**Infektološko društvo Hrvatske udruge medicinskih sestara**

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Infektološko društvo HUMS-a osnovano je 1969. godine, a prva predsjednica društva bila je Smiljka Nell. Kroz rad infektološke sekcije ( kako se tada zvala )sestra Smiljka Nell je mnogo učinila na edukaciji i unapređenju sestrinstva, pogovo na organizaciji rada infektoloških odjela cijele Hrvatske. „Klinika za infektivne bolesti je pod njenim stručnim vodstvom slovila kao najbolja bolnica u njezi bolesnika u Zagrebu.“ to je citat iz povijesnog izvješća škole za sestre Mlinarska.

Cilj Infektološkog društva je edukacija medicinskih sestara kroz organiziranje raznih tečajeva, simpozija i kongresa. Suradnja sa ostalim društvima HUMS-a na nacionalnoj razini, te suradnja sa regionalnim i međunarodnim društvima srodnog karaktera i na taj način ujediniti zdravstvenu skrb, istraživanje i edukaciju o infektivnim bolestima.

U novije vrijeme edukacija je usmjerena na pružanju zdravstvene skrbi bolesnicima oboljelim od AIDS-a, kako u liječenju tako i njegovanju i zbrinjavanju iste, te edukacija novopojavljujućih karantenskih bolesti s vrlo lakim prijenosom pa je edukacija usmjerena na mjere zaštite u striktnoj izolaciji s osvrtom na specifičnosti zdravstvene njege.

Infektološko društvo nastoji svoje članove poticati na obrazovanje i omogućiti im cjeloživotno učenje, a samim time i osigurati zadovoljstvo pacijenta te pružanje bolje skrbi u sigurnom okruženju.

**Infectious diseases society of the Croatian nurses association**

Infectious Diseases Society of the Croatian Nurses Association was founded in 1969 and the first president of the Society was Smiljka Nell. While working for the Section for Infectious Diseases, as the Society was then called, nurse Smiljka Nell contributed greatly to education and advancement of nursing, especially organization of infectious disease departments throughout Croatia. “The University Hospital for Infectious Diseases, under her expert guidance as the head nurse, was known as the best hospital in patient care in Zagreb.” as was written down in the historical reports of Mlinarska School of Nursing.

The aim of the Infectious Diseases Society is education of medical nurses by organizing various courses, symposia and congresses as well as cooperation with other societies of CNA at the national level, and other related regional and international societies in order to expand the knowledge on health care, research and education on infectious diseases.

In recent years, the education has focused on health care to AIDS patients, both in providing adequate treatment as well as nursing care, and education on new emerging highly contagious quarantine diseases focusing on protection measures and characteristics of health care in strict isolation.

The Infectious Diseases Society seeks to support, promote and facilitate academic training and lifelong learning among its members thus ensuring patient satisfaction and better health conditions in safe environment.