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- **The role of NGO's – The patient's voice - Case study**

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Non Profit Organizations have an important role in Health •  
Promotion at the national, European and international level.

While having ministry of health on one side , Pharma industry •  
on second side, professional doctors on third side – we need to  
look at the **forth and most important actor/sector – the  
patients that are via NGOs that have the most influence in  
Health Promotion/coverage needs.**



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In Israel, the role of NGOs is so important that they keep the systems working. Without the volunteering organizations, the system cannot function at all. We are changing laws for the benefit of patients, we take care of implantation of the systems. Thus is what is being done in European and international levels.





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- We can learn from the Israeli case what can and should be done internationally: •
- The social health organizations apply to the ministry and to the MP - members of KENESSET (The Israeli Parliament) demanding their intervening in the subjects like lack of beds in hospitals, lack of medications, a change in medicine formula that harms the patients and so on. We participate in meetings, we speak with the members of the committees for new medication. We apply to the media with a loud and clear voice to effect the decision makers decision.



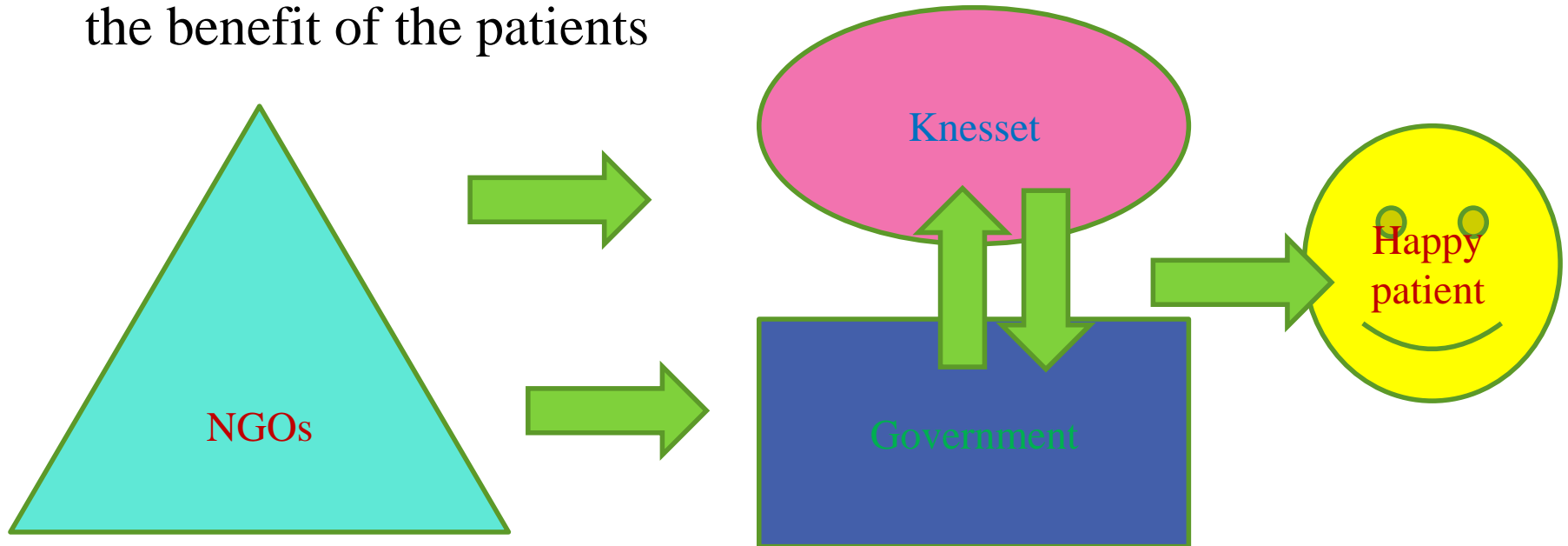
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- NGOs influence government and Knesset- to change laws for the benefit of the patients





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- An example: we fight for the health budget of the basket for new medications in Israel. This fight was to insert the new medications budget and make a basis of the national health budget by law.





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In the national level it is the most important alarm bell for the decision makers and the Ministry of Health to know about problems and needs to be taken care of. In Israel the annual budget for medications and technologies is 24 billion SHKELS and the budget for the basket of new medication is about 300 million SHKELS. The Health patients Organizations united to double it .We influence the system and make each patient better health care.





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- In the European level the European umbrella NGO organizations do the same with the MEP and the Health commissioner.
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- In an international level the same – our representatives participate in high level meetings of WHO and present the patients' voice.
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**Thank you •**