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MULTIDISCIPLINARY JOINT COMMITTEE ON RARE AND UNDIAGNOSED DISEASES

ERN Coordinators Group "Knowledge generation: Training, education, capacity building; guidelines development" Specific tasks group

Dear Colleagues,

On behalf of the Multidisciplinary Joint Committee on Rare and Undiagnosed Diseases (MJC RUD) of the European Union of Medical Specialists (UEMS) we congratulate to your continuous efforts lead to the successful launch of the European Reference Network (ERN) system. We believe, that this is a real milestone in the rare disease management in Europe.

As you may know, the main goals of the UEMS, the oldest and biggest medical society in Europe, includes the harmonization of the training. The UEMS, via the EACCME, the ratified accreditation body for training programs like on-site courses, e-learning events, or conferences, plays a central role in the continuing medical education (CME) in Europe.

The MJC RUD is a recently formed working group of the UEMS. The primary goal of it is to implement the UEMS general and specific goals for the rare disease fields, to make a knowledge based bridge between the different medical sections of the UEMS, representing basic pillars of the European medical specialist training.

All of the 24 ERNs have education working groups. We propose establishment a long-term partnership between us, therefore we would appreciate if you could joint to this ERN-MJC RUD Partnering initiative. Please inform us if your ERN is open is development of education resources, including education and training modules, programs, or e-learning modules that you are aware of.

Yours sincerely,

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