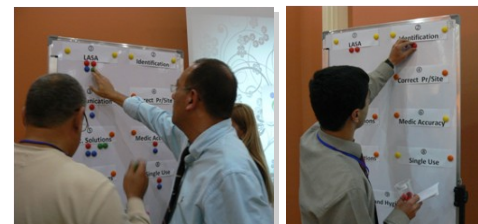


Regional working meeting of Caucasian countries



The Regional meeting of the Caucasian countries in frames of the International Initiative "Eastern European and Asian Organizations for Patient Safety" was held on 3-5 October in Tbilisi, Georgia. The meeting was hosted by the Georgian Alliance for Patient Safety, chairperson George Gegelashvili and attended by the representatives of Azerbaijan, Armenia and also general coordinator of the Initiative, regional coordinators of Central-East European and Balkan Regions. The participants were welcomed by Alexander Kvitashvili, the Minister of Labor, Health and Social Affairs of Georgia, diplomatic representatives of Azerbaijan and Armenia to Georgia. The meeting focused on patient safety and rights, safety culture, data sources for patient safety and medication safety. In order to promote prioritization and dissemination a special session was devoted to the international patient safety solutions. Presentations and discussion were followed by the voting to identify priority areas for the nearest activities in the Caucasian countries. According to the voting results the solutions were distributed as follows: →



VOTING RESULTS

- 1 – *Improved Hand Hygiene to Prevent Health Care-Associated Infections* (9 votes)
- 2 – *Single Use of Injection Devices* (5 votes)
- 3, 4 – *Look-Alike, Sound-Alike Medication Names and Control of Concentrated Electrolyte Solutions* (4 votes each)
- 5 - *Communication During Patient Hand-Over* (3 votes)
- 6 - *Assuring Medication Accuracy at Transitions in Care* (2 votes).



Finally it was suggested to continue similar type votings on other regional meetings. Georgian Alliance agreed to provide technical support.



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