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### **SUBJECT: FIRST CALL TO THE 9TH SYMPOSIUM OF PHARMACISTS OF FEDERATION OF BOSNIA AND HERZEGOVINA**

Dear Colleagues,

We hereby inform you that the Steering Board of the Chamber of Pharmacists of the Federation of Bosnia and Herzegovina, at its session held on 29 September 2017, made a Decision on organising 9th Symposium of Pharmacists in Sarajevo, Hotels Hills, Ilidža, from 17 to 19 November 2017 (Friday-Sunday). The topic of the Symposium is „Influence of Food and Supplements to the Results of Drug Therapy“.

Chronic conditions are the greatest burden to health systems of the developed and developing countries. Inappropriate nutrition and lifestyle are important risk factors that may be modified, while nutrition and supplementation tailored to the needs of an individual may improve results of a therapy and enhance health as well as physical and mental fitness.

Pharmacists are healthcare professionals and as a part of healthcare system they should be engaged with the activities aimed at preservation and improvement of health through, among other things, providing counselling to their patients about appropriate nutrition and use of dietetic supplements. At the same time, pharmacists have interdisciplinary education and as such they should be part of scientific research, development, and formulation of supplements and special food categories aimed at the improvement of physiological functions and the quality of their patients' lives.

Finally, pharmacists are healthcare professionals who are the most competent to conduct the activities of inspecting the production, quality, and identification of dietetic supplements, as



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well as post-marketing monitoring of such products. They are also the most competent professionals for drafting legal regulations for dietetic supplements.

In practice, however, these pharmacists' competencies are rarely recognised. The task of our profession is to intensify promotion and continued development of competencies with the aim of presenting pharmacists as important, or even leading professionals in this area.

We hope that you will attend the Symposium and this contribute to our objective through discussions, exchange of opinions and experience related to this topic.

**The participation at the Symposium will be evaluated by the Chamber of Pharmacists of FBiH in accordance with the current Rulebook.**