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## ANNOUNCEMENT

### Meeting of the HIFM directors, Dr. Sasho Stefanovski and Orhan Ramadani with the Association of parents of children with endocrine disorders "Rast (Growth)"



The directors of the Health Insurance Fund of Macedonia, Dr. Sasho Stefanovski and Orhan Ramadani, held a working meeting with Aleksandar Petrovski, president of the Association of parents of children with endocrine disorders RAST.

Options for improving the health status of this group of patients, the cooperation with other relevant institutions, the condition and status of the supply of growth hormone and its distribution were discussed at this meeting.

The president of the Association "Rast" informed on the newest activities undertaken by the Association, and the planned events for the future, and also expressed its gratitude for the selfless support of the Fund, which resulted in ensuring funds for adequate therapy for these children, through the earmarked or condition-based budget for targeted treatment of these children at the Children's Clinic. For six years in a row, the Fund ensures that these children receive their timely therapy for healthy and normal development.

The president of the Association Rast, Aleksandar Petrov, said the after establishing the Association Rast in 2007, they have been receiving the utmost support from the Health Insurance Fund of Macedonia, and this is one of the greatest incentives for their efforts, since all children are entitled to healthy growth.

Early detection is extremely important, since growth is not only mere centimeters, growth is an indicator of the overall health. Hence, it is important for all stakeholders from the healthcare, but also the education and all other segments of the society to be aware of the need for early detection of any growth disorder.