GUESTHOUSE “HYGEIA”
Accommodation and support for families accompanying their hospitalized children in Athens
Zeuxis was founded in 2018

2018 Shelter for unaccompanied minor girls OIKOS
2019 Safe Area Leros
2020 Safe Area Kos
   Safe Zone Malakasa
2021 Shelter for unaccompanied minor boys FIVOS
   Transit Hub for UMC (Relocation)
   Guesthouse Hygeia

Member of the Register of Greek and Foreign NGOs of the Ministry for Migration and Asylum
Certification by the Ministry of Labor and Social Affairs for the provision of social care
The situation:

- Access of children to hospital treatment
- lack of various specialties in regional hospitals
- lack of money for transportation to Athens
- no accommodation in Athens
- interfacing with hospital services, doctors
- the care of siblings when parents are in the hospital
- stress and anxiety
The Guesthouse:
- can accommodate ten-twelve (10-12) people
- has a dining room, living room, a kitchen with all necessary household appliances and playroom for children
- has offices for staff and psychosocial sessions
- internet connection
GUESTHOUSE SERVICES

Social support (social worker):
Communication with hospitals, sessions, access to health care, escort to services

Psychological support (psychologist):
individual sessions

Educational and recreational activities for children (educator – caregivers)

Transportation: mini van

Interpretation
GUESTHOUSE MATERIAL SUPPORT

Personal hygiene items
Cleaning Products
Clothing when necessary
Diapers, baby milk
Medication
Public transport tickets/cards
Cash allowance
Some statistics:

16 minors in hospital (aged between 4 months old – 17 years old)
   9 male 7 female

18 minor siblings (aged between 1 to 17 years old)
   8 male 10 female

27 parents/guardians (aged between 23 to 50 years old)

Length of stay depending on the condition:
From 5 days (eg for medical exams) to 5 months (for serious brain tumor surgery and recovery)
Cooperations and synergies:

Social services of hospitals (Aglaiak Kyriakou, Agia Sofia)

Social services of camps (Filippiada, Ritsona, Thermopylae)

National Organization for Public Health (Drama camp)

Eudaimonia medical services

The Reception Service for Asylum Seekers has facilitated procedures
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I was desperate, I had nowhere to go. We had to go to hospital and have the surgery but we could not stay there. We had no money ...and here we found warmth, and all the staff helped us. Without exception, I thank you all for the care and affection you showed to me and my child. I thank you from the bottom of my heart. God bless you all ....