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Infectious diseases and family medicine in the era of migrating populations

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Background & Aim: Management of infections in Family Medicine is always a challenge for the physician. Suspicion, identification, proper diagnostic tests and treatment may affect not only the patient who seeks medical help but also the community, since Family Medicine has to deal very often with communicable diseases, zoonoses, migrating populations and reemerging infectious diseases.

Method: in this workshop presenters from two countries that during the past years have encountered a major refugee crisis, Turkey and Greece will focus on common infectious diseases that physicians may deal in Family Medicine. The workshop will present real patient scenarios on malaria, tularemia, tuberculosis, cutaneous leishmaniasis, brucellosis and hemorrhagic fevers. The patient's histories, clinical findings, diagnostic approaches, treatment modalities and subsequent surveillance in the community will be presented step by step and a discussion with the participants in the form of decision making will take place for every case.

Results: Aim of the workshop is to familiarize the participants with infectious diseases that are becoming more and more common in Family Medicine and to understand the diagnostic procedures and treatment strategies available. The interaction with the presenters on the management of the patients is the major goal of the workshop. In order to become acquainted with the particular features each of the aforementioned infectious diseases the workshop will focus on the rationale of approach to diagnosis and treatment as well as any potential pitfalls in the management of the affected individuals and organization of surveillance in the community that occurred in the course of each case presented.