



American Chamber of Commerce Health Care Council

Purpose, Activities and 2021 Action Plan

Purpose

The AmCham Health Council is composed of member companies interested in increasing the performance of the health care system, as measured by healthy life years, for employees and employers through innovation in management and technology, and through that innovation creating higher value-added exports.

Method

The Council will create a communication platforms for public and private health care experts to share best practice in policy and practice. When particular policies are identified as important to achieving the purpose of the Council, a working group will be established to advocate that policy.

The Council will **build political alliances and support development of effective partnership networking** among key health care stakeholders, payers, providers, regional and national governmental representatives, health care professional associations and patient groups.

The Council will **contribute to the transformation process** of the Czech health care system to reduce inequalities in health care by improving **regional systems of care** and to ensure equal and timely access to innovative treatments for the majority of Czech citizens.

The Council **support and elevate employee wellbeing programs** in order to get the fastest and the most effective business recovery.

2019/20 Activities

- **COVID support.** Organized treatment and procedure consultation in April for Czech hospitals, Czech Health Ministry and Slovak Health Ministry with practicing physician from Wuhan. Helped to arrange the proposed production and supply of 90 million FFP2 respirators. Donated CZK 300,000 to the production and free distribution of face shields to Czech medical and emergency workers through YSoft.
- **Roundtable Sessions with major political party representatives,** members of the Czech Parliament, UZIS and major insurance company representatives were organized. Barriers to access to innovative treatments were reviewed and a need to identify measurable health care quality indicators have been addressed.
- **2 Regional System of Care Roundtables** have taken place in the regions. This effective communication platform has been organized in partnership with Regional Governors of **Kraj Vysočina** and **Plzensky kraj**. Representatives from regional governments, hospitals management representatives and payors from **Jihomoravsky, Kralovehradecky, Karlovarsky, Jihocesky** and **Praha** have been discussing their transformational challenges and shared best practices.
- Content of a Digital **Health Care Congress** has been prepared in close cooperation with Nemocnice na Homolce and Digital Czech. The main objective is to build a partnership among Eucomed, CZ MoH, main payers and providers, to share challenges and referenced solutions for more effective HC transformation. (Due to COVID-19, postponed until 2021).
- **A working Group on National Cancer Control Plan (NCCP)** has been established with the aim to create a communication platform for all key health care stakeholders involved in cancer care delivery, and to initiate a discussion related to Czech NCCP review with a specific focus on quality indicators.
- **2 NCCP Roundtables** were organized. Representatives from the Czech Oncology Society, Czech Hemato-oncology Society, the Ministry of Health, patient organizations, payors and industry representatives attended. The meeting was followed by several working sessions with the aim to align on NCCP key deliverables and 2021 objectives.

2021 Action Plan

- **Effective Health System Management.** Organize a series of discussion with relevant representatives of political parties to discuss their priorities for the next electoral period, and to present the Health Care Council's priorities for the same period.
- **Raising and equalizing the quality of care in regions.** Organize two regional roundtables on effective health care management to increase equal access to care, and to highlight pilot projects which contribute to gains in healthy life years.
- **Digitization of health care.** Organize one session highlighting best practice in using digitization to manage disease treatment, optimize hospital use, increase effectiveness of outpatient care, and increase effectiveness of research.
- **Promote best practices online.** Distribute 2 bulletins focused on building health care management through national disease plans and aligning public research to the national disease plans.
- **Map and build alliances** for prevention, diagnosis and research in cardiovascular, oncological diseases and diabetes.

Get involved!

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