




Working party for funding of infectiology

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1 June 2021

History

- 19 May 2020: Recognition Infectiology and Medical Microbiology
 - 2 June 2020: Creation of a preliminary working party (former board) on the funding of Infectiology
 - 1 July 2020: First meeting between working party and INAMI/RIZIV
 - 2 March 2021: Creation of a new and official working party (current board), composed of infectiologists of university and non university hospitals, coordinated by Drs Xavier Holemans and Caroline Theunissen




Goals of the working party

- Reflexion and influence on the future financial remuneration of our new specialty
- Description of all aspects of our professional activities, taking into account the differences between f.e. university and non-university hospital-based ID physicians
- Involvement in the upcoming reform of health care and in particular nomenclature
- Looking for partners for information and support (lobby)



Activities working party

- Creation of a draft text
 - Monthly online meetings with the members of the working party
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- (Planned) meetings between the WP and
 - Representatives of the federations of health-care institutions of Brussels, Wallonia and Flanders (GIBBIS, UNESSA, SANTHEA, ICURO Zorgnet)
 - Professional Unions (BVAS/ABSYM, GBS/VBS)
 - Association of medical chiefs
 - Medical directors of the insurance companies
 - RIZIV/INAMI
 - BAPCOC
- Examples in other European countries
- Scientific studies on funding

Preliminary conclusions

- Nomenclature ID necessary especially in ambulatory care and multidisciplinary activities: importance of the involvement in the current projects on reform (group of Lieven Annemans)
- Fixed (forfait) funding for the presence of an ID physician per X beds or patients or pathologies or...remunerating very important aspects of our activity such as:
 - AB stewardship
 - Consulting
 - Hospital management of outbreaks
 - etc

What next?

- Ending the different consultations with our partners (June)
- Reflexion on the cost and value of our activities
- Finalizing the work document (July-August)
- Meeting president and health care director INAMI (September)