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CEOM'S DECLARATION

The European Council of Medical Orders (CEOM), meeting in Paris, supports its participating organization, the Portuguese Medical Association in declaring:

- that the recognition of the activity of the physiotherapist as a profession in the area of health care can never lose sight of the fact that the diagnosis and referral for treatment of physiotherapy is exclusively a medical decision.
- If the medical diagnosis establishes the existence of a disease that needs a rehabilitation program, the physical activity of the physiotherapist is carried out in the context of his participation in the multidisciplinary team, but under the supervision of a physician.

The CEOM supports the unity and integrity of the medical profession in Portugal and of its institutional representation through its regulatory organs and medical Councils and refuses any measure which aim is to divide the profession and break with the common principles and values for all the doctors and the patients.