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Association of clinical psychologists of the Czech Republic
(Asociace klinických psychologů České republiky – AKP ČR)

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The Association was founded in 1991 and presents a professional, voluntary and self-governing organisation with legal personality. It also presents a civic professional association of clinical psychologists and psychologists included in the special preparation in the branch of clinical psychology.

AKP ČR is active in the Czech Republic, with its office in Prague – Ke Karlovu 2, 128 00 Praha 2.

The main aims of the association:

- Defend and protect professional interests of clinical psychologists associated in AKP ČR, from both state and private health sectors
- Represents the interests of clinical psychologists through the representatives recruited from the members at the negotiations with the Ministry of Health of the Czech Republic, at the negotiating proceedings with health insurance companies, it participates in accreditation and competitive hiring procedures
- To strive for preserving the status of a clinical psychologist as an independent member of the medical personnel
- It participates in creating the concept of the clinical psychology profession, maintains contacts with professional activities, adopts attitudes to the problems of the profession
- In connection with the legislation, it takes care of the professional and ethical standards of clinical psychologists through a system of their continuous education in compliance with Act No. 96/2004 Sb. It organises, guarantees, records, and provides positive statements to the individual professional educational activities of clinical psychologists in compliance with Regulation No. 423/2004 Sb.

The rights and obligations of the members are described in the statutes, which are composed of the organisational order, voting order, process order, ethical code, and process order of ethical committee.

Ethical code

- is obligatory for all the members of AKP ČR
- serves to protect the client against harm caused by unsuitably used psychological methods
- is the base for solving questionable issues arising in the relationship of a clinical psychologist and a client, or a clinical psychologist and another professional
- is formed by the paragraphs – §1 – general principles, §2 – clinical psychologist and the performance of the profession, §3 – clinical psychologist and the client, §4 – relationships between clinical psychologists and other professionals

The organs of the associations are

Presidium – is formed by at least 4 members elected by the General meeting and the heads of the individual branches of AKP ČR.

Presidium AKP ČR votes among its members – president, vice-president, secretary, and treasurer

General meeting, Professional advisory board, Revision committee, ethical committee, and regional branches

The Association is composed of 9 regional offices; the activities of all the offices are co-ordinated by the Presidium of AKP ČR.



In Bohemia, there are the following branches:

- Prague
- Northern, Southern, Western, and Eastern Bohemia

In Moravia and Silesia, there are the following branches:

- Branch of Southern Moravia
- Branches Olomouc, Zlín, and Ostrava

Each branch has its own legal subjectivity and the members of each branch elect its council. The council elect among themselves – head, deputy head, secretary, and treasurer

At present, the Association has 545 members and 11 honorary members. Membership in AKP ČR is regular, extraordinary, and honorary.

Honorary members in alphabetical order:

PhDr. Blanka Bouchalová †
Doc. PhDr. Václav Břicháček, CSc.
PhDr. Hana Junová
Prof. PhDr. Stanislav Kratochvíl, CSc.
Prof. PhDr. Josef Langmeier, CSc. †
PhDr. Jiří Mrkvička †
Prof. PhDr. Zdeněk Matějček, CSc. †
Prof. PhDr. Mojmír Svoboda, CSc.
Doc. PhDr. Jan Srnec, CSc.
PhDr. Hana Šírká
Prof. PhDr. Jan Vymětal, CSc.

Information on the activities of AKP ČR may be obtained through:

- official web-pages – www.akpcr.cz
- Bulletin of ČMPS
- regular meetings of the individual branches

AKP ČR cooperates with the Bohemian-Moravian Society of Psychologists (ČMPS).