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***AKKREDITATION REPORT ON THE
SHAARE ZEDEK MEDICAL CENTER (Jerusalem),
E. WOLFSON MEDICAL CENTER (Holon),
and
HILLEL-YAFFE MEDICAL CENTER (Hadera)
as medical training sites in Israel for Hungarian medical education***

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The visiting team, composed in accordance with the regulations set down in **HAC Resolution 2010/10/VI** and under consideration of the accreditation criteria set down in said resolution, has conducted a site visit to the training sites. In the visit, the team inspected those wards that conduct medical care in the areas in which sixth-year students receive training: *internal medicine; surgery; neurology; psychiatry; obstetrics and gynecology; and pediatrics*. The training program was discussed with the heads of the wards as well as the head of the hospital.

In the course of the evaluation the visiting team considered the HAC accreditation requirements as well as the following:

- a.) Is the evaluated institution an accredited teaching hospital for a medical university in Israel? If yes, which university?
- b.) How many physicians in the reviewed departments have faculty positions at a medical school in Israel?
- c.) How many weeks does the evaluated ward or department spend with training of medical students? (How many groups conduct the training and in how many rotations, how much free capacity do they have?)
- d.) The results of student feedbacks.
- e.) The patient-bed capacity of the evaluated ward or department and the capacity of surgeries and other service facilities.

I.

Shaare Zedek Medical Center (Jerusalem, Israel)	Accreditation decision
	HAC RESOLUTION 2015/7/VIII/1 A (accredited) On condition that the accreditation criteria continue to be met throughout, the accreditation of the hospital training site is granted until September 25, 2020 Over one third of the hospital units have been accredited, therefore the hospital is granted the title of Accredited Teaching Hospital .

Compliance with the accreditation requirements:

1. *Shaare Zedek Medical Center* is an **accredited training center in Israel**, which participates regularly in the education of medical students. About 35% of its physicians are also on the medical staff of *Hebrew University*; some of them are professors and department chairs of the university. It is worth noting that Hebrew University offers medical education in English, and the hospital is involved in the training as well.
2. Shaare Zedek Medical Center, more specifically the departments being the subjects of this review, **filled out the accreditation questionnaire**, on the basis of which it can be said that this is an institution with a **large number of patients** and where **highly qualified physicians conduct medical practice**. The details, regarding number of beds, physicians, etc., can be found in the filled-out questionnaires. Based on the accreditation questionnaires the following hospital wards are in compliance with the HAC criteria: *internal medicine; surgery; obstetrics and gynecology and pediatrics*.
The accreditation questionnaire already showed what the site visit corroborated, that the hospital does not have a separate neurological and psychiatric units and there are no such inpatients. Neurological and psychiatric cases are dealt with on a consultation basis, whereby the physicians from these divisions provide consultations to inpatients in other departments as needed. As a professor of neurology with international experience, Professor Bereczki, the chair of the visiting team, considers the consultation-based neurological and psychiatric care as sufficient and has seen such practice in several other places, including in Great Britain. The distinct advantage of such type care is that students are exposed to a large number of patients and become thoroughly familiar with the neurological disorders linked to the primary illnesses. The objective conditions for the consultation-based training are present, which the visiting can corroborate from the site visit. On this basis, Shaare Zedek Medical Center is qualified for training in neurology and psychiatry.
3. In the interviews with the heads of the hospital wards it became evident that they, and the physicians under their charge, are **regularly involved in medical student training** and that the hospital has its **own resident-training program** in which the heads of the six, main clinical subjects participate.
The HAC was also able to conclude that the heads of the wards are **physicians who are renowned in Israel** and therefore the quality of the training cannot be questioned. **Each ward or department has over three specialists** as well.
4. In the six fields mentioned above the academic requirements and list of competences required for the diploma have been agreed on with the heads of the institutes and the HAC concurs that the **hospital is able to ensure the fulfillment of the requirements set down** in the documents.
5. For the examination of the infrastructure of the training the expert team visiting the sites reviewed not just the wards but also the diagnostic departments of the hospital in detail. The facilities in the hospital wards are high-grade, the variety and volume of diagnostic equipment is excellent, especially so in the area of interventional radiology, where the team had the opportunity to observe treatment. During the site-visit, the visiting team had an unexpected experience. Within the children's department there is a mini zoo with animals with similar diseases as the children have, where the children are able to become familiar with their own diseases through the animals and can observe the effectiveness of treatment on another creature. E.g. animals with juvenile diabetes are given insulin, appropriate diet, blood sugar measurement, etc.
6. During the site visit, the team was able to speak with students who had studied in Hungary but were now studying in Israel and who had trained at Shaare Zedek Medical Center either earlier for their medical studies or were doing their training at this time. All of them expressed praise for the dedication

