

To
the Honourable
Mr Spyridon - Adonis Georgiadis
Minister of Health

Cc.: Mr D. Kontos, President of EOPYY
Prof. I. Tountas, President of EOF
Mrs M. Skouroliakou, Vice President of EOF

Chalandri, August 20, 2013

Subject: “Compensation of the cost of new pharmaceutical products distributed through emergency import by EOF/IFET”

Dear Minister,

Further to the issue of the new Prices Bulletin and in relation to the **new medicines offered through the procedure of emergency import by EOF/IFET which were priced in the recent Prices Bulletin**, we would like to point out the following:

- These medicines have been approved and their cost is compensated through the relevant Committees of EOPYY, **for the purposes of protecting Public Health.**
- Any interruption of their disposal to the patients would potentially cause a huge problem to their treatment **and consequently the fight against their disease.**

For the reasons stated above, **we propose the continuance of compensation of the cost of the specific medicines by EOPYY and the other insurance funds with the procedures applied until this day, until they are officially included in the Positive List**, as set out by the Ministerial Decision for the Prescribed Medicines Positive List (No ΔΥΓ3(α)/οικ.104744, Gov. Gazette B’ 2912, October 30, 2012, article 1, par. 7).

In any case, it is important to **promptly activate the Special Committee for the Preparation of prescribed pharmaceutical products** in order to examine the inclusion of new medicines in the Positive List.

We kindly thank you in advance for your attention and your prompt intervention as regards this serious issue and we remain at your disposal for any further information or clarification.

Yours sincerely,

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