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Snezana Bosnjak, MD, PhD, Research Professor is a physician working in the Supportive Oncology & Oncology intensive care unit at the Institute for Oncology and Radiology of Serbia. Dr. Bosnjak is devoted to integration of palliative & supportive care into comprehensive care of cancer patients. She has been actively involved in educational activities in palliative care; in efforts to improve the availability, accessibility and affordability of opioid analgesics and other drugs essential for PC; efforts to improve policy relevant to PC, palliative care research and in attempts to introduce the philosophy of palliative and supportive care into Serbia. Dr Bosnjak completed her specialization in clinical pharmacology, with expertise in the pharmacotherapy of symptoms of malignant disease and toxicities induced by anticancer treatment.

Dr. Bosnjak was a President, of PC Commission that wrote the National PC Strategy and its action plan (adopted 2009) and she also participated in the drafting of the National Program "Serbia Against Cancer" (2009) for the topic: Pain, Palliative Care and Supportive Care. Dr. Bosnjak is a National WHO Counterpart for Pain Treatment. She was awarded an International Pain Policy Fellowship directed by the Pain & Policy Studies Group (PPSG) (2006-2012). Prof Bosnjak was a member of the expert group that developed the WHO Policy Guidelines for Controlled Substances (2011). She was also a member of the Board of Directors of the MASCC (2007-2012). She is a leader of the International Palliative Care Leadership Development Initiative.

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