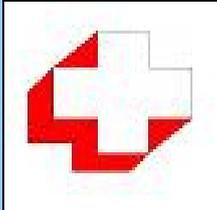




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10th NATIONAL CONGRESS

ON NOSOCOMIAL INFECTIONS

OF THE BULGARIAN ASSOCIATION FOR PREVENTION AND

INFECTION CONTROL „BULNOSO” and

2nd NATIONAL SEMINAR OF THE BULNOSO ACADEMY

Co-organized with

the University Hospital “St. Anna” – Sofia

Sofia, 20-21 November 2014

First Announcement

Dear colleagues and friends,

The main purpose of the Bulgarian Association for Prevention and Infection Control “BulNoso” is to provide information on European standards and innovation to a wide range of experts from clinical and preventive medicine necessary for their professional development. For its information and training purposes BulNoso maintains **the renewed website www.bulnoso.org, the Bulletin “Nosocomial Infections”, and the National Congress with international participation.**

Traditionally, the main topics of the nosocomial infections surveillance with its epidemiological, ethiological and clinical aspects, as well as the implementation of **complex measures to prevent the healthcare-associated infections**, will be discussed during the working sessions of the congress, and the company’s exhibition will illustrate recent advances in methods and technologies for development and use of **products to ensure hospital hygiene, disinfection and sterilization.**

In 2014, the scientific programme will be focused on the **2nd NATIONAL SEMINAR OF THE BULNOSO ACADEMY, aimed at training in prevention of HAIs in intensive care units and sharp injuries prevention in the hospital and healthcare sector** (Directive 2010/32/EU), and the **ROUND TABLE: “Bundels: to transfer science into practice”**. With participation of leading clinical specialists we will discuss the necessity of changes in nosocomial infection prevention rationale and practices in the context of the National Standards. The Congress will be hosted by one of the **BSHHP Model Hospitals, University Hospital “St. Anna”- Sofia**, an example of successful combining the best traditions with the progress in introduction of the European healthcare standards.

10th National Congress of BulNoso will continue to support the WHO Initiatives „Global Patient Safety Challenge” by focusing on different aspects of hand hygiene and compliance with the best hygiene standards in healthcare as a means of **quality assurance in hospitals and other healthcare facilities.**

On behalf of the Organizing committee of the **10th National Congress** on Nosocomial Infections and the BulNoso Board I would like to invite all of you who are interested to obtain and share scientific and practical knowledge within the different topics of the forum, **to join us for BulNoso 2014** at the conference centre of the **University Hospital “St. Anna” in Sofia, Bulgaria.**

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Honorary President

**BulNoso President
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MAIN TOPICS:

- 1. Patient Safety: Prevention of HAIs in intensive care units.**
- 2. Hand Hygiene: training, monitoring and evaluation.**
- 3. Cleaning, Disinfection and Sterilization in hospital practice.**
- 4. Surveillance and prevention of sharp injuries in hospital.**
- 5. Personnel and patient's protection through immunization.**

This year a special attention will be given to: Catheter-associated urinary tract infections, ventilator-associated infections and surgical-site infections. The discussion on the diagnostics and prevention of viral hepatitis will continue.