
Detailed description of thematic focus of individual areas and activities

Small Grant Scheme Call

Support of NGOs activities in the field of prevention and early diagnosis of neurodegenerative diseases

Area of support A. Definition of roles and competencies of individual segments of care, creation of interdisciplinary best practices and raising awareness of their existence

Activity a)

Development of recommended procedures and methodologies focused on diagnosis and treatment in the field of dementia based on existing examples from other European countries

- To develop interdisciplinary recommended procedures and methodologies for the diagnosis of dementia syndrome and comprehensive therapy, including guidelines for the treatment of people with cognitive impairment and comorbidities and for comprehensive care for people in advanced stages of dementia syndrome.
 - Users of the recommended procedures will be general practitioners and specialists and other experts dealing with Alzheimer's disease and similar diseases.
 - To create methodologies for screening memory testing in general practitioners' offices, or in specialist offices during long-term dispensarization;
 - To determine the indications for individual types of examinations, including neuropsychological examination, treatment and care.
 - To redefine the rules for restriction or revocation of driving and firearms license.
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Activity b)

Search for existing examples of European best practices.

- To create an overview of European recommended procedures in the field of dementia (WHO, European professional societies, national best practices of European countries), to ensure their harmonization and adaptation to the context of the Czech Republic.
 - Harmonization and adaptation for the Czech Republic: documentation gathered in a search for European best practices will be submitted to the professional societies of Czech Medical Association JEP and other experts to discuss and create a common interdisciplinary consensus on adaptation of the best practices to Czech context. The supported project will define a transparent methodology for creating interdisciplinary consensus.
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Activity c)

Definition of roles and competencies of specialized centres for the diagnosis and treatment of cognitive disorders and other components of the health system dealing with the diagnosis and treatment of people suffering from dementia

- To define the role of the general practitioner in the care of patients with cognitive impairment, including the adjustment of the reimbursement system and the possibility of prescribing anti-amnestics.
- To define the role, competencies and availability of geriatricians, neurologists, psychiatrists, psychologists, neuropsychologists in the care of patients with dementia, including adjustments to the reimbursement system.
- To define the role of multidisciplinary field teams with a focus on people with cognitive impairment.

- To define the role, competencies and availability of individual types of care for patients with cognitive impairment and services for this group.
 - To define the pathway of a positively tested person through the system.
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Activity d)

Training, seminars and educational activities aimed at general practitioners and the medical professionals raising their awareness of the existence of recommended procedures and methodologies in the field of dementia, their implementation and existence of specialized centres described in activity a) and b)

Activity e)

Training, seminars and educational activities aimed at general practitioners in order to spread awareness in the field of early detection of dementia symptoms
