

# „Quality assurance in German hospital care“

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- Representative organ of all German hospitals, no mandatory membership
- 28 member organisations (16 hospital federations on state level, 12 association on the federal level on each special type of ownership, e.g. catholic and evangelic churches, universities, municipalities and counties, private for profit companies, pension funds, etc.)
- Partner of politics on national, European and international level
- Key player in the self-government-system of the German health care sector (e.g. in the Federal Joint Committee)
- Development of the German DRG-System
- Provision of services to member organisations

# Key facts of hospital care in Germany

**hospitals:** almost 2.000  
public: 510  
private: 603  
charity based: 579  
others: 325

**beds:** ca. 500.000  
public: ca. 220.000  
private: ca. 80.000  
charity based: ca. 160.000

**income:** ca. 86 billion €  
SHI: 61,7 billion. €  
PHI: 6,7 billion. €  
investment: 2,7 billion. €

18,7 Mio. **Inpatient patients**  
20 Mio. ambulatory patients

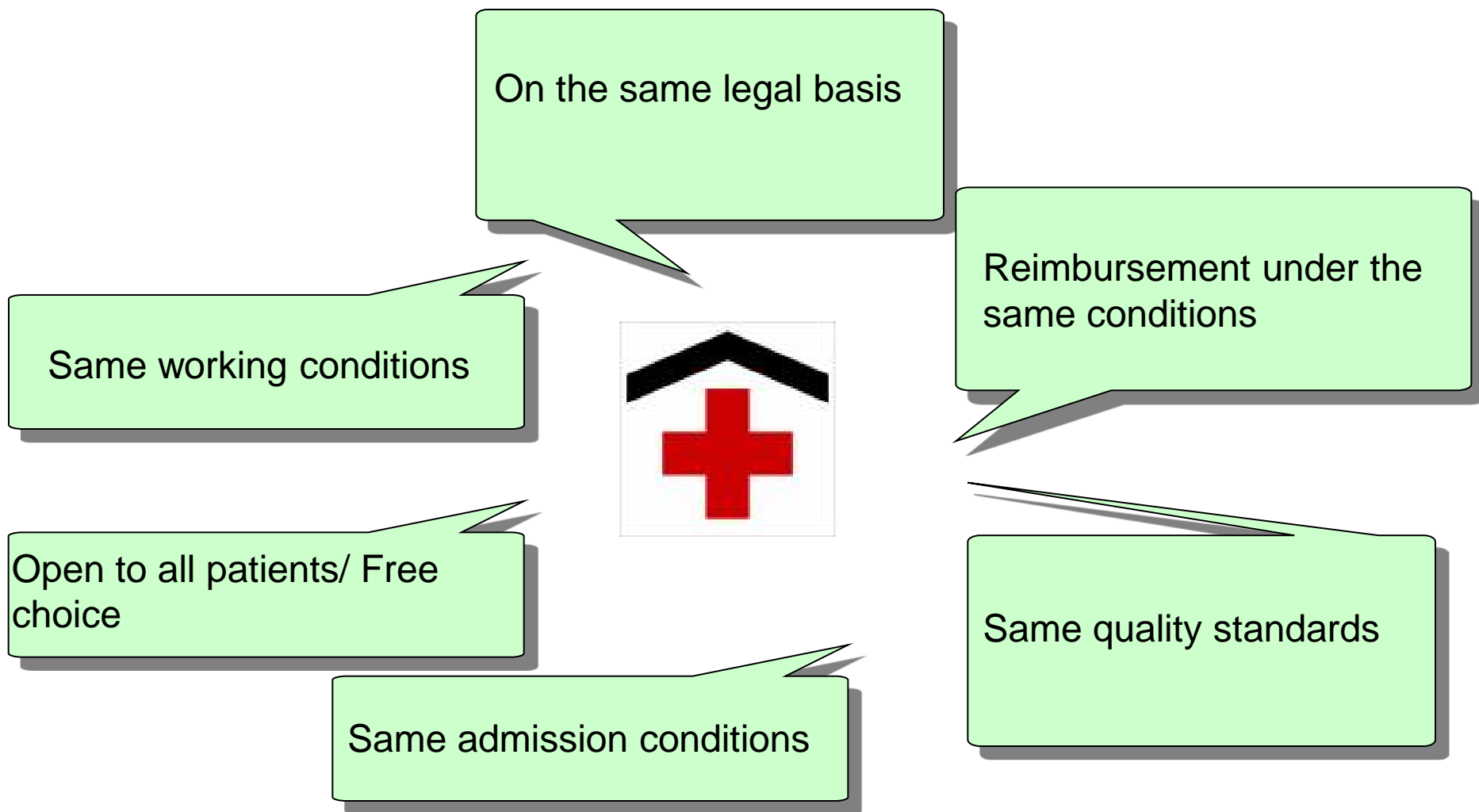
**occupancy rate:** 77,4 %  
**occupancy days:** 142 Mio.  
**length of stay:** 7,6 days

**employees:** 1,1 Mio.  
160.000 doctors  
400.000 nurses





# Hospitals





# Major political developments on quality

- already in the coalition contract of the parties forming the German government: quality assurance in hospitals
  - discussion on a relation between hospital planning and quality (e.g. structure quality indicators like skills, minimum volumes or architectural settings)
  - discussion on a relation between hospital and prices
  - **political decision to be awaited!**
- inauguration of a quality institute for more transparency
- already a lot of measures for quality assurance with high bureaucratic burden



# Thanks and contacts

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