

**MINUTES ADVOCACY FOR CHILDREN WORKING GROUP EUROPEAN ACADEMY OF
PAEDIATRICS - EAP WINTER MEETING 2015- BRUSSELS, FRIDAY, 29th JANUARY 2016 , HALL A,
16:00-18:00 h**

Attendance & apologies

Attended the meeting:

Ana Neves (Portugal)
Carsten R. Lincke (The Netherlands)
Karin Geitmann (Germany)
Lia Syridou (Greece)
Costas Dalucas (Greece)
Manuel Katz (Israel)
Francis Rubel (France)
Jiri Zeman (Czech Republic)
Karoly Illy (The Netherlands)
Maximilian Zach (Austria)
Hans Juergen Dornbusch (Austria)
Liesbeth Siderius (The Netherlands)
Pietro Ferrara (Italy)
Julie Mestrovic (Croatia)
Peter Altorjai (Hungary)
Martin J. White (Ireland)
Zachi Grossman (Israel)
Tomasz Szczepanski (Poland)
Artur Mazur (Poland)
David Neubauer (Slovenia)
Isabel Leiva (Spain)
Corinne Wyder (Switzerland)
Christine Aebi-Ochsner (Switzerland)
Mohamed Rashid Salem Elnadoury (UAE)
Thomas Siebler (Luxembourg)
Angel Carrasco (Spain) Chairman of the WG

**Approval of the Minutes of the last meeting of the Advocacy for Children WG at the EAP
Spring Meeting in Bratislava**

Approval of the Agenda

Report on the Survey “Child Health Inequalities among migrant children in the European Region”. Results. Conclusions.

The Chairman Angel Carrasco makes a short introduction on the situation of the refugee crisis in Europe, and then reports the results of the Survey launched with EPRASnet “Child Health Inequalities among migrant children in the European Region”.

The survey was open to answers during 6 weeks in September and October of 2015. There were almost 500 paediatricians from 17 European countries that answered the survey, the national distribution of the respondents is explained.

The answers to the items in the survey are reviewed, and compared to the previous knowledge found in a search of the available medical literature (WHO-HEN report and other references).

The results are discussed thoroughly by the WG. Some important conclusions that can be derived from the results are the prevalence of mental health problems and needs, the issue of communication problems, the lack of translators and cultural mediators in the offices, the need for training in migrant health and cultural competences, and the lack of updated clinical guides.

A proposal is made by the WG to prepare a statement with the main problems that the survey brought to light. Some members volunteer to prepare the statement in a short time (C. Lincke, K. Illy, K. Geitman, Z. Grossman, A. Carrasco) that will finally be reviewed by M. Zach, and then sent for approval by EAP Executive Bureau.

The WG considers a paper should be prepared for publication with the results of the survey. A call to share recent national guidelines on migrant child health and needs.

Report from ISSOP, Geneva Meeting

The most important conclusions of the ISSOP WG on migration are reviewed.

Report from ECPCP, Prague Meeting

In the ECPCP meeting in Prague in November a workshop on migrants and refugees took place. Peter Altorjai explains the actions of the Hungarian PC paediatricians association in relation with the crisis of refugees in the Budapest railway station.

Future Projects. Other Proposals

Any other business