

Memorandum of Cooperation within the Framework of the Project "Pirogov First Volunteer Mobile Hospital"

City of Kyiv

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The Ministry of Health of Ukraine (hereinafter referred to as MoH) represented by the Minister of Health of Ukraine, Oleksandr Kvitashvili, the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine (hereinafter, MoD) represented by the Minister of Defense of Ukraine, Gen. Stepan Poltorak, the General Staff of the Armed Forces of Ukraine (hereinafter, GSoAF) represented by the Chief of the General Staff / Commander of the Armed Forces of Ukraine, Gen. Viktor Muzhenko, and the Charitable Foundation "Pirogov First Volunteer Mobile Hospital" (hereinafter, PFVMH Foundation) represented by President Gennadiy Druzenko,

- Considering the positive cooperation experience under the project "Pirogov First Volunteer Mobile Hospital" (hereinafter, PFVMH project) and the results of the project's work in areas of the Anti-Terrorist Operation (hereinafter, ATO) in 2014-2015;
- Taking into account the provisions of the Memorandum between the Ministry of Defense of Ukraine and the All-Ukrainian Charitable Organization "Council for Protection of Patient Rights and Safety" on interaction within the framework of the project "Pirogov First Volunteer Mobile Hospital"; and
- Whereas on Aug. 5, 2015, the PFVMH Foundation was registered, which has taken over all the PFVMH project management and implementation functions from the ACO "Council for Protection of Patient Rights and Safety,"

The parties deem expedient to continue the operation of the PFVMH project in 2016 and have concluded this Memorandum on the following:

1. The parties shall cooperate under the PFVMH project, which aims at involving civilian medics and auxiliary personnel in provision of diagnoses, preventive observations and medical care to servicemen, law enforcement officers and civilians residing or doing their service in ATO areas as well as other regions of Ukraine.
2. The PFVMH project shall act with the status of a mobile disaster medicine party in compliance with effective legislation.
3. The PFVMH, within available human and material resources, shall organize provision of quality and free medical services to servicemen, law enforcement officers and civilians.
4. The MoH, within the framework of effective legislation of Ukraine and in compliance with the Regulations on the MoH, shall:
 - Issue necessary orders to ensure implementation of this Memorandum;
 - At a request from the PFVMH Foundation leadership, organize sending medical workers on a mission to fulfill the PFVMH tasks, as defined in section 1 above, provided the said medical workers have executed a voluntary written statement of will thereon;
 - Post information on the cooperation under the PFVMH project on the official web site of the MoH;
 - Assist persons who, as PFVMH members, have provided medical care to servicemen of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in ATO areas in acquiring the status of war veterans;
 - Moved by the PFVMH Foundation leadership, recommend medical and other personnel of the PFVMH for state rewards and award them with honors of the MoH;
 - Facilitate PFVMH Foundation contacts with international and donor organizations operating in the area of health care;

- Define a person responsible for operative communication between the MoH and the PFVMH Foundation.
5. The MoD, within the framework of effective legislation of Ukraine and in compliance with the Regulations on the MoD, shall:
- Apply to the PFVMH Foundation with requests for use of the PFVMH to diagnose and provide medical care to servicemen of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in ATO areas and the locations of military units' permanent posting;
 - Post information on the cooperation under the PFVMH project on the official web site of the MoD;
 - Assist persons who, as PFVMH members, have provided medical care to servicemen of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in ATO areas in acquiring the status of war veterans;
 - Moved by the PFVMH Foundation leadership, award medical and other personnel of the PFVMH with honors of the MoD;
 - Define a person responsible for operative communication between the MoD and the PFVMH Foundation.
6. The GSoAF, within the framework of effective legislation of Ukraine and in compliance with the Regulations on the GSoAF, shall:
- Ensure direct interaction of the Armed Forces' command bodies, formations, units, institutions and organizations with the PFVMH;
 - Inform the Anti-Terrorist Center of the Security Service of Ukraine (ATC of SSU) on the cooperation of the Armed Forces of Ukraine and the PFVMH in ATO areas;
 - Move the ATC of SSU with a request to ensure unimpeded access of the PFVMH medical and auxiliary personnel to ATO areas;
 - Assist persons who, as PFVMH members, have provided medical care to servicemen of the Armed Forces of Ukraine in ATO areas in acquiring the status of war veterans;
 - Define a person responsible for operative communication between the GSoAF and the PFVMH Foundation.
7. The PFVMH Foundation shall ensure the efficient functioning of the PFVMH, in particular:
- Enroll personnel and form staff of the PFVMH of high-skilled medical and non-medical workers;
 - Raise money and other resources required to provide the PFVMH with necessary modules, medicines, motor vehicles and medical and auxiliary equipment;
 - Procure and supply medicines and non-medical consumables and disposables;
 - Ensure information support for activities of the PFVMH;
 - Coordinate PFVMH activities with the MoD Military Medical Department, the Armed Forces of Ukraine Central Military Medical Administration and the MoH.

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