibility of a clash between the person's selfinterest and professional or public interest



CONFLICT OF INTEREST

A situation in which someone cannot make a fair decision because it will be affected by the result



Understanding Financial Conflicts of Interest

Dennis F. Thompson, Ph.D.

N Engl J Med 1993; 329:573-576 August 19, 1993 DOI: 10.1056/NEJM199308193290812



CONFLICT OF INTEREST:

A condition in which a health worker when making a judgement on a primary interest, such as health or research results, may be influenced by a secondary interest, such as money or personal advantages

A NATURAL CONDITION,
NOT NECESSARILY A BAD BEHAVIOR.



Conflict of interest:

- Real
- Possible
- Apparent

Consequences:

- Direct
- Indirect



- Reduce opportunities for corruption
- Increase capacity to discover corruption
- Create an environment unfavorable to corruption



- Adopt Corruption Prevention Plan
- Transparency
- Codes of conduct
- Personnel rotation (shift)
- No revolving doors (after retirement)
- Whistleblower protection
- Training
- Raise awareness among the people



Corruption risk management:

- Analysis of actions
- Definition of risk and illegality
- Evaluation of precautionary measures
- New precautionary measures
- New measures need to be put in practice





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IN SANITÀ

- Know code of conduct
- Adopt a corruption prevention plan



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- Adopt a corruption prevention plan
- Ethics and value



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Art. 30

Conflitto di interessi

Il medico evita qualsiasi condizione di conflitto di interessi nella quale il comportamento professionale risulti subordinato a indebiti vantaggi economici o di altra natura.

Il medico dichiara le condizioni di conflitto di interessi riguardanti aspetti economici e di altra natura che possono manifestarsi nella ricerca scientifica, nella formazione e nell'aggiornamento professionale, nella prescrizione diagnostico-terapeutica, nella divulgazione scientifica, nei rapporti individuali e di gruppo con industrie, enti, organizzazioni e istituzioni, o con la Pubblica Amministrazione, attenendosi agli indirizzi applicativi allegati.

Art. 31

Accordi illeciti nella prescrizione

Al medico è vietata ogni forma di prescrizione concordata che possa procurare o procuri a se stesso o a terzi un illecito vantaggio economico o altre utilità.



European Charter of Medical Ethics

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Principle 12

The physician acting as a simple practitioner towards a patient, or as an expert or member of an institution, must ensure the greatest transparency in what might appear to be a conflict of interest and act in full moral and technical independence.

- Know code of conduct
- Corruption prevention plan
- Ethics and value
- Apply transparency on incomes



Farmindustria



- Code of Ethics
- EFPIA Code (European Federation of Pharmaceutical Industries)

- Trasparent transfer of values, among pharmaceutical industries, health workers and health organizations
- Disclosure code



- Know code of conduct
- Corruption prevention plan
- Ethics and value
- Apply transparency on incomes
- Condemn illegality, improve organization



Che cos'è la Giornata della legalità

Ventiquattro anni dopo Capaci resta vivo il ricordo ma anche l'urgenza di continuare la lotta



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- Teach integrity to younger members



I ragazzi di Falcone e Borsellino: 50 mila tra Palermo e le "piazze della legalità" per l'anniversario della strage di Capaci





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- Declare possible conflicts of interest
- Consider appropriateness



Sustain independent research



Something is really new when it is better than what we had before.

Ezekiel J. Emanuel



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- Control donations



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- Apply on benessere delle organizzazioni
- Increase control
- Involve professional bodies, professional associations, society
- Vote for good politicians
- Use confiscated property, for good purposes



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- Rewards/punishments to influence doctor's decisions
- "pay for performance"

- Reduce cholesterol levels (statins)
- Reduce blood pressure (falls)



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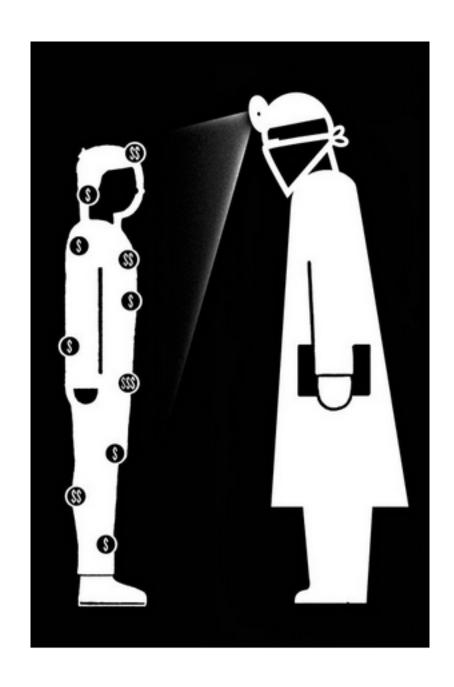
- Personalized medicine?
- Precision medicine?

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- Paternalism

 balance of power
- Power belongs to insurers and regulators, that control payments → less autonomy for patients and doctors





Medical care is not just another marketplace commodity.

The New York Times



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