National COPD campaign in Bulgarian



- · Call center 0700 10 105
- One month
- · 40 centers, 28 cities
- 1700 doctor's visits

World No Tobacco Day 2008



ABBA and Ministry of Health together with Bulgarian Respiratory Society performed spirometry and consultation with a pulmonologist.

In the specialized exhibition "Alley of Health", initiated by ABBA in partnership with CHP, which organized free consultations by experts for health problems and



conducted an information campaign "The patient has the right". The Ombudsman of the Republic of Bulgaria – Ginio Ganev, also took part with informational materials and held meetings with citizens.

Coalition for Life Without Tobacco Smoke

ABBA founders of the Coalition for Life Without Tobacco Smoke "presented as a national organization protecting the interests of Bulgarian patients supported the



introduction of total prohibition of smoking in public places. ABBA submitted a declaration in support of public places smoking ban, to Minister of Health Borissova at her first press conference.

WORLD ASTHMA DAY 2010 in BULGARIA











The event took place in seven cities: Sofia, Plovdiv, Stara Zagora, Varna, Pleven, Vidin, Berkoviza

and 2 000 spirometries were performed.

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Member of the Confederation "Health Protection" /CHP/

The Association of Bulgarians with Bronchial Asthma is a civil non-profit organization operating for public benefit – protecting the rights of people, suffering from asthma and respiratory diseases. We keep the rights of full employment and a better quality of life, promoting the initiative and activity for patients to defend their right to health in European and world standards. We improve their health and civil culture.

ABBA was established in 2002 and registered by Sofia City Court on 25.06.2002 Creating such an association was driven by continuing and deepening crisis in health care, aggravated by the unequal position, in which are a lot of patients with this diagnosis and the lack of information at the public field, as well as the alarming fact that this is the most common chronic pain among children. The Association seeks patients to have effective and modern diagnosis, treatment and prevention. Our goal is to promote training and qualification of doctors in order to improve the control and treatment of respiratory diseases – asthma, chronic obstructive pulmonary disease /COPD/, etc.

Since 2009, ABBA has observed the rights of the patients at the Health Insurance Fund.



2003 "Goldfish" campaign - all members of Parliament receive live goldfish and the Head of Parliamentary Committee on Healthcare receives a fish tank with faucet (he can turn the faucet and leave all asthmatics like fish in an empty fish tank).





2003 "Easter card" campaign – Easter is here,

and so are we – Christ was reborn while our children still wait and cannot breathe freely.





2003 "Men in Black" campaign – a vigil in front of the key institutions (NHIF, Parliament, MoH, MoF) with clear written demands and no other activities.





