In the last 10 years, The Psychiatric Association of Bosnia-Herzegovina (PABH) established active connections with other associations and institutions involved in mental health and took important role in co-organization of all psychiatric events in our country. In 2018, PABH has planned to be involved in 3 national collaborative activities.

International Symposium 15th Mostar's Psychiatric Saturday was held in Hotel “Mostar” (City of Mostar, Bosnia and Herzegovina), on June 9th 2018, under the topic “Communication in medicine: word as a cure”. Great interest for the topic attracted more than 120 participants from all over Bosnia and Herzegovina to attend dynamic scientific sessions provided by 12 speakers from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Croatia, and have inspired many attendees to constructive discussions about this very intriguing and important topic for our work and better treatment of our patients. The lecturers presented different approaches to communication in medicine and psychiatry including new communication tools and technologies. The Symposium was organized by the Dept. of Psychiatry (School of Medicine Mostar) in collaboration with the PABH, Dept. of Psychiatry (University Clinic Mostar) and College of Health Sciences (University of Mostar).

The First Symposium of Child and Adolescent Psychiatry in Bosnia and Herzegovina took the place in Hotel “Tuzla” (City of Tuzla, Bosnia and Herzegovina) and was another collaborative activity of the PABH with Association for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry in Bosnia and Herzegovina, supported by World Vision, Clinic for Psychiatry (University Clinical Center Tuzla), and under the patronage of the European Society for Child and Adolescent Psychiatry and Academy for Science and Art of Bosnia and Herzegovina. More than 100 mental health professionals from our country participated on July 7th, 2018 to discuss with lecturers from Bosnia and Herzegovina and Switzerland about important topic “Neglecting and other problems of children and youth in modern societies: psychical consequences”.

The Symposium aimed to provide discussions about humanistic and individualized approaches to children and young people from the aspects of psychological and psychiatric consequences of the traumatisation caused by neglecting as a part of modern society and emphasize importance of early detection and interventions by child and adolescent psychiatrists, jointly with other professions to prevent severe illnesses.

Next collaborative activity of our Association will be with Society for Biological Psychiatry/Psychopharmacology in Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina in traditional co-organization of the 12th Symposium of Biological Psychiatry/Psychopharmacology (Sarajevo, 27th October 2018).

All important psychiatric associations in our country will be involved as supporting associations in organization of next annual meeting of the PABH, 16th Psychiatric Days of Bosnia and Herzegovina (Banja Luka, 21st – 23rd September), as a major international event in the country. Our meeting will be held as WPA Co-sponsored event and under the EPA patronage, as a part of active collaboration with those major psychiatric associations in the world.

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