



## **GENERAL REMARKS AND RECOMMENDATIONS**

**FOR E- LEARNING IN „SOCIAL MEDICINE“**

### **FOR STUDENTS AT MU - PLEVEN (FOR SELF-TRAINING)**

**Dear colleagues,**

The on-line module on Social medicine is designed to provide the basics on the topics within the synopsis supporting your self-preparation.

The subject field of social medicine is complex and dynamic. The on-line module does not aim to be exhaustive but rather to build the foundation of understanding of public health on undergraduate level. To achieve this “modest” goal, however, students need to gain knowledge on the scope, main methods, current trends of public health, principles of organization and functioning of health systems, and the role of international collaboration. You will gain competence on public health issues to enable your future realization of your professional role as physician with responsibilities towards both your individual patient and the society.

The module presents contemporary views and strategies of WHO on health systems development. Alongside with the theoretical background many examples, practical assignments, test samples and additional readings are provided. They facilitate the understanding of basic concepts and stimulate the learning process.

I recommend that you combine the on-line materials with the information in the textbook “Social medicine. Basic course”. You can first familiarize with the theoretical background in the lecture and then move on to the corresponding practical.

Some additional readings are available within the additional materials part of the module. They provide up-grading information and they are optional for those of you, who have deeper interest in the subject.

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Students have to pass three tests in the first semester: test on Sociology., test on Epidemiology and test morbidity. The tests will be re-scheduled in consideration to the face-to-face teaching time by the end of the semester or alternative form of one combined test will be applied at the end of the semester. Currently, you have access to sample test questions at the end of each practical.

Wishing you success in preparation and excellent final result.

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