Methodological remarks, concepts, definitions

The scope of health services is included in the Act LXXXIII of 1997 on the benefits of the compulsory health insurance and the Government Order 217/1997 (XII.1.) regulating the implementation of this act.

This chapter presents the data of those concluded financing contract.

Financing contract: is concluded between the financing institute (NHIFA, Regional Offices of the National Health Insurance Fund) and the service provider for health service.

To define the indicators regarding financed services (per services, station), we count their average number per month.

Chapter 7.1. to 7.8. are containing date of service providers which concluded financing contract with NHIFA relating to the performance of the period from 1 January to 31 December.

As of May 1, 2012 the institutions completing tasks of inpatient special care or inpatient and related outpatient special care, which tasks were carried out in the frame of the public health service belonging to the responsibility of the local government, are state-owned. The Act XXXVIII of 2012 disposed of the above.

Outpatient specialty care

Source of data: the data of outpatient consultations and special outpatients' department and from 2000 the monthly performance data on microbiological analysis carried out by the consulting places providing occupational health care service as well as Policy Administration Services of Public Health of the County (Capital City Budapest) Government Offices (up to 2011 regional institutions of National Public Health Medical Officer's Service) as the part of outpatient specialty care and forwarded to the National Health Insurance Fund Administration. From 2002 the figures include the performance data of specialty care of care centers and practice laboratories. From november 2011 data contains all data of care centers and practice laboratories.

The annual data include the corrections made until the end of the year modifying the respective month.

The accounting of performance of January 2004 fell into a new performance volume limited (framework) financing scheme of outpatient specialty care [In section 27 of Government Decree No. 43/1999 (III. 3.) on detailed regulations of health care services financed by the Health Insurance Fund].

Outpatients' specialty department: outpatient specialty care managed by hospital, special hospital where a service unit provides special outpatient care working within the organization of hospital, special hospital but is separated from that in definite consultant hours.

Care in care center: From 1 november 2011 treatments and services provided in care centers are reported and financed in the same finance system as services of outpatient specialty care.

Number of cases: one case is the appearance of the patient at the consultation within a calendar day regardless of the number of services provided for him/her.

In case of laboratories or other health care services that analyse samples one case is the examination of one sample.

Number of interventions: number of services provided for the patient during one appearance.