



## PRESS RELEASE

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### **Hellenic Hospital Association: We continue to provide services to patients insured by the National Organization for Healthcare Provision (EOPYY) until the 19th of December**

Following the meeting with the Health Minister, Mr. Makis Vouridis and the President of EOPYY, and after the explicit assurances that EOPYY's debt for April and the overdue debts (excluding I.K.A. debts) will be paid off until Friday, 19 December, HHA (SEK) decided to continue providing services to patients insured by the EOPYY.

This decision comes as a gesture of good trust based on the hope that this time the State will keep its promises.

#### SEK (HELLENIC HOSPITAL ASSOCIATION)

The Hellenic Hospital Association represents the largest private clinics which offer high-end healthcare services throughout the country. The members of SEK are among the largest employers in Greece and among the biggest contributors to the Greek economy, and are actively supporting the needs of the state healthcare system.

#### THE PRIVATE HEALTHCARE SECTOR IN GREECE

The private sector employs more than 25,000 workers, maintains more than 30,000 job positions through indirect collaborations and invests in the viable growth of new infrastructures, new medical protocols and new technologies. Covering 39% of the country's healthcare services, the private healthcare sector is averting the "brain drain" that's been plaguing our country during these times; by keeping valuable scientists here, it contributes significantly to the country's GDP and it is making Greece a destination for medical tourism. It supplements the public healthcare sector, but also performs hi-tech operations and medical procedures that the state is unable to provide, thus fulfilling a pivotal role in ensuring public health in Greece.

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