

# SSED-Newsletter



## Tariff news

There were no new decisions on the TARVISION tariffs over the last few months, but several new features are expected in the DRGs:

An additional compensation for Sandostatin LAR and Somatulin Autogel will be included in the DRG 2016 "Zusatzentgelt".

There will be no splitting of decompensated diabetes and diabetes treatment >16 years of age because the analysis proved no significant additional costs. But there will be a higher cost weight as to complications due to severe malnutrition.

Additional modifications in the DRGs 2016 concern dietary consultations by nutritionists in early rehabilitation of stroke patients (included), and the fact that endocrinology will be part of the complex treatment of anorexia (submitted, not accepted yet).

## Recommendation for assisted living facilities

An interprofessional and interdisciplinary working group led by Prof. Ulrich Keller has elaborated a recommendation for personnel of assisted living facilities concerning their patients with insulin treatment.

Main objective of this recommendation is to reduce the number of severe hypoglycemia in dependent diabetic patients living in homes e.g. for the elderly. Curaviva (the association of assisted living services) and Spitex Switzerland delegated representatives to the working group.

The recommendation will be available online at the SGED/SSED website in German and French in mid-October. It will also be distributed widely by the two aforementioned organizations. An article for the SMF and the RMS is in preparation.

## President's Corner

Dear colleagues

After the SGED/SSED committee had its last meeting on August 13, the SGED/SSED conducted a brainstorming workshop with a broader array of SGED/SSED representatives in Bern on August 25, 2015. Aim of the event was to assess the current strengths and weaknesses of the society and to identify important challenges and possible remedies for the short and mid-term future. Overall twenty members of our society discussed the topics mentioned above in two working groups, coming up with a wide spectrum of strategic options and opportunities for the near future. A follow-up meeting between François Pralong and myself with the purpose of defining the immediate next steps is scheduled for October. We will keep you posted on our plans at the General Assembly. So if you are interested, please attend the General Assembly during the scientific meeting on Bern on November 12 and 13.

Kind regards,

*Emanuel Christ, President*

## Successful new or improved SGED/SSED conferences

The Interdisciplinary Diabetes Workshop IDW, an interprofessional two-day diabetes conference, was conducted under the brand of the SGED/SSED for the first time at the end of June 2015. The conference was organized by a working group consisting of diabetologists, primary care physicians, podiatrists, diabetes nurses and nutritionists around Dr. Miriam Faulenbach. This conference follows in the footsteps of the DESG seminars and the previous SGED interdisciplinary working group (AID) led by Lukas Villiger and Roger Lehmann. The premiere in Murten was a great success – the conference was sold out with 120 attendants and the reviews after the event were very positive. The IDW conferences are scheduled to take place every two years and the crew is looking forward to planning the next event for June 2017.

The Ultrasound Seminar led by Prof. Jan Krützfeld, Prof. Christoph Stettler and a team of tutors in Zurich on August 29, 2015 was also a great success. The seminar was conducted in collaboration with the Society of nuclear medicine. The twenty available slots filled so quickly that the format has to be reviewed for upcoming events.

## Upcoming Events

**Annual Conference/  
General Assembly**  
12/13 November 2015, Bern

**Fosped 2016**  
21 April 2016, Biel/Bienne

**31. Donau-Symposium /  
SGED/SSED-Spring Conference**  
30.06.-02.07.2016, Bern