Some examples of international HOPE events

1988 - Ljubljana  
1st European Congress

1992 - Vienna  
2nd European Congress
The Pupil as a Patient - the Patient as a Pupil

1996 - Uppsala  
3rd European Congress
Hospital Education - an Open Window for the Sick Child

1998 - Paris  
1st European Days

2000 - Barcelona  
4th European Congress
The Rights of the Sick Child

2002 - Rome  
2nd European Days
From Integration to Inclusion of the Sick Child

2004 - Brussels  
3rd European Days
Ethics and Deontology for Hospital Teachers

2006 - London  
5th European Congress
Getting Better Together

2008 - Tampere  
6th European Congress
Facing Reality and Dreams

2010 - Munich  
7th European Congress
The Sick Child – Supported by a Network of Education and Medicine

2012 - Amsterdam  
8th European Congress
Hospital Teaching in Changing Times

2014 - Bucharest  
9th European Congress
Together for a Better Education of Sick Children and Adolescents

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At time of print there were national chapters in the following countries:

We have relations to partner organisations for example in: Australia, New Zealand, Mexico, Brazil, Chile

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HOPE Charter

Charter of the Rights and Educational Needs of Sick Children and Adolescents (excerpts)

Every sick child and adolescent has the right to education in hospital or at home.

+++ The hospital school creates a community of children and adolescents, and normalises their daily life. Education in hospital may be organised as class, group or individual teaching, including at the bedside.

+++ The aim of teaching sick children and adolescents is the continuation of their education, enabling them to maintain their role as pupils.

+++ The lesson plan encompasses more than formal curriculum learning. It includes subjects related to special needs arising from illness and hospitalisation.

+++ The integrity of the child or adolescent shall be respected.

HOPE is the European network of teachers of children and adolescents with medical conditions. Our aims are (excerpts):

- to promote the right to education for children with medical conditions according to their individual needs in a suitable environment;

- to work towards the implementation of the European Charter for ‘The Rights and Educational Needs of Sick Children and Adolescents’ (Barcelona, May 2000);

- to promote the development of teaching in hospitals, and in general the education of children with medical conditions;

- to promote and encourage research in all aspects of hospital teaching and education of students with medical conditions and to publicise examples of good practice.

We maintain a website, collaborate in workshops, issue newsletters, organise national and international events and, on a general level, contribute to building a united Europe by cooperating across national borders.

If you work in the field, please reflect if and how you might be able to get involved. A small first step is simply becoming a member.

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