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# ACADEMY OF PATIENT ORGANIZATIONS

**The Academy of Patient Organizations** is an educational, capacity building and networking project for the Czech Patient Organizations. It strives to help them to solve their main issues, to follow their duties and to defend their rights. The project is under the auspices of the Association of Innovative Pharmaceutical Industry.



## GOALS OF THE PROJECT

- To promote the independence of Czech Patient Organizations.
- Long-term development of Patient Organizations.
- To teach them how to effectively get a funding from Czech and European sources.
- Networking

## MAIN EDUCATIONAL THEMES OF 2019





2019



**100+** patient  
organizations

**24** daylong  
seminars



## APO Alumni VI

The sixth annual of the APO Alumni took place at the Velkopřevorský Palace in Prague.

During the event, certificates were handed over to participants of the HTA educational course organized jointly by the Ministry of Healthcare with the Association of Innovative Pharmaceutical Industry.

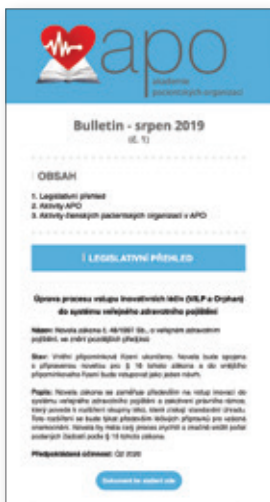


## APO Bulletin

The first APO Bulletin was launched in the autumn of 2019 with the aim of bringing together APO patient organizations and bringing them important news from a wide variety of areas.

APO Bulletin is published in electronic form and always consist of the following parts:

- Legislative overview
- APO Activities
- Activities of member patient organizations in APO
- Other news





## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Educational Program on Health Technology Assessment (Involvement of patients in decision-making processes concerning payment of health care)

In cooperation



In spring, the first two-daylong HTA advanced course (HTA II.) took place at the Association of Innovative Pharmaceutical Industry. It was used by representatives of patients from the first basic course from 2018.



In autumn, the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual of the basic course focused on “Patient involvement in the process of health technology assessment” took place in the premises of the Ministry of Health. It was used by other patients. (HTA I.)



2019



## APO Summer School V

The fifth annual APO Summer School patient conference was held on 25<sup>th</sup> of September in the Main Hall of the Valdštejn Palace under the auspices of Mr. Jaroslav Kubera, chairperson of the Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic.

Topic of this year's APO Summer School was: "Setting up transparent processes and the participation of patient organizations in the entry of new technologies".

Over 160 people participated in this year's APO Summer School, representing patient organisations, the Senate of the Parliament of the Czech Republic, the Ministry of Health CR, the State Institute for Drug Control, the Czech Medical Association, the European Parliament, pharma industry, media and others.





PATIENT  
CONFERENCE



NETWORKING



WORKSHOPS



LECTURES



BULLETIN

2019

## APO Mentoring

Mentoring 2019 took place with the participation of two experts – Mr. Marek Šedivý and Mr. Petr Vít. More than 30 representatives of patient organizations made use of this opportunity.

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### Mentoring with Mr. Marek Šedivý

March – June 2019

22 hours

15 patient organizations

- Management of a non-profit patient organization, functioning of boards, strategic planning
- Public Relations – cooperation with journalists, organization of events, brand building, networking, lobbying
- Fundraising





## II.

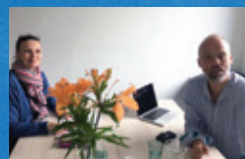
### Mentoring with Mr. Petr Vít

April – June 2019

22 hours

17 patient organizations

- Functioning of non-profit organizations and their bodies, issues solving
- Establishment of non-profit organizations and changes in legal forms
- Labour law
- Civil law (contracts)
- Copyright
- GDPR



2018



**90** patient  
organizations

**25** daylong  
seminars



## APO Summer School IV

The main topic of the fourth annual APO Summer School, all-day patient conference, was "Involvement of patient organizations, medical societies and the public in the process of Health Technology Assessment (HTA)."



## APO Mentoring

Mentoring in 2018 were attended by Ms. Kateřina Švidrnochová and Mr. Petr Freimann. During these mentoring, patient organizations focused most on branding, communication and marketing strategies, social networks, web, fundraising, campaigns and team management.



