



Expatriate Ostomates of Spain (EOS)

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OSTOMIZADOS EXTRANJEROS DE ESPAÑA
UNA ASOCIACIÓN SIN ÁNIMO DE LUCRO

Consultants in ostomy matters to the AECC (Alicante)



COUNTRY REPORT - SPAIN

Number of Members

Approx 200 All types of ostomies; ostomates and carers.

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Organisation Structure

The President (who must be an ostomist) is elected by the AGM to serve for a two year term.

The President is assisted by the Junta Directiva (Committee) comprising a Secretary and a Treasurer and a maximum of six committee members elected by the AGM for one-year terms. Representatives of the branches of the Association are automatically additional members of the Junta. There is no limit to the re-election of members in whatever office.

There is constitutional provision for regional administration and for branches but these are not required at this time. Where possible, local groupings of members are organised for social purposes and to foster mutual support. Membership is free.

Health insurance in Spain

The Social Security system is a comprehensive national scheme but administered by the autonomous regions which introduce some regional variations. All workers contribute and receive free health service through provincial hospitals and municipal clinics. Prescriptions for all pharmaceutical requirements (including ostomy equipment) are free to retirees but with a nominal charge to others.

Expatriates benefit according to the agreements with their respective home countries. Private health insurance is readily available but expensive as always. Generally medical care services are of high quality but post-operative care may be inadequate.

The EOS Mission Statement

"EOS is an independent non-profit-making national association registered in Madrid, based in Jávea. We currently comprise 6 nationalities. We are dedicated to the support of all ostomists in Spain, resident and visitors, but with our focus on the expatriates in view of the particular problems they face."

The EOS logo

