ICCCPO REGIONAL COOPERATION
Childhood Cancer Parent Organizations from former YUGOSLAVIA

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EUROPE – BALKAN REGION
1991 - 1997

Cemeteries

Missing people

Refugees

Destroyed cities
LATER...
2001 - Sarajevo
Bosnia&Herzegovina

2003 - ICCCPO AGA
Ireland

2002 – Skopje
Macedonia
2004 – 15th February in Belgrade
1 - ICCCPO Regional Conference

2005 - Belgrade, Serbia
2 - ICCCPO Regional Conference

2006- Split, Croatia
3 - ICCCPO Regional Conference

2007 - Sarajevo, B&H
4 - ICCCPO Regional Conference

2009 - Skopje, Macedonia
5 - ICCCPO Regional Conference

2010- Ljubljana, Slovenia
6 - ICCCPO Regional Conference

2012- Belgrade, Serbia
Yearly: 1000 children get cancer and 250 die
We are in Europe, but far from EU standards of treatment & care
Different level of education in Primary Health Care
No Childhood Cancer Registry – except Slovenia
Clinical trials – what we know & we should know?
We do not all have access to the modern medicines and diagnostic procedures
Small market – no financial interest
The people are tired of the sad theme
Illness is a shame and cancer is taboo
Communication - the biggest challenge on all levels
Over 70% children survive
Mostly the treatment for children (up to 18) is covered by the government
Children are treated according to protocols
Almost all main physicians are SIOP members and have had training abroad
Specific treatment is available abroad and is covered by National Health Insurance
Pediatric Oncology Departments are supported by local Parent groups
Thanks to the Parents Organizations and individuals, public awareness is at a higher level
RESULTS

- 1992 - 3 parent groups
- 2012 - 20 parent groups
- Regional web site  www.kids-cancer.info
- Regional camps in Croatia and Bosnia&Herzegovina
- Regional survivors network
- ICCD - joint activities and participation in regional TV shows
- Regional representatives in PPAC

Sharing & distributing:
- “Parent House” – model of the project and knowhow
- printed information about malignant diseases
- translated cartoon
- Facebook & Twitter information
ICCCPO, THANK YOU!
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