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CORRUPTION IN MEDICINE IN UKRAINE. SOME WAYS TO OVERCOME

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“The enemy №1 is corruption. This is the stone of which all good plans and reforms stumbles” [1]

Nowadays the corruption in Ukraine becomes the stumbling block for the development of Ukrainian economy. It traced in all sphere of vital activity of Ukrainians. According to PROVID researching the most corrupted sphere of vital activity is medicine (82%) at one level with politics (82%). So, it's really important to overcome this problem.

To start with, we need to know why do people give a bribe to doctors. The answer is that people tend to believe that brine is oil and it makes your deals move. And if you don't oil the wheels, your deals will not move. [1] Also very often patients compensate a low salary of medical staff and they perceive it like a payment without a receipt, around 60% of patients that they give the brine on they own initiative and this is the main problem, because officially medicine in Ukraine is free.

It is obviously, that we have a question how to overcome this problem. Ukraine's Parliament has made steps to combat the very system they are a part of. These include the creation of the National Anti-Corruption Bureau and the adoption of anti-corruption legislation.[2] But, in our point of view, these steps don't suit for medicine. We think that new medical reform in the basic of which changing the medicine system in Ukraine from free to insurance medicine (such system is common in lots of country) will be a great hit to corruption in medicine, because patients will pay for doctors legally and this also will stimulate doctors to get better education, because they salary will depend from the number of patients.

To sum up, we want to emphasize that success of this reform depends from the Ukrainians and they readiness for changes.

1. Irina Bekeshkina “Three scenarios for the development of the situation in Ukraine in 2018
2. Forbes. Kenneth Rapoza “Corruption Is Killing Ukraine's Economy”

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