During its 60 years of existence, following the health needs of the population within its field, the scientific thought and the world achievements in health practice, the PHI Psychiatric Hospital “Skopje” – Skopje has achieved spatial and staff development, transforming into the largest psychiatric hospital in the Republic with a capacity to provide healthcare services in all fields of psychiatry. The PHI Psychiatric Hospital “Skopje” – Skopje, is located on the left bank of the river Lepenec, in the vicinity of the mouth of the river Vardar, at a distance of 7 km from Skopje’s center. Within its activity, the hospital performs: specialist-consultative, daily-hospital and hospital healthcare, and health activity in the network of health institutions. In the specialist-consultative health care, examinations are performed for determination of the diseases, and the health status of the users of healthcare services with mental disorders, prevention and treatment of alcohol abuse, prevention and treatment of drug abuse and abuse of other psychoactive substances, specialized diagnostic, therapeutic and rehabilitation procedures are conducted, specialist opinions and proposals are prepared, treatment is provided for patients with pronounced judicial measure for compulsory treatment in a hospital and compulsory treatment from freedom, treatment is conducted of the geriatric population with mental health problems. The following activities are performed within the hospital healthcare: diagnosis, treatment, nutrition and constant specialist supervision, admission and care of people with mental disorders. Within its activity, teaching-educational works for higher education and scientific-research works for promotion of mental health are performed in the Hospital, as well as preparation and provision of expert findings and opinions from judicial-psychiatric aspect. As its activity, in the process of resocialization and rehabilitation of the patients, the hospital conducts therapeutic activities through the Department for Occupational Therapy. 

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The hospital with the stationary part covers an area of 50 ha. The total area of the facilities is 15,091 m². Within the hospital there are three centers for mental health: “Prolet”, “Centar” and “Vlae”, as well as the Center for Addictions “Kisela Voda” with two departments with daily hospitals within the facility “Kisela Voda” and one department with a daily hospital within the Clinical Center “Mother Theresa”, all with a total area of 2,805 m².
The hospital departments and the auxiliary units (kitchen, laundry, boiler room, etc.) are of pavilion type and with an average age of the building of 45 years. With the project of the Ministry of Health for Reconstruction and Renewal, which started in 2010, 2 hospital departments (Department of Acute Conditions in Psychiatry and a Department of Psychogeriatric Patients) are completely reconstructed according to high healthcare standards, and the construction and reconstruction of another 2 hospital departments is in the final stage, which are designed for patients with chronic psychiatric conditions who need long-term stay and therapeutic measures.

The PHI Psychiatric Hospital “Skopje” is a modern clinical hospital, which strives towards leadership in the application of a wide spectrum of modern preventive, diagnostic and therapeutic methods through achievements at the highest level of expertise and quality of the provided services in the field of mental health, zealously following the needs and requirements of the users. Following the business vision, the care of patients is in the center of attention, and all policies and activities are directed towards promotion of the quality of health services, modernization of the knowledge of the employees and the equipment and the conditions for stay and treatment of the patients.

The hospital is managed by a director. Starting from March 2014, an Acting Director of the hospital is Mr. Qamil Kovaçi, a Master of Economic Sciences. In the performance of his work, MA Kovaçi with the application of the methods of strategic management in the operation, directs the managerial activities towards application of strategies for maximum engagement of all resources for the purpose of improvement of the quality of treatment, the security and the patients’ satisfaction.

As a result of these efforts in the past year of 2016 a thorough reconstruction was performed of the busiest hospital department – the Department of Emergencies and the conditions for treatment and stay of patients are significantly improved; the central hospital kitchen is also completely reconstructed, wherewith the security and the quality of the prepared meals are improved, and a new EEG device is supplied, with an application for the neurofeedback method which implies renewal of the operation of the EEG Cabinet in the Center for Mental Health “Centar” and introduction of neurofeedback as a new therapeutic method. In accordance with the stipulated strategic goals, in the following period the activities will continue for further reconstruction and renewal of the hospital departments, the renewal of the medical equipment, the modernization of the information technology and the staff education, whereby the Hospital will respond to the modern trends of psychiatry and the needs of the population in the field of mental health.

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