

Costa Rica 2011 Report to the LMHI

After our participation in the LMHI Congress, Warsaw 2009, we continued to work for the integration of homeopathy into the social security system.

In 1994, the dialogue on the subject of homeopathy began with various social security administrators of our country. This has allowed us to inform about the progress of homeopathy in the field of healthcare, scientific research and the political level in the world.

In 1997 the Social Security Board of Costa Rica (Caja Costarricense de Seguro Social) (CCSS), appointed a special commission to evaluate homeopathy as an alternative to the institution. This committee worked for nine months and had the privilege of receiving the contributions of Madeleine Bastide and Jennifer Jacobs' knowledge.

During 2000 to 2007, a homeopathic teaching program for physicians and other health professionals, was held in San José, under the auspices of COOPESALUD R.L.- Clínica de Pavas, a cooperative health clinic, and the Colegio de Médicos y Cirujanos- Costa Rican Board of Physicians and Surgeons. This program served again to promote the ideas and the possibilities of homeopathy closer to Social Security.

On October 6, 2011, the Costa Rican Center of Biological and Integrative Medicine at the Hospital Clínica Bíblica, in San José, which is the oldest private hospital in the country, was inaugurated through the coordination of Fanny Rojas, a cardiologist and homeopath. The new center has specialists who provide homeopathic medical consultation. This is an important news because this hospital in 2010 was included among the 10 best hospitals in Latin America.

On October 2011, there was a participation in a nationwide video conference, organized by the CCSS, in celebration of the 70th anniversary of its founding. The theme was "Homeopathy and Social Security in Costa Rica, 1994-2011. Dialogue and Actions".

During the month of November 2011, we started again to work together with colleagues from San José, on a preliminary pilot project on homeopathic concomitant treatment at first level of social security health care.

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