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DEN RÄTTSLIGA OCH MEDICINSKA SITUATIONEN FÖR PATIENTER MED ME (MYALGIC ENCEPHALOMYELITIS) OCH CFS (CHRONIC FATIGUE SYNDROME), PÅ SVENSKA KRONISKT TRÖTTHETSSYNDROM.

WHO kodade ME som en neurologisk sjukdom redan 1969. I vissa länder kallas ME för CFS, i Sverige kallas sjukdomen Kroniskt trötthetssyndrom.

1993 gjordes tillägget CFS till ICD-10, men "fatigue"- eller den "trötthets"-baserade definitionen i CFS orsakar fortfarande förvirring och stora problem för de sjuka, vilket också påpekades av Androulla VASSILIOU, tidigare europeisk hälsokommissionär.

ME kan komma i utbrott. Ett beskrevs för första gången 1934. Experter jämför ME med cancer och de senare stadierna av AIDS vad gäller livskvalitet och lidande.

Därför ber vi om följande:

- att man respekterar WHO:s kod för ME/CFS, ICD-10 G93.3, som en neurologisk sjukdom och ser till att medlemsländerna tillämpar koden i sina sjukvårdssystem;
- att man respekterar de ME-sjukas rättigheter – inklusive barnens – i alla medlemsländerna;
- att man som diagnostiseringskriterier för ME tillämpar *Canadian Consensus Criteria* från 2011, och *International Consensus Criteria* som håller på att fastställas;
- att man uppmuntrar utvecklingen av biomedicinsk forskning.

Cirka 1.200.000 mycket sjuka ME-patienter i Europa väntar på att parlamentet skall erkänna WHO:s ICD-10-kod G93.3

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For an objective view of the establishment intrigue surrounding ME we recommend:

Magical Medicine: How to Make a Disease Disappear by Professor Malcolm Hooper [www.investinme.org/Article400%20Magical%20Medicine.htm]

Professor Hooper has made a formal complaint to the Minister of State responsible for the Medical Research Council.