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**European Council of Enterostomal Therapy– 23 – 26 Iunie,
Roma**

The objectives of the ASPIIR Association are focused both on supporting patients with stoma and chronic inflammatory digestive diseases. Accepting and accommodating with living with a stoma are often situations in which patients require support, correct information, psychological support - and therefore we are interested to find put news about the development of stomatherapy and information about the new stoma devices. In this context, as well as a representative of the European Ostomy Association, I attended the 2019 European Council of Enterostomal Therapy in Rome:

<https://aspiir.ro/en/consiliul-european/>

**Patients Forum in Timisoara/children with IBD, Emergency
Clinical Hospital for Children “Louis Turcanu” 28 June**

At the ASPIIR Patients' Forum in Timisoara on June 28th , two ASPIIR representatives (a stomaterapeut and me) went to Timisoara for a first meeting with children with chronic digestive diseases, their parents and gastroenterologists in Pediatrics Emergency Clinical Hospital “Louis Turcanu ” Timisoara

<https://aspiir.ro/en/forum-timisoara-28-iunie/>

**28th – 30th June 2019, „Making the invisible visible” –
Timisoara / Dubova**

Although with some delay, we have managed to celebrate IBD Day 2019 together with Timisoara patients and specialists through a different kind of project - one week-end trip with the group of adult patients, children patients, gastroenterologists, nurses,

accompanying by the mothers of the small patients; a program of workshops and actions dedicated to the patients with inflammatory chronic digestive diseases or ostomates, raising the awareness of the role of doctor-patient relationship, overcoming psychological barriers.

<https://aspiir.ro/en/dubova/>

Special place for patients with IBD and stoma at the Fundeni Clinical Institute, Bucharest

The project of setting up a room for ostomates and IBD patients (for information, counseling, printed or video educational materials, plasma screenings, psychological support, etc.) is an initiative of the Dedicated Center to IBD Patients from I.C.Fundeni and ASPIIR and it has started to catch outline in the beginning of this year.

Until now, we have completed the renovation of the room (painted, plastered, construction / installation of sanitary group, electric circuit) with the support of Ortoprofil and Egis. The project is underway and we want to continue the next stages (endowments, furniture, logistics, functioning), depending on the partners involved with CDPBII I.C.Fundeni and ASPIIR.

Brochure with patients testimonials No.2

We began in June preparing a new brochure with patients' testimonials. We have been gathering stories from patients form Bucharest and across the country that will be found in a material that we plan to edit in September.

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