An announcement no 1 of
the International Scientific Conference
on the 10th anniversary of the Malopolska Hospice
for Children

Hospice care for children in Poland - achievements, challenges and perspectives

Dear Sir/Madam,

Hospice care for children is a socially important issue that includes medical sciences and contemporary development of science which allows to consider constantly the new methods of treatment and care simultaneously with introduction of limits of medical intervention, implementation of an innovative form of care, both home, stationary and respite.

The hospice care includes also wide range of the humanities and sociology. From the issue of psychological support during disease and after loss of the loved ones, through the ethical and spiritual issues, social work for families and questions about its limits, the pedagogical ones, to the legal aspects of the care as well as qualifications of the subjects which organize it.

The 10th anniversary of the Malopolska Hospice for Children’s activity seems to be a good opportunity to sum up the achievements of the hospice care in Poland to date as it is unquestionably a well developed and effective structure. On the other hand, it may be a valuable contribution to the discussion on the next challenges and perspectives of its development in both scientific and practical aspect.

We would like the Conference organized jointly by the Malopolska Hospice for Children, Institute of Social Work of the Pedagogical University in Krakow, the Neurology of Children and Young People Department of the Jagiellonian University and the Municipality of Krakow on May 10, 2016, to be a great opportunity to skill-sharing between people who are engaged in hospice care every day, both scientifically and professionally.

Simultaneously, we nurture hope that the planned post-conference publications will be a significant contribution to the scientific discourse upon contemporary palliative care of children.

We would like cordially invite you to take part in the Conference

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Information about the Conference:

**Time:** May 10, 2016  
**Place:** A conference room in the Municipality of Krakow, Plac Wszystkich Świętych 3/4, Krakow

**The organizer:**  
The Malopolska Hospice for Children

**Co-organizers:**  
the Institute of Social Work of the Pedagogical University in Krakow

the Neurology of Children and Young People Department of the Jagiellonian University  
the Municipality of Krakow

**Honorary patronage:**  
Jacek Majchrowski the President of the City of Krakow  
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The Malopolska District Nurses and Midwives Association in Krakow  
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- TVP3 Kraków
- Dziennik Polski
- Radio Kraków
- Magiczny Kraków
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Fields of the conference subjects:

1. Medical aspects of hospice care of children - contemporary trends in hospice care of children
2. Spiritual, ethical and philosophical aspects of hospice care
3. Psychological aspects of hospice care - care of patients, families and support after the loss;
4. Social work in hospice care - challenges, fields
5. Untreatable patient rights
6. A teacher's role and tasks in hospice care
7. An augmentative and alternative communication AAC as a challenge for hospice care of children
8. Respite care - a modern form of palliative care
9. The legal and economic aspects of the hospice activity in Poland
10. Hospice volunteering

A registration form for the conference:

We invite you to take part in the conference and to give a report or to take part in the simplistic session of the representatives of science as well as practitioners in the field of hospice care of children.

Please send your registration form to the address: konferencja@mhd.org.pl, till non-extendible term of April, 10 2016

The registration form is available on the conference’s website: 10lat.mhd.org.pl

Publication:
The organizers anticipate edition of the reviewed scientific publications. Please send the full-text articles in Polish or English along with the summaries in both languages as well as the summaries of the works admitted to presentation in form of posters till non-extendible term of May, 20 2016. After receiving a positive review, they will be published.
The editorial requirements on the website: www.10lat.mhd.org.pl

The participation fees:
The conference fee for an active participation (an address or a poster) is **150 PLN** and includes: publication of an article (after receiving a positive review), a snack on the day of the conference, a ticket for one person for a charity concert on the 10th Anniversary of establishment of the Malopolska Hospice for Children which is going to take place on the day of the conference at 6.30 p.m. in the Krakow Philharmonic.

The conference fee for a passive participation is **50 PLN** and includes: The conference material package, a snack on the conference day, a ticket for one person for a charity concert on the 10th anniversary of establishment of the Malopolska Hospice for Children which is going to take place on the day of the conference at 6.30 p.m. in the Krakow Philharmonic.

Details about the transfer will be sent to all the participants whose registration forms will be approved.

**Conference program in general outline:**

Place: A conference room in the Municipality of Krakow, Plac Wszystkich Świętych 3/4, Krakow 8.30-9.30 a.m. - registration of participants

9.30 a.m. - a ceremonial opening of the conference and a plenary session

11.30 a.m. - a coffee break

12.00 p.m. - debates in the theme sessions:

I. A medical session

II. A non-medical session

1.30 p.m. - lunch/ a poster session

2 p.m. - continuation of debates in the sessions

3.30 p.m. - the conclusion of the Conference

6.30 p.m. - a concert on the 10th anniversary of the Malopolska Hospice for Children, the Krakow Philharmonic, ul. Zwierzyniecka.

A detailed conference program will be published after April 20, 2016.
Accommodation:

The organizers do not make a booking.

In the immediate vicinity of the place where the conference is going to be held, there are among others:

- **RADISSON BLU HOTEL**
  ul. Straszewskiego 17, 31-101 Kraków
  Tel: +48 (12) 618 88 88
  E-mail: info.krakow@radissonblu.com

- **IBIS HOTEL KRAKÓW**
  ul. Syrokomli 2, 30 102 KRAKÓW

- **BEST WESTERN Kraków Old Town**
  *** ul. Św. Gertrudy 6, 31-046 Kraków
  tel.: +48 12 422 76 66, fax: +48 12 269 15 60

There are also many other hotels and hostels nearby.

The accompanied events:

- **A charity concert on the 10th anniversary of foundation of the Malopolska Hospice for Children**
  May 10, 2016 at 6.30 p.m. The Krakow Philharmonic ul. Zwierzyniecka 2
  all the participants of the Conference are invited to the concert

- **A visit to the Respite Care Center for Chronically Ill and Untreatable Children**
  The Malopolska Hospice for Children invites to visit first in Poland Respite Care Center for Chronically Ill and Untreatable Children ul. Odmętowa, Kraków - Nowa Huta.
  A visit in the Center will be possible on: May 9 or 11, 2016. If you are interested in visit, please mark it in an appropriate place (point ) in the registration form. The organizers provide transport from the center of Krakow to the Respite Care Center and back.

Additional information and contact:

The detailed information will be put on the website: 10lat.mhd.org.pl
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