1st National HTA Forum in Ukraine: new opportunities and future directions

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Ukraine has started its way on HTA implementation. As part of the new development direction, 1st National HTA Forum was held in Kyiv on February 28, 2019. Forum was organized by the Ministry of Health of Ukraine (MOH) with support of USAID's SAFEMed project. About 130 representatives of state authorities, scientific and educational institutions, patients organizations and industry participated in the discussion on forming the HTA roadmap in Ukraine. ISPOR Ukraine Chapter took part in this critically important event and was represented by prof. *Roman Ilyk*, PhD, DSci, Deputy Minister, MOH; *Oresta Piniazhko*, PhD, President of ISPOR Ukraine Chapter; prof. *Olha Zaliska*, PhD, DSci, Founder&Past President of ISPOR Ukraine Chapter; prof. *Oleksandra Oleshchuk*, PhD, DSci, Head of Expert Committee, MOH; *Oksana Vashchenko*, PhD, Secretary of ISPOR Ukraine Chapter, associate professor; *Oleksandr Topachevskyi*, Member of Expert Committee, MOH, managing director of Digital Health Outcomes; *Inna Irynchyna*, PhD, associate professor.

The speakers were international experts, ISPOR members: prof. Rabia Kahveci, Dr Krzysztof Landa, Dr Laura Sampietro-Colom.

During the Forum a new HTA Department was introduced to the public. We are proud that Oresta Piniazhko, President of ISPOR Ukraine Chapter, was appointed to the position of Director of the HTA Department in Ukraine. Among the tasks facing the HTA Department are the development of HTA national roadmap, HTA submissions for effective resource allocation for health technologies. Based on this information, MOH will make decisions on public procurement of expensive and innovative medicines, inclusion on the National essential medicines list, reimbursement programs.

