Questionnaire on Complementary/Alternative Medicine - CAM

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CALENDAR

1st February 2012 Sending the questionnaire to the W.G. Members
15th February 2012 Deadline to submit amendments to the questionnaire
9th March 2012 Sending the questionnaire to CEOM Members
10th April 2012 Deadline for responding to the questionnaire
28th October 2012 new deadline for responding to the questionnaire

W.G. Members

Conseil National de l'Ordre des Médecins - France
Consejo General de Colegios de Medicos - Spain
Fédération des Médecins Suisses
Federazione Nazionale degli Ordini dei Medici Chirurghi e degli Odontoiatri
Panhellenic Medical Association - Greece
We received answer from

- Austria
- Belgium
- Cyprus
- Czech Republic
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Italy
- Ireland
- Luxembourg
- Portugal
- Romania
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Switzerland
- United Kingdom
What is the terms used in your Country to define the CAM?

- AUS: Complementary medicine
- BE: Non conventional practice
- CH: CAM
- CY: Natural and Holistic medicine
- CZ: CAM, Holistic medicine
- ES: CAM
- FR: Non conventional practice
- DE: Complementary medicine
- GR: Alternative medicine
- IRL: C/AM
- IT: Alternative or non-conventional medicines
- LUX: pseudo-medical medicines
- PT: non conventional therapies
- RO: CAM
- SLO: Healing
- UK: CAM
Are the CAM taken into account by the Code of Ethics......

- Austria: not explicitly
- Belgium: NO
- Cyprus: NO
- Czech Republic: basically yes
- France: NO
- Germany: YES
- Greece: NO
- Ireland: NO
- Italy: YES art. 15
- Luxembourg: YES art. 15
- Portugal: YES art. 152
- Romania: NO
- Slovenia: YES art. 3 & 4
- Spain: YES art. 26.1 & 26.2
- Switzerland: NO pas spécifiquement
- United Kingdom: NO
National legislation formalizes the use of CAM?

- Austria: **YES**, homeopathy, acupuncture, chiropractic, ayurvedic, others
- Belgium: **YES**, homeopathy, acupuncture, osteopathy, chiropractic
- Cyprus: **NO**
- Czech Republic: **YES**, homeopathic medicines
- France: **YES**, homeopathy, acupuncture, chiropractic, osteopathy
- Germany: **YES**, homeopathy, phytotherapy, anthroposophic medicine
- Greece: **NO**
- Ireland: **NO**
- Italy: **NO** in the most part of Italy **YES** only in 3 Regions, homeopathy, acupuncture, phytotherapy
- Luxembourg: **YES**, homeopathy,, chiropractic, osteopathy
- Portugal: **YES**, homeopathy, acupuncture, chiropractic, osteopathy, naturopathy, phytotherapy
- Romania: **YES,,** acupuncture, chiropractic, ayurvedic, osteopathy, others
- Slovenia: Healing
- Spain: **YES**, homeopathy, acupuncture
- Switzerland: **YES, homeopathy, acupuncture, homotoxicology, chiropractic, ayurvedic, anthroposophic medicine,, natural therapy, phytotherapy, chinese medicine
- United Kingdom: **YES, osteopathy**
Is there university course for CAM

- Austria: NO
- Belgium: YES
- Cyprus: NO
- Czech Republic: NO
- France: YES
- Germany: YES
- Greece: NO
- Ireland: NO
- Italy: YES
- Luxembourg: NO
- Portugal: NO
- Romania: NO
- Slovenia: NO
- Spain: YES
- Switzerland: YES
- United Kingdom: YES
it is a part of the curriculum

in which year is proposed

is it compulsory

NO

YES: optional subjects for the admission to the second part of the state exam in Germany

YES: compulsory in Switzerland
Are the diploma issued by private schools recognized by your C.A.

- Austria: YES
- Belgium: NO
- Cyprus: NO
- Czech Republic: NO
- France: NO
- Germany: NO
- Greece: NO
- Ireland: NO
- Italy: NO
- Luxembourg: NO
- Portugal: NO
- Romania: YES
- Slovenia: NO
- Spain: YES
- Switzerland:
- United Kingdom: YES

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Is there a “special register”

NO

Only in Spain, Germany, Greece & Switzerland and in some Italian Orders, the Romanian, registers the physician’s competences.

In Slovenia, Medical Doctors are not allowed to practice healing. If they do, Competent Authority can revoke their license to practice medicine.
Assumed % of users

- Austria: 20 – 40
- Belgium: 20 – 40
- Cyprus: 0 - 10
- Czech Republic: no data
- France: 40 – 60
- Greece: ??
- Germany: no data
- Ireland: no data
- Italy: 10 – 20
- Luxembourg: no data
- Portugal: no data
- Romania: no data
- Slovenia: no data
- Spain: 20 – 40
- Switzerland: 40 - 60
- United Kingdom: unknown
Age of users

- Austria: 20 – 40
- Belgium: unknown
- Cyprus: 40 - 60
- Czech Republic: no data
- France: 40 – 60
- Germany: no data
- Greece: all ages
- Ireland: no data
- Italy: 40 – 60
- Luxembourg: no data
- Portugal: no data
- Romania: no data
- Slovenia: no data
- Spain: 40 – 60
- Switzerland: all ages
- United Kingdom: unknown
Are CAM covered

- Austria: NO
- Belgium: NO
- Cyprus: NO
- Czech Republic: NO
- France: YES, partially
- Germany: YES, partially
- Greece: NO
- Ireland: no answer
- Italy: only in Tuscany
- Luxembourg: YES, partially
- Portugal: no answer
- Romania: no data
- Slovenia: no answer
- Spain: no data
- Switzerland: YES under certain condition
- United Kingdom: YES, partially
CRITICAL POINTS:

- UNIVERSITY

- EDUCATION:
  - PRIVATE SCHOOLS

- OFFICIAL RECOGNITION BY THE NATIONAL COMPETENT AUTHORITY (MINISTRY OF HEALTH)

- SCIENTIFIC CRITERIA FOR ACCREDITATION
1) CAM MUST HAVE A SOLID SCIENTIFIC BASE

2) ONLY PHYSICIANS CAN PRACTICE ACCREDITED CAM

3) ..........................................................
THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION