

Harmonisation of psychiatric training across Europe

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The treaty of Rome aimed at the realisation of free exchange of persons, services, goods and capital all over Europe.

The need for mutual recognition of basic and specialist medical qualifications was very quickly recognised. The European Directive 93/16/EEC (1993) established the most recent legal basis for it.

Ever since its founding in 1958 the Union Européenne de Médecins Spécialistes - official name for the European Union of Medical Specialists - has been standing for high standards in postgraduate training (PGT), Continuing Medical Education and Professional Development (CME and CPD) and Quality Assurance. Only these elements will be able to provide patients with high quality care all over Europe.

This presentation will highlight main past and future strategies of the UEMS Section of Psychiatry in view of increased migration after the major political changes in Europe during the early nineties of last century.

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