

**Dear colleagues,**

This year, in Croatia, in Dalmatia region and Split, we organized Heart failure awareness days in cities and villages.

On 7<sup>th</sup> May, a day of town Split (patron saint Duje), we organized "open door" for heart failure patients, in Clinical Hospital Split during morning, and in the center of town during afternoon. The Center was crowded after Covid years.

We were involved in radio and television shows and newspaper articles about heart failure topics and postcovid complications ("postcovid syndrome").

The program is always supported by colleagues from epidemiology field, nurses, students of medicine, young cardiology specialists and residents.

As summary, our goal is to

-have an open hours in Hospital, Institute of health, out-patients clinics, throughout the region, not only during awareness week, but all month and year,

-offer the measurements of risk factors as blood pressure, glucose, lipids, BMI,..

-inform our patients about disease and prevention,

-inform radio, television, press and web-sites in advance about activities and during the event,

-organize a debates with heart failure specialists and specialists in cardiovascular prevention and rehabilitation,

-prepare material about heart failure for patients, families and healthy population,.

Ee would like to involve HF patients groups in our work, especially in the field of prevention, as our HF nurse team.

The best regards from University Hospital Split

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