

# Heart Failure Awareness Days 2019

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### **Heart Failure Awareness Week - 2019**



### - Agenda of the Activities

Kosovo Society of Cardiology organized for the 3<sup>rd</sup> time **Heart Failure Awareness Week**, from **6**<sup>th</sup> **to 11**<sup>th</sup> **of May 2019** 

The main objective were the activities to promote a healthy heart, with the theme "Do your part, know your heart!", with engagement of people from:

- different age groups; from young children to old people,
- different ethnic groups that live in Kosovo,
- different social status,
- different health care status, and
- different professions.

... to break the barriers between people and doctors through activities in the field ... to create certain reports for easier access to health care for general population and for marginalized groups and specific groups that live in Kosovo





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### HEART FAILURE AWARENESS WEEK 6<sup>TH</sup> MAY-12<sup>TH</sup> MAY-KOSOVO

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AGENDA OF ACTIVITIES

6<sup>TH</sup> of May 11:00- Opening Ceremony in the Telemedicine Centre of Kosovo 14:00- Visit to the Retirement House to promote a healthy heart to old people living there

10:00- SOS-Kinderdorf, promoting a healthy heart to SOS families. Closing the avtivity together with children by releasing red balloons in the air.

7th of May

8th of May 10:00- Lectures about heart in the elementary school "Faik Konica" and paintings with the theme "Love your Heart!" 14:00- Visiting communities Roma, Ashkali, Egyptians in the center of The Ideas Partnership in Fushe Kosova

9<sup>th</sup> of May 11:30- Climbing of Via Ferrata in Peja 10th of May 10:00- Activities in the filed in the "Zahir Pajaziti" square of Prishtina- near people and people's needs

11<sup>th</sup> of May 10:00- Cycling for a healthier heart Closing the activities





#### **Heart Failure Awareness Week – 6th of May 2019**

#### - Teleconference Lectures





The Opening ceremony of HF awareness week, was held in the Telemedicine Center of Kosovo.

Lectures: Professor Gani Bajraktari, President of KSC

- Introduction and epidemiology of heart failure

**Dr. Artan Ahmeti, PhD**, lecturer at Medical Faculty,

- Update in the treatment of heart failure

**Dr. Merita Shehu, MD**, representative of Accessible Quality Healthcare

- The importance of quality control in heart failure.







### **Heart Failure Awareness Week – 6th of May 2019**







KSC shared the knowledge and listened their concerns regarding Heart Failure with one of the groups that deserve the utmost respect from society, the elderly in the Retirement House.

Activity performed the group of young doctors, medical students.
A tote bag with messages for healthy heart and apples inside.



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## Heart Failure Awareness Week – 7<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 - SOS Kinderdorf in Prishtina







Our activities continued with the youngest generation, the youth of our nation, the children of SOS Kinderdorf.

Firstly, we held a meeting with SOS mothers and SOS aunts who are responsible for providing a family to SOS children. We shared our advices and performed basic medical measurements as blood pressure and glycaemia.



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### **Heart Failure Awareness Week – 7th of May 2019**

#### - SOS Kinderdorf in Prishtina



We met children of SOS, shared knowledge for Heart, and after that together we released in the air Red Balloons as a symbol for HF awareness week.

NOTE: Because of the policy that ought to be respected, we are not allowed to take pictures of the faces of the children





#### Heart Failure Awareness Week – 8<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 "Know your heart": Talking for Heart & Painting Heart





Discussion for healthy heart: Elementary school "Faik Konica", in Prishtina

In honor of this week, 7 little artists painted pictures with the theme: "Know your Heart"

**Lecturers:** 

Dr. Ibadete Bytyci & Dr. Jehona Krasniqi







## Heart Failure Awareness Week – 8<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 Talking with Ethnic Minority Communities: RAE





Visit to "The Ideas Partnership" Center in Fushë Kosovë, which deal with Ethnic Minority Communities who live in Kosovo; Roma, Ashkali and Egyptians (RAE).

We met with people from these communities and provided for them basic measurements and consulting, as well as heard their concerns.

NOTE: Because of the policies that NGO has, we are not allowed to take pictures of the people of communities.



#### Heart Failure Awareness Week – 9<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 Climbing in Via Ferrata, Rugova Mountains in Peja





Climbing of Cardiologists in Via Ferrata.

Adrenaline, amazement and promotion for physical activities and a beautiful view of Rugova Mountains in Peja.

Do your part, know your heart! With physical activities for a healthy heart!



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**Advices & Check-Up in the city Centre...** 





Near people, near to those in need...

**Heart Sculpture of KSC with messages for Heart...** 

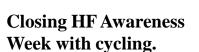




# Heart Failure Awareness Week – 11<sup>th</sup> of May 2019 Cycling in Gërmia National Park







"For every kilometer cycling, you lower the risk for HF".

On two wheels for a healthy heart!



# Heart Failure Awareness Week 2019 Media Coverage





The HF awareness week was also promoted through RadioKosova 1 & RadioKosova 2, the largest radio channels in the country, in their morning programs.

Professor Gani Bajraktari and Dr.
Jehona Krasniqi for one hour
described every activity that
would take place during the week
and gave advices for heart failure
prevention to general population







# Heart Failure Awareness Week 2019 Social Media Coverage





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aktiviteteve të Javës së Ndërgjegjës...

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The activities were promoted in Social Media:
Facebook, Twitter and LinkedIn by KSC, AQH, SOS-Kinderdorf, The Ideas Partnership, young Doctors followed by messages to deliver to the population virtually.









#### **Heart Failure Awareness Week 2019**











- Printed leaflets with advices for heart failure prevention

 Tote bags with messages for healthy heart

- Posters
- T-shirts
- Flag
- **Heart Sculpture**





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# Heart Failure Awareness Week 2019 Acknowledgments



#### We thank for the support and cooperation to:

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- Accessible Quality Healthcare
- Telemedicine Center of Kosovo
- SOS-Kinderdorf
- House of the Elderly
- The Ideas Partnership
- Elementary School "Faik Konica"
- Cycling Club of Prishtina
- Adventure Trips Kosova
- Young Doctors, Nurses and Medical Students





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"Do your part, Know you Heart"!



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