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DEVELOPMENT OF HEALTH PROMOTING ACTIVITIES AND QUALITY OF CARE IN HEALTHCARE FACILITIES IN THE CZECH REPUBLIC

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INTRODUCTION

The Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic (MoH) seeks for extensive and aimed qualified enlightenment. Therefore the MoH in cooperation with WHO Country Office in the Czech Republic and HPH General University Hospital in Prague (GUH) organized the first annual International conference which was held on October 2017 under the auspices of the Minister of Health in the premises of the lecture hall of GUH in Prague. Conference was led by national coordinator of HPH program in the Czech Republic.



METHODS

Aim of the conference was raise awareness of healthcare providers and others professionals about importance and benefits of rightly applied principals of health promotion in hospital's systems of healthcare quality and patient safety management, further especially sharing of experiences and best practices. Program was split in two days – first day included almost 20 presentations of Czech and foreign professionals, second day was stipulated for excursion in Reference Centre for Tobacco Dependents which was led by national coordinator of ENSH program.

RESULTS

In total, over 50 professionals from more than 25 healthcare facilities was participated. During the conference was conducted and shared very important experiences by all hospital's representatives – HPH hospitals even non-HPH. Many new contacts have been created and existing contacts have been deepened. The MoH consider this move forward to professional like a huge step for future development of Health Promoting principals in Czech Republic, especially in area of expansion of Czech National HPH Network and Czech National ENSH Network.



CONCLUSIONS

Czech even foreign participants have been very glad for this conference. Organizers have received many very positive feedbacks and thanks for active attitude in this problematic. Very positive has been evaluated conference's content, high level of presentations and friendly and inspiration ambience for meeting with health promoting-focused colleagues and sharing knowledge and experiences.

COMMENTS Similar conference activities on government level has a huge contribution for practice of HealthCare facilities and is very important, because leads to increase and deepening of cooperation and down-to-earth communication between MoH and HealthCare's representatives. MoH would like to continue in these activities for future.