

## **Resolution** of the **23rd** *international scientific - practical conference* **23rd BaltPharm Forum**

## THE PROBLEMS AND PERSPECTIVES OF PHARMACEUTICAL CARE PRACTICE IN BALTICS

23<sup>rd</sup> International scientific – practical conference 23<sup>rd</sup> BaltPharm Forum took place on April 21-23, 2023 in the Conference centre of Hotel Jūrmala SPA in Jomas street 47/49, Jūrmala, Latvia.

**The main organiser** of the event was the Pharmacists' Society of Latvia (LFB - *Latvijas Farmaceitu biedrība*).

The main goals of the 23<sup>rd</sup> BaltPharm Forum were:

- to discuss the competences and duties in the field of pharmaceutical care now and in the nearest future;
- > to discuss updates and changes in the existing legislative framework applicable in the pharmaceutical sector of the Baltic states;
- > to provide suggestions for changes in the existing legislative framework applicable in pharmaceutical sector;
- > to exchange experience on practical aspects of pharmaceutical care in the Baltic countries.

The topics of selected lectures were related to: digitalisation in the pharmacy (electronic cross-border prescriptions, telemedicine etc.); division of responsibilities in a pharmacy setting and the role of young pharmacy specialists, community pharmacy services across the Europe, modernization and future of hospital pharmacies; history of pharmacy and Baltic cultural heritage.

The 23<sup>rd</sup> BaltPharm Forum attracted **96** participants from **4** countries, and **15** institutions were represented.

6 oral lectures as well as 4 workshops of various topics were held.

**4** student posters were presented in plenary sessions with abstracts published in the website: <a href="https://www.farmaceitubiedriba.lv/uploads/files/iesniegtie\_abstrakti\_vietnei.pdf">https://www.farmaceitubiedriba.lv/uploads/files/iesniegtie\_abstrakti\_vietnei.pdf</a> and <a href="https://www.farmaceutical.lv/uploads/files/iesniegtie\_abstrakti\_vietnei.pdf">Lithuanian Pharmaceutical News Issue No 1-2 (273-274) 2023.</a>

## The main conclusions of the 23rd BALTPHARM FORUM:

- 1. The role of the pharmacist in the public health system and in the prevention and treatment of chronic diseases should be increased. The pharmacist must work in a team of healthcare professionals.
- 2. It is very important to provide pharmaceutical care services to all citizens in the same quality, both in cities and in the countryside.
- 3. The legal framework should support the work organization in the pharmacy, which ensures professional, independent decision-making for the pharmaceutical specialist mainly focusing on the personal needs of patient.
- 4. The BaltPharm Forum tradition of meeting annually will be continued. 24<sup>th</sup> BaltPharm Forum will be held in 2024.

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