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Press release

Hygeia Hospital Tirana: Otorhinolaryngologic diseases in children
Precision in diagnosis and integrated treatment of ENT problems
in an early age

ENT pathologies in an early age are diverse, and perhaps the major cause of pediatric consults. A thorough discussion of both specialties combined – ENT and Pediatrics – for the major pathologies affecting this age group, early diagnosis and latest methods of treatment, are of great value.

The otoacoustic neonatal examination and early diagnosis of auditive problems in children, affects the early treatment and prevents speech problems. Hygeia Hospital Tirana realizes the otoacoustic examinations for all neonates starting from their second day of life. The realization of cochlear implants and the collaboration with very experienced doctors in this field, leads to a professional approach to these problems and makes it **one of the most important healthcare centers in the region for the diagnosis and treatment of auditive problems.**

As several pediatric diseases are increasing both in Albania and Greece, the **7th scientific conference** in Hygeia Hospital Tirana was organised, with the topic: “Otorinolaryngologic Diseases in Children”, **on January 21, 2012.**

The functional endoscopic surgery of sinuses in children was one of the most interesting topics, because of the narrow experience in this field in Albania. Using appropriate devices, such as optic fibers, endoscopic tubes, microdebriders and intraoperative navigation system, Hygeia Hospital Tirana offers to young patients high standards and short hospitalization period. The hospital team with the whole range of latest technology equipment for the diagnosis and treatment of these pathologies, facilitates and puts the work of ENT doctors and Pediatricians on strong scientific ground.

The importance of endoscopic examination in the diagnosis of pathologies of the laryngus and trachea in children, was a discussion that brought both Greek and Albanian experience in the conference. Of great interest was the topic about aesthetic problems in children and their treatment with plastic

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surgery, mainly the correction of large ears. Modern methods of treatment of superior respiratory system infections, otitis, rhynitis, tonsillitis, adenoiditis, sleep apnea and their medical and surgical treatment were also discussed. Neoplastic pediatric problems of head and neck, their early diagnosis and treatment, the importance of the hystopathological diagnosis, were other important issues discussed in the conference.

«For this reason», said the **CEO of Hygeia Hospital Tirana, Mr. Kyriakos Kopsidis**, «our hospital has recruited a highly specialized and professional medical staff, is equipped with latest technology medical equipment and applies the latest techniques for the integrated management of ENT pathologies.”

The **Head of the ENT Clinic at Mitera Pediatric Hospital in Athens, Dr. Iakovos Petmezakis**, stated: “It is very important to inform and properly educate children and parents related to the prevention and treatment of pediatric ENT pathologies, in order to reach an early diagnosis. The staff of Hygeia Group is dedicated to offer the best medical service – also thanks to the brilliant collaboration between Albanian and Greek doctors – for the improvement of the quality of life of children with problems and their families.”

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