Latvia patient organisation funding

In 2021, two grants for patient organisations were approved by GSK. As the funding for both is being processed in 2022, the details of these grants will be disclosed in 2022.

**AGIHAS – Support Group for People Living with HIV/AIDS**

AGIHAS is a support group for those affected by HIV and AIDS. The organization was created in 1993, at the time the first HIV patients were diagnosed in Latvia. For more than 20 years we have been actively working to provide more opportunities for patients to live a more active and meaningful life after the diagnosis.

We have supported this group since 1997.

**In 2020:**

- GSK provided EUR. 6952 to support maintenance of webpages and an educational seminar.

Our support represented 16% of their overall income.

**In 2019:**

- GSK provided EUR. 9500 to support the STIGMA INDEX.

Our support represented 11.36% of their overall income.

**Association HIV.LV**

Association HIV.LV’s mission is to support the HIV+ population with maintaining a good quality of life, access to treatment and to reduce stigma.

We have supported this group since 2008.

**In 2020:**

- GSK provided EUR. 1833,07 for developing and maintaining a webpage.

Our support represented 19% of their overall income.

**In 2019:**
• GSK provided EUR. 728 to support training for the association.

Our support represented 8.57% of their overall income.

**Pulmonary Hypertension Association (PHA)**

The aim of the organisation is to improve quality of life of PH patients and to educate the public about the presence of pulmonary hypertension, and to raise the awareness of diagnostic possibilities, treatment and rehabilitation. To achieve this aim, PHA identifies patients with pulmonary hypertension in Latvia, helps them integrate into the community, and provides social help and rehabilitation.

We have supported this group since 2012.

**In 2020:**

• GSK provided EUR. 1000 for administrative costs and to support an educational seminar.

Our support represented 7% of their overall income.

**In 2019:**

• GSK provided EUR. 3846 for disease awareness activities around PH on digital channels and administrative costs.

Our support represented 9.95% of their overall income.

**Baltic HIV Association**

NGO Baltic HIV Association was established by specialists working in HIV and drug addiction in 2010. The NGO includes well-known specialists, former employees of UNODC (United Nations Office on Drugs and Crime), national AIDS center and researchers. Till now the NGO has been more focused on provision of expertise in HIV field by submitting recommendations to the Ministry of Health and other organizations. Its members are involved in several working groups established by the Ministry of Health and the organization has also signed the Cooperation Memorandum between Non-governmental Organizations and the Cabinet of Ministers.

We have supported this group since 2015.

**In 2020:**

• GSK provided EUR. 4000 to support HIV testing in Riga.

Our support represented 10% of their overall income.

**BACO – Baltic coalition for PLWHIV**

This start-up organization unifies Baltic Sea region NGOs, focusing their efforts towards lessening the spread of HIV infection and risks and stigma associated with it.
We have supported this group since 2019.

In 2019:

- GSK provided EUR 9100 to support the launch and operations of this start up organisation.

Our support represented 58.81% of their overall income.