with which the hospital staff conducted teaching. They noted especially that an administrator is assigned to work out the students' work schedule and that students may do overnight duty for which they receive additional pay while they consider it a good opportunity to advance their skills. The visiting team inquired in how far the absence of neurological and psychiatric departments affects their preparedness for examinations. All of them emphasized that although that there are fewer neurological and psychiatric cases, careful planning allows them to fully benefit from the time they have for training.

7. Based on the site visit, accreditation may be granted to the following units at *Shaare Zedek Medical Center*:
- a. **internal medicine**
 - b. **surgery**
 - c. **neurology**
 - d. **psychiatry**
 - e. **obstetrics and gynecology**
 - f. **pediatrics**

The requirement that **at least one third of the departments should be accredited** is fulfilled, the institution is awarded the title of *accredited teaching hospital*.

II.

E. Wolfson Medical Center (Holon, Israel)	Accreditation decision
	HAC RESOLUTION 2015/7/VIII/1 A (accredited) On condition that the accreditation criteria continue to be met throughout, the accreditation of the hospital training site is granted until September 25, 2020 Over one third of the hospital units have been accredited, therefore the hospital is granted the title of Accredited Teaching Hospital .

Compliance with the accreditation requirements:

1. *Wolfson Medical Center* is an **accredited training center in Israel**, which participates in the education of medical students, about 40% of its physicians are affiliated with the *Tel Aviv University's* medical school. It is of note that Tel Aviv University conducts medical training on the postgraduate level also in English and the hospital takes part in this program, too.
2. *Wolfson Medical Center*, more specifically the departments being the subjects of this review, **filled out the accreditation questionnaire**, on the basis of which it becomes clear that this is an **institution with a large number of patients** and where **highly qualified physicians conduct medical practice**. The details, regarding number of beds, physicians, etc., can be found in the filled-out questionnaires. Based on the accreditation questionnaires the following hospital wards are in compliance with the HAC criteria: *internal medicine; surgery; neurology; obstetrics and gynecology; and pediatrics*. Psychiatry, which is also part of sixth-year training, cannot be conducted at the *Wolfson Medical Center*. For this reason, it was necessary to look for a training site that is easily reached and is affiliated with *Wolfson Medical Center*. Suitable for psychiatry is the nearby *Abarbanel Mental Health Center* (Bat Yam, Izrael), which is accredited in Israel. Professor Melamed, head of *Abarbanel*, is also an accredited teacher at *Tel Aviv University* and a acknowledged professor of psychiatry there.
3. In the interviews with the heads of the hospital wards it became evident that they, and the physicians under their charge, are **regularly involved in medical student training** and that the **hospital has its own resident-training program** in which the heads of the five main clinical subjects participate. The HAC was also able to conclude that the heads of the wards are **physicians who are renowned in Israel** and therefore the quality of the training cannot be questioned. Each ward or department has **over three specialists** as well.
4. In the six fields mentioned above the academic requirements and list of competences required for the diploma have been agreed on with the heads of the institutes, including the teachers at *Abarbanel Mental*

Health Center. The HAC concurs that the **hospital is able to ensure the fulfillment of the requirements** set down in the documents.

5. To scrutinize the training infrastructure the expert team visiting the sites reviewed not just the wards but also the diagnostic departments of the hospital in detail. The facilities in the hospital wards are high-grade, the variety and volume of diagnostic equipment is excellent. Of special note is that the hospital has laboratories allowing for serious basic research and they have achieved notable results in the area of in vitro fertilization, and have separate research laboratories to uncover the genetic causes of diseases.
6. During the site visit, the team was able to speak with students who had studied in Hungary but were now studying in Israel and who had trained at Wolfson Medical Center either earlier for their medical studies or were doing their training at this time. All of them expressed praise for the high-level of teaching. They noted that students may do overnight duty for which they receive additional pay while they consider it a good opportunity to advance their skills.
7. Based on the site visit, accreditation may be granted to the following units at *Wolfson Medical Center*:
 - a. **internal medicine**
 - b. **surgery**
 - c. **neurology**
 - d. **obstetrics and gynecology**
 - e. **pediatrics**

For psychiatric training, Abarbanel Mental Health Center is the accredited training site.