## Educational program in the Health Technology Assessment (HTA) area for representatives of patient organizations was held under the auspices of the Ministry of Healthcare of the Czech Republic

In cooperation



MINISTERSTVO ZDRAVOTNICTVÍ  
ČESKÉ REPUBLIKY



Asociace inovativního  
farmaceutického průmyslu



## 5 all-day lectures

Intensive educational program in area of drug policy and involvement of patients in a decision-making process regarding pricing and reimbursement of health care technologies.



*Dr. Karen Facey*



## APO Alumni V

The fifth annual APO Alumni was held in the Residence of the U.S. Ambassador in Prague.

90 participants:

- Patient Organizations
- U.S. Ambassador
- Ministry of Healthcare
- Health insurance companies
- Czech medical Association of J. E. Purkyně
- State institute for Drug Control
- European Parliament
- Media
- Industry
- And others





2017



**90** patient  
organizations

**23** daylong  
seminars



### APO in Brussels

The representatives of the Czech Patient Organizations had the opportunity to meet and discuss with members of the European Parliament and European umbrella patient organisations. The event was held under the auspices of Ms. Kateřina Konečná, Member of the European Parliament (MEP).



### APO Summer School III

The main topics, of the third annual APO Summer School, were How to Involve Patients in the HTA Process and the role of the umbrella patient organisations. Two international experts on the HTA process accepted the invitation to the patient conference. The representative of the German patient umbrella organization presented current German HTA system and the role of national umbrella organizations within the process.



### APO Award 2017

In 2017, the second APO Award was held in two categories: Best Running Project and Best Innovative Project Intention/Vision.



### APO Networking meeting

During the APO all-day networking meeting, Patient Organizations were able to present among each other their activities and goals, projects and campaigns, and to share practical suggestions and more.



### APO Alumni IV

The fourth Alumni was held in the Senate of the Czech Republic. 90 participants:

- Patient Organizations
- Senate of the Czech Republic
- Ministry of Healthcare
- European Parliament
- Czech Medical Association of J. E. P.
- State Institute for Drug Control
- Insurance Companies
- Media
- Industry
- And others

2016



**83** patient  
organizations

**24**

daylong  
seminars



### APO Summer School II

The main objectives of the meeting were to set a reciprocal dialogue and to elevate the erudition of Patient Organizations so that they could be an equal partner in communication with the state authorities.



### APO Award 2016

In 2016 was the first year of APO Awards in two categories; first the best ongoing project and second the best innovative project plan/vision.



### APO Alumni III

The third APO Alumni meeting was held in the Residence of the French Ambassador in Prague.  
90 participants:

- Patient Organizations
- French Ambassador
- Ministry of Healthcare
- Czech Medical Association of J.E.P.
- State Institute for Drug Control
- World Health Organization
- Media
- Industry
- And others

#### APO Award 2016



2015



**71** patient organizations

**24** daylong seminars



### Establishment of APO Advisory Board

- Development of Academy
- Curriculum APO
- Sustainable funding
- Support to the Patient Organizations and their involvement in the health care and social system in CR



### APO Summer School I

All-day event where representatives of Patient Organizations met with deputies of the Czech Medical Societies with the aim to establish closer cooperation and increase their erudition.



### APO Alumni II

The second APO Alumni meeting was held in the Residence of the British Ambassador in Prague.

70 participants:

- Patient Organizations
- UK Ambassador
- European Patients' Forum
- Ministry of Healthcare
- Czech Medical Association of J.E.P.
- World Health Organization
- Media
- Industry
- And others

#### APO Alumni II 2015



2014



**57** patient organizations

**25** daylong seminars



### On-line advisory center "I know my medications" (June)

It helps patients to understand the medications they are taking, to identify potential interactions and multiple use of the same molecule.



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léky

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## APO Alumni I

The first unique APO Alumni meeting was held in the Residence of the U.S. Ambassador in Prague.

70 participants:

- Patient Organizations
- U.S. Ambassador
- Ministry of Healthcare
- Health insurance companies
- World Health Organization
- State Institute for Drug Control
- Media
- Industry
- And others



## Auspices of the deputy of the minister of Ministry of Health

2013



**30** patient organizations **12** daylong seminars



## Course for Managers in non-profit and contributory organizations

Eighteen-day intensive course accredited by the Ministry of Education, Youth and Sports of the Czech Republic.



## Consultation and mentoring service (January–September)

In the areas Fundraising, Communications, Patient Rights and Duties in the Education Program.



## Auspices of the Minister of Health

2012



## Project START in October 2012



**30** patient organizations



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