



together for our health care system

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L.C.M.-A.N.M.C

Federation Christian Mutual Associations

- *Largest social movement in Belgium, started in the middle of 19th century (rich history of precedents in all Europe)*
- *Developed from local mutual associations into a national federation*
- *Important actor in the development of the social security and health insurance in Belgium*
- *Is a non-profit association (statute of mutual association) with 4,5 million members (45 % of population), 5.000 staff members and thousands of volunteers*



Role of the Christian Mutualities (CM)

- *Organisation of health-care insurance*
- *Social movement with members*
- *Partner in negotiations about social-security*
- *Organisator of complementary services, volunteersmovement, health prévention,...*



- **SOCIAL MOVEMENT**

- *With local volunteers (organised in federations)
(example: Midden-Vlaanderen has about 750 volunteers who are working in local and regional groups)*
- *With external organisations, schools, youth movement...*



Some examples

- ***Minimum for long term ill persons***
- *petition via meetings, public actions : information of public*
- *200.000 signatures : results on politic level*



Generic medicins

- *A few years ago :*
 - *Information meetings*
 - *Public actions*

 - *Increased knowledge among the public*
 - *Talking to doctors*
 - *Local meetings with doctors and pharmacists*
 - *Increasing part in the pharmaceutical industry*



local support for long term ill persons

- *Together with Ziekenzorg, CM partnerorganisation*
- *Meetings with local authorities about installation of a local support for home care people*
- *Result: increasing from 67 tot 75 % of the municipalities*



meetings with organisations of poor people

- *Improve accessibility: third payment system*
- *Information about rights*
- *Result: improve third pay system....*



actions for health prevention

- *'CM fit' action*
- *Mental health*
- *Overweight*



hospitalisation

- *Information about invoices*
- *Negotiations with hospitals*
- *Negotiations with government (supplements)*