### **BELGIUM**

### Vlaams Patiëntenplatform vzw

The Flemish part of Belgium will repeat last year's action on 18<sup>th</sup> of April: inform patients of their rights at the doors of 10 hospitals in Flanders. In June we will give information workshops in every province of all citizens. In September we will organise a conference for professional health care workers. We are organising these actions because our patients rights law celebrates this year his 10th birthday.

http://www.vlaamspatientenplatform.be/

#### **BULGARIA**

## **Bulgarian Association for Patients' Rights Defence**

This year they will start at 09.04.2012 with an information campaign throughout the country and a broadcast of a video on the national and cable television promoting Patients' rights. On the 18.04 we will organize a Roundtable with leading medical experts in Bulgaria on current diseases and topics in healthcare, followed by a national press conference with a host the second rated hospital in Bulgaria - "Tokuda Hospital Sofia". Within these two weeks will be organizing several separate initiatives in relation to specific diseases (free consultations and examinations, distribution of informational materials on specific diseases, etc.).

http://www.patient.bg/index\_bg.php

#### **CIPRUS**

## **Limassol District Committee for examining Patients' Complaints**

The 18<sup>th</sup> of April they plan to have a press conference with the Minister of Health. Also leaflets about patients' rights will be offer to people who visit public hospitals and private polyclinics. Cyprus will have the presidency of EU and ageing and solidarity between generations will be the main issue.

http://www.moh.gov.cy/moh/moh.nsf/index\_en/index\_en?OpenDocument

### **ESTONIA**

### The Estonian Patient Advocacy Association

Their conference will be held in hotel Europa (Paadi 5, Tallinn) on April 18 from 9.30am to 16pm. The aim of the conference is to find answers to the questions "how to develop our health care and social system in cooperation with different participants, reform the system which needs constant changes, what are the dreams of patients as well as our visions and plans for the future". More information will be published after the conference on their web page and in Facebook.

#### **ITALY**

### Cittadinanzattiva

More than 32 events on Patients' Rights and Active Ageing involvement in health policy in the hospitals, squares, markets to inform patients and citizens on their rights and to discuss with the local health authorities on the patients' involvement.

www.cittadinanzattiva.it

#### **SPAIN**

# SEAUS Sociedad Espanola de Atencion al usuario de la Sanidad

The 18 April they plan to have a "Jornada nacional" and another celebration we will held in October in Cataluña. More information on <a href="http://www.seaus.net/images/stories/pdf/jornadaseaus.pdf">http://www.seaus.net/images/stories/pdf/jornadaseaus.pdf</a>

#### **ROMANIA**

## **Asociaita Antiparkinson**

They have organized on the 5<sup>th</sup> of April an symposium with than 150 participants. The main subjects were Parkinson disease and, to celebrate the European Patients' Rights Day, the patients' rights for a better and deeper information on their diseases.

On the 18<sup>th</sup> we will held, at Hotel Wien + Art Theatre of Deva, several actions with large programs dedicated to Parkinson's patients, their families and professionals involved with these patients.

- The conference on Parkinson's disease "Do not leave them alone": an interactive discussions with medical staff in the county and the country, about the challenges they face in everyday life, new technologies and treatments.
- a painting exhibition in the foyer of the Theatre Arts hosted in Deva.
- a conference "On the Dignity" with Dan Puric, acclaimed actor and director.

http://www.parkinson.home.ro

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