

National Report

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Overview



1. New Minister of Health
2. ELGA – Electronic Health Record
3. Shortage of Doctors
4. Health Care Reform
5. Mother-and-Child Health Record Book

New Minister of Health



- **Dr. Sabine Oberhauser** (Social Democrats)
- **General practitioner and pediatricist**
- Vice-chairwoman of **parliamentary health committee**
- Vice-president of Austrian **federation of trade unions**

ELGA – Electronic Health Record



- **Electronic sharing** of e-prescriptions, hospital reports, diagnostic findings, etc.
- In hospitals from end of 2015
- **Opt-Out** regulation
- Austrian Medical Chamber calls for **Opt-In** solution and user-friendly search option

Shortage of Doctors (I)



- **GPs:** 45% over 55 years old
... in 3 years: 20% will retire
... in 15 years: 70% will retire
- **Specialists:** 64% over 55 years old
... in 15 years: 17% will retire

Shortage of Doctors (II)



- **Country doctors**
 - ... in 5 years: 25% will retire
 - ... in 10 years: 50% will retire
- **Doctors in training**
 - Long working hours
 - High administrative burden

- New **primary health care concept** entitled „The Team around the GP“
- „Medical and non-medical health and social professionals cooperate under the **medical leadership of the doctor** in the primary health care team.“
- Newly established primary care units or networks („**Best Points of Service**“)

Mother-and-Child Health Record Book



- **40th anniversary** of the „Mutter-Kind-Pass“
- Medical examinations carried out until the child's 5th birthday
- **Free of charge**
- Aim: Help **identify and cure illnesses and developmental disorders** in time
- Significant improvement of the pre- and postnatal situation

Thank you for your
attention!