

Report to the EOA congress in Lviv 5-8 May 2011

Organization: "Astom-Ukraine", Ukraine

Number of members: 2000

Number of employers: 0

Appliance-situation: very bad (expensive, low income of ostomates)

Type of reimbursement: none

- The first organization of ostomy patients "Astom-Lviv" was founded by Dr. Yuriy Lozynskyy in Lviv in 1997.
- Charity fund "Association ILCO" was founded by Dr. Yuriy Lozynskyy.
- 19th of March **2004** - the first Ukrainian Ostomy patients' Congress in Lviv. It was decided to found the All-Ukrainian Association of ostomates.
- **2005** - The All-Ukrainian Association "Astom-Ukraine" was founded.
- Now it includes 19 regional branches and over **2000** ostomates.
- "**Deutsch ILCO**" (pres. Dr. Gerhard Englert) is the main partner and sponsor for "Astom-Ukraine". "**Active help for Ukraine**" (Munich) cooperates with "Deutsch ILCO"- transports the humanitarian aid to Ukraine. Great thanksü!
- **2006** "Astom-Ukraine" becomes a full member of EOA (11 -**th** Congress EOA in Portugal)
- **2007** "Astom-Ukraine" becomes a full member of IOA (12- th Congress IOA in Puerto Rico)
- **2007** "Astom-Ukraine" joined to the "Confederation of organizations of disabled persons".
- 24-25 of October **2007** Meeting Conference "The good future of Ukrainian ostomates".
- 16ⁿ of May **2008** - the second Ostomy patients' Congress in Lviv. The main aim - is to get governmental support with providing ostomy patients with free stoma care products.
- 2007-2010 takes part in different workshops, sport competitions. organized by Confederation.
- 2009 takes part in the Coloplast contest, dedicated to WOD'2009.
- 6th of October 2010 - Protest action of ostomates near Ministry of Public Health.
- 5-8 of May 2011 host the 13th EOA congress.

The future: **The main aim is to achieve the state support in supply of stoma appliances.**

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