

Short Biography Katerina Venovska, MD, MsPH, Family Medicine Specialist

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Dr. Venovska is qualified program manager and coordinator able to stimulate “strategic thinking”, to motivate and to facilitate constructive involvement of all parties combining both theoretical knowledge and practical experience. She has knowledge and experience in performing high quality Strategic Health Program Planning, Monitoring and Evaluation activities focusing especially on the Primary Health Care and has a considerable experience in carrying out in depth Health Situation Analysis and producing of workable recommendations and guidelines on future program directions, incorporating international policies and standards, tailored to local needs.

Dr. Venovska possesses skills in financial program design, management and evaluation, ensuring cost effective use of resources and efficient public information and communication strategies.

From 1996 till 2004 in the role of Health & Nutrition and Early Childhood Programme assistant, Dr. Venovska supported the implementation of UNICEF country programme in Macedonia, and on behalf of UNICEF Geneva acted as an International BFHI Consultant and Assessor of Baby Friendly Hospitals.

In the period from 2004 till mid 2011, in the role of a Health Policy Coordinator on behalf of the Ministry of Health of Macedonia, Ms Venovska was responsible for the management, administration and implementation of the Health Sector Management Project (HSMP), financed by a World Bank Loan. Main duties encountered overall support to the health reform implementation in Macedonia, development of a long-term National Health Strategy and implementation plan by year 2020, public health strategy and reorganization of function, organization and financing of public health services including development of a new public health law. She supported several activities aiming to improve quality of health services and upgrading of licensing system for health professionals, development of Clinical Guideline and, Public Information-Communication strategy, formulation and implementation of Primary Health Care (PHC) strategy and Family Medicine implementation, as well as the development of pharmaceutical policy and legislation harmonized with EU requirements.

Dr. Venovska acted as a Family Medicine implementation coordinator on behalf of the Ministry of Health and since 2011 is supporting the work and research activities of the Family Medicine Center, Medical Faculty Skopje.

She got an international awarded Diploma for Substantial contribution to the development activities of the Association of Doctors in General Practice/Family Medicine in South-East Europe (at the Congress held in Bulgaria, Plovdiv)