

To  
the Honourable  
Mr Dimitrios Lintzeris  
President of EOF

Cc.: Mrs M. Skouroliaou, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President of EOF  
Mrs Ch. Papanikolaou, General Secretary of Public Health  
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Mrs E. Sotiropoulou, Secretary of the Scientific Committee for Approval of  
Conferences of EOF

Chalandri, October 18, 2013

**Subject: Honoraria to the NHS Physicians**

Dear Mr Lintzeris,

Further to the letter dated 2/10/2013 (*attached*) of the General Secretary of Public Health Mrs Christina Papanikolaou titled "Re-communication of the of the EOF's circular for scientific events (Protocol Number 64740/1.09.2013" we would like to caution you on the following.

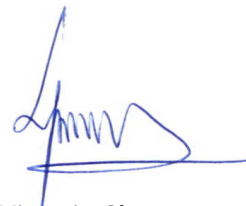
By virtue of the above letter, the Ministry of Health absolutely clarifies the correct interpretation of article 11 of Law 2889/2001, pointing out that the **remuneration of NHS Physicians is permitted**, through the special YPE accounts (ELKEA), from pharmaceutical companies, **both in relation to clinical trials, and to honoraria** for their participation as spokesmen, chairmen of meetings or trainers in Scientific events type A, B, C and D. In this context, the General Secretary of Public Health **requests the republication of the circular by means of a "correct repetition if the disputed point "K" is deleted.**

Following the above and taking into account the discomfort that has emerged for the medical society and for the pharmaceutical companies as well, we kindly request that EOF implements the above letter of the Ministry of Health and approves the participation of the NHS physicians in scientific events, in accordance with the above provisions, until the amendment of EOF's circular, which will clearly set out the said issue.

Yours sincerely,



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