

LEGAL ASPECTS OF E-HEALTH DEVELOPMENT IN NORTH MACEDONIA – WHERE DO WE STAND?

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1. Goals

- The main goal is to analyze the process of development and shaping of the Macedonian e-health system, through:
 - Analyzing the transposition of the *acquis communautaire* in the field of digital health of the national legislation,
 - The development, functioning and tendencies of the e-health system at national level
 - The practices and their impact on the e-health system and legislation

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Methodology

- Literature review
- Mapping of national legislation,
- Historical and comparative methods,
- Analyzing and synthesis of online reports, information, news and working documents released by WHO and EC

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In practice
from 2013

- Ministry of health according to the Strategy for developing the Macedonian integration system” together with all stakeholders involved, the Health Insurance Fund and the Institute for public health an other close connected institutions (healthcare institutions and agency)

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Legal framework of eHealth in North Macedonia

- **Law on Health Care ,2012**
- **Law on Health Insurance, 2000**
- **Law on the Protection of Patients' Rights, 2008**
- **Law on Health Records, 2009**
- **Law on Personal Data Protection, 2020**

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WHO Survey for EU Member States in the WHO European Region, 2016

- 84% of MS in the WHO European region have policies to support their progress in achieving universal health coverage
- 70 % of MS have a national eHealth policy or strategy
- 69% of MS have financial support available specifically for the implementation of their national eHealth strategy or policy
- 60% of MS report having a policy or strategy guiding the development of their national HIS
- 89% of MS offer education or training on how to use ICT and eHealth

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Challenges

- The policymakers and the lawmakers to put the regulation of artificial intelligence in healthcare high on their agenda
- To develop adequate process of transforming of the physical performance of all involved stakeholders to hybrid and online
- Sustainable risk management in the healthcare system
- Sharing data, networking and cybersecurity
- To develop coherent legal framework
- Adequate and compatible education
- Lack of research and innovation knowledge

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