

National activities and Membership

Health psychologists in Slovakia have possibility to be organized by The Health Psychology section within Slovak Psychological Association of the Slovak Academy of Science.

Promotion of the EHPS on the national level

Information about the EHPS in general and about the 26th EHPS conference to be held in Prague, Czech Republic in 2012 was disseminated. Additionally, special presentation was prepared for the participants of the national meeting of the Health Psychology Section during Health Psychology conference in June 2012 in Bratislava. Participants were encouraged to become members of EHPS, to attend EHPS conference and to participate in the CREATE and SYNERGY workshops.

Participation on national conferences and seminars

Annual national Health Psychology conference was organized in Bratislava on 14th of June with the attendance of approximately 50 participants working on the field on Health Psychology. Next national Health Psychology conference is planned for Kosice, May 2013.

Participation on international conferences and seminars

Slovakia was represented on 25th EHPS conference in Crete, Greece by 2 oral and 16 poster presentations.

Research projects

Slovakia is a part of international Health Behaviour in School-aged Children study carried out in cooperation WHO and Regional Office of Public Health. In May 2012 on a press conference held by Department of Health Psychology, Institute of Public Health at Medical Faculty of PJ Safarik University in Kosice "2009/2010 International Report: Social determinants of health and well-being among young people" was presented to the media.

Education and training

Health Psychology is not recognized as a specialization in Slovakia. A systematic review of education in the field of Health Psychology is lacking. With high probability, however, relevant content might be found in the courses of many study programs.