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1.

Autumn 2017 saw general elections being held in Germany for the 19th legislative period.

Health policy activities were very kept to a minimum in the run-up to these elections so as not to scare voters with legislative “atrocities” shortly before the elections.

After the general elections the formation of a government took – by German standards – an unusually long period of time, namely almost 6 months.

This means that there have been hardly any health legislation activities worth mentioning in Germany since the last AEMH General Assembly until late March 2018.

2.

However, the ruling parties that have forged a “Grand Coalition” (CDU/CSU/SPD) have agreed upon a whole bundle of measures for the area “Health and Care” in their coalition treaty, which are now to be introduced into legislative texts.

The following crucial measures are planned here:

- Creation of 8,000 new skilled jobs in nursing care
- Introduction of minimum staffing levels for all wards with beds in hospitals
- Complete re-financing of collectively agreed pay rises for hospital staff
- Proposals for the further development of cross-sector healthcare in the in and out-patient system
- Change-over of hospital remuneration to a combination of DRGs and reimbursement of nurse staffing costs
- Joint efforts to ensure emergency care undertaken by the Laender hospital associations and the Association of Statutory Health Insurance Physicians
- Creation of more medical school facilities
- Implementation of the masterplan “Medizinstudium 2020” and here especially the re-organisation of access to this curriculum, strengthening general physicians and country doctors
- Elaboration of proposals for reforming the out-patient fee structure in statutory health insurance and the fee structure for private patient treatment

3.

The implementation of this extensive work programme by health politicians in Germany will doubtlessly entail a host of other health policy legislation activities. VLK will accompany these activities critically with a view to also guaranteeing high-quality in-patient care in Germany in future.

Against this backdrop the German delegation will definitely also have to report extensively on further developments in German healthcare over the coming years.