The requirement that **at least one third of the departments should be accredited** is fulfilled, therefore E. Wolfson Medical Center is awarded the title of *accredited teaching hospital*.

III.

Hillel-Yaffe Medical Center (Hadera, Israel)	Accreditation decision
	HAC RESOLUTION 2015/7/VIII/1 A (accredited) On condition that the accreditation criteria continue to be met throughout, the accreditation of the hospital training site is granted until September 25, 2020 Over one third of the hospital units have been accredited, therefore the hospital is granted the title of Accredited Teaching Hospital .

Compliance with the accreditation requirements:

1. *Hillel-Yaffe Medical Center* is an **accredited training center in Israel**, which participates in the education of medical students. About 40 physicians of the Center are also on the *Rapaport Faculty of Medicine, Technion University*. It should be noted that Technion University conducts medical training also in English and the hospital participates in this program.
2. Hillel-Yaffe Medical Center, more specifically the departments being the subjects of this review, **filled out the accreditation questionnaire**, on the basis of which it becomes clear that this is an **institution with a large number of patients** and where **highly qualified physicians conduct medical practice**. The details, regarding number of beds, physicians, etc., can be found in the filled-out questionnaires. Based on the accreditation questionnaires the following hospital wards are in compliance with the HAC criteria: *internal medicine; surgery; neurology; obstetrics and gynecology; and pediatrics*. Psychiatry, which is also part of sixth-year training, cannot be conducted at the Hillel-Yaffe Medical Center. For this reason, it was necessary to look for a training site that is easily reachable for the students and has experience in teaching medical students. Suitable for psychiatry is the nearby *Shaar Menashe Psychiatric Hospital* (near Pardes Hanna-Karkur), which is accredited in Israel.
3. In the interviews with the heads of the hospital wards it became evident that they, and the physicians under their charge, are **regularly involved in medical student training** and that the **hospital has its own resident-training program** in which the heads of the six main clinical subjects, including the physicians from Shaar Menashe Psychiatric Hospital, participate. The HAC was also able to conclude

that the heads of the wards are **physicians who are renowned in Israel** and therefore the quality of the training cannot be questioned. Each ward or department has **over three specialists** as well.

4. In the six fields mentioned above the academic requirements and list of competences required for the diploma have been agreed on with the heads of the institutes. The HAC concurs that the **hospital is able to ensure the fulfillment of the requirements** set down in the documents.
5. For the examination of the infrastructure of the training the expert team visiting the sites reviewed not just the wards but also the diagnostic departments of the hospital in detail. The facilities in the hospital wards are high-grade, the variety and volume of diagnostic equipment is excellent. It is worth noting that due to its geographic location, Hillel-Yaffe Medical Center is Israel's largest hospital specializing in traffic accidents. In addition, it is an important military trauma center. While the visiting team was there, a military helicopter rescue exercise was going on.
6. During the site visit, the visiting team was able to meet an alumnus who had recently finished his education in Debrecen and currently works as a doctor at Hillel-Yaffe Medical Center. He said that his positive experiences during the training led him to choose the hospital as his place of employment. Similar to the other training sites the team visited, the students here also have the possibility to do overnight duty for extra pay, while taking advantage of the opportunity to advance their professional skills. It is a specialty of the hospital to train students in small groups, to which they devote considerable energy. Each department has a separate room for students with excellent facilities and audio-video equipment that allows them to prepare presentations and work for seminars.
7. Based on the site visit, accreditation may be granted to the following units at *Hillel-Yaffe Medical Center*:
 - a. **internal medicine**
 - b. **surgery**
 - c. **neurology**
 - d. **obstetrics and gynecology**
 - e. **pediatrics**

For psychiatric training, Shaar Menashe Psychiatric Hospital is the accredited training site.

The requirement that **at least one third of the departments should be accredited** is fulfilled, therefore *Hillel-Yaffe Medical Center* is awarded the title of *accredited teaching hospital*.