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ICD-X is the main classification used for coding of diseases in Croatian health care system. It is used in primary care and also secondary and tertiary care. ICD-X codes must be on prescriptions and refferals, and also are used for epidemiology statistics . That is the reason why ICPC hardly finds it's place in Croatia.

Ministry of health and National Institute for Health Insurance (NIHI) 2012. presented a new model for primary care. Inside this new model are new rules for registering the data in primary care. One third of monthly income of GPs is now pay for performance according to the registered data about procedures done. NIHI has made a special new list of all procedures that can be done in primary care according to which the payment is made. There are 9 licenced vendors in Croatian primary care and all of them have concepts of episodes of care although it is doubtfull do GPs use it properly.

At the same time ICPC is still used for collecting the data for investigations.

Medical students and family medicine trainees get basic informations about ICPC during education at University.

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