RESHAPING THE BALANCE OF CARE IN GREECE

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• In August 2017 the Parliament passed a Bill (N.4486/2017)
  • which set out a strategy for the roll out of primary care.
  • with a view to breaking in the minds of patients that conceptual link that good care can only be delivered in hospitals
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- The overall vision is to put primary care at the centre of the system based upon *defined populations* for which *local health care networks* will be responsible and accountable.
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• This will be based upon Primary Health Care sectors (median size of 38,283 inhabitants) each with a structure of at least one specialist ambulatory care unit, a network of local primary care units (TOMYs), a referral Health Centre and a joint referral hospital with other sectors.
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Main reforms

• Role of family doctor – registry
• Health team
• Referral system
• Universal coverage of health needs
• Quality assurance
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Main reforms

• Sharing care with secondary and tertiary care
• Comprehensive care
• Focus on health promotion and disease prevention, terminal care and social care
Health Care Services
TOMYs

- Providing, comprehensive, people-centred care for all individuals registered with the TOMY and their community
- Implementing local public health interventions
- Functioning as the interface between the health system and the community
- Identifying vulnerable and excluded groups

- Key to this is that individuals and families register with a TOMY so that information can be gathered and shared between members of the health team.
Health Care Services
TOMYs

- Facing acute problems of population and referral to HC or Hospital
- Management of chronic diseases and home care
- Health Promotion and health education
- Prevention of diseases and risk-factors management
- Training towards to self-care
- Public Health Interventions (family, school, community)
- Identify and screening of mental health problems
Health Care Services
Health Centers

• 24/7 operation
• Specialist’s care for people either as referral from TOMY or self referred
• Emergency and acute problems
• Labs (X-ray and microbiology-hematology)
• Dental care for children and adults
Health Care Services
Health Centers

- Mother-child care
- Children – adolescent care
- Physiotherapy
- Occupational and speech therapy
- Social medicine and public health
- Health team
Supportive tools

- Electronic medical record
- Personal medical card
- e-prescription
- e-referral system
- Therapeutic protocol system
Thank You

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