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GEORGIA LAUNCHES ELECTRONIC PRESCRIPTION SYSTEM



Georgia is taking a step into the future by launching an electronic prescription system that will enhance safety and quality of how medicines are prescribed by doctors.

Today Georgia's Health Minister David Sergeenko announced doctors in Georgia will soon have the ability to electronically prescribe medications for their patients.

The meant doctors will be able to directly send their patients' prescription details to pharmacy computers.

This method will significantly reduce the number of paper-based prescriptions, which are heavily used in Georgia today.

Furthermore, electronic prescription aimed to decrease associated mistakes that may occur from being reliant on handwritten prescriptions that can be hard to read due to the scrawling text of handwritten notes.

The term electronic prescribing is defined as computer-based electronic generation, transmission, and filling of a prescription, taking the place of paper and faxed prescriptions.

About 30 pharmacies in Georgia have already tested the method of sending and receiving electronic prescriptions. All of these pharmacies were satisfied that this method would be successful in Georgia, said the Health Minister.

Looking ahead step-by-step all medical institutions and pharmacies in Georgia will be introduced to this new process and asked to introduce it into their daily operations.

Currently involvement in the electronic prescription system is voluntary however in September this year the Ministry will announce the specific date when it will become mandatory for all medical institutions.

The Minister said the next stage in this process was to transfer patients' medical data and research into an electronic database that can be accessed by medical experts.

DEA STARTS RECEIVING APPLICATIONS FROM STUDENTS FOR ENROLLMENT IN THE SECOND LEARNING COURSE OF CYBER CLASS



Computer Emergency Response Team of Data Exchange Agency of Ministry of Justice of Georgia CERT.GOV.GE has started receiving applications from interested students for the second learning course of Cyber Class aiming at helping young professionals to deepen their knowledge in the basics of cyber security and to share experience accumulated in the agency in this direction.

The project enables students to smarten their practical and theoretical skills in the following fields: System information gathering; computer expertise; penetration testing; malware analysis; recap and log file analysis; basics of information security.

The full course comprises of 7 learning weeks with 1-2 hour sessions to be held on weekly basis. All sessions include theoretical as well as laboratory exercises. Special text books and practical tests will be prepared for the course and tasks will be assigned by invited industry experts and renowned professionals.

Each sessions will be held according to the following plan: presentation and discussion on predefined topics; discussions around laboratory works and reviewing presentations prepared by the students; explaining laboratory works and assigning home works.

"The education and training of young generation is one of the priorities of Data Exchange Agency of ministry of justice of Georgia. Cyber Olympiad will give the students the opportunity to expand their knowledge in the sphere, such as the Cyber security. Nowadays, it is very important to achieve and maintain a high level of cyber security, which of course needs the qualified specialists with skills and knowledge. This is a unique opportunity for young people to represent themselves in mutual competition, and expand their experience"-added **Irakli Gvenetadze**.

The course will start on September 31.

Deadline for registration on the course: September 15.

Interested Students are encouraged to contact CERT.GOV.GE for more information on the course enrollment. Phone: 291 51 40; Email: CyberClass@dea.gov.ge; FB Page: <https://www.facebook.com/certgovge> / <https://www.facebook.com/CyberCube2016/>

IT GROUP WORKING ON ELECTRONIC DISTRIBUTION OF CASE TO COURTS HOLDS ITS SECOND MEETING



On August 2, the Minister of Justice and the Chairperson of the Supreme Court held the second meeting with the special group working on the introduction of the electronic system for distribution of cases to the courts.

The meeting with the IT professionals was held at the Supreme Court of Georgia.

The IT group presented to the meeting participants results of the work progress. In particular, the group discussed the existing software in the courts used for distribution of cases and its integration prospects; the existing IT resources; various options of electronic distribution, work schedule etc.

The working group was created under the Minister's decree of June 29. The group held its first meeting on July 12. Today's meeting was devoted to discussion of tasks set forth at the previous meeting. The group will meet again in September and will continue to work intensively in order to introduce the electronic distribution system in one of the pilot courts.

The introduction of electronic distribution of cases will eliminate all kinds of corruption and personal approach in judicial system.

DEA HELD MEETINGS WITH SUBJECTS OF CRITICAL INFRASTRUCTURE



Throughout the months of July and August, representatives of LEPL Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia have held a number of meetings with Subjects of Critical Infrastructure (LEPL National Environmental Agency, United Airports of Georgia; LEPL State Regulation Agency for Medical Activities, Office of Financial Monitoring, Border Police).

These meetings were held with top and mid-level managers, during which the status of fulfillment of the requirement defined by the law of Information Security and approaches to their implementation were discussed.

The sides have also run discussion on existing problems and the ways of their elimination in which DEA has offered its expertise and consultancy.

"Our Agency runs the meetings of this type on a regular basis and covers both the Subjects of Critical Infrastructure and Private entities. The aim of these meetings is to improve the level of fulfillment of those requirements defined by the law of Information Security and in general to bring the standards in compliance with that of recognized internationally. Moreover, the law obliges us to use these meetings as a tool to help organizations make well-deliberated decisions." – **Irakli Gvenetadze**, DEA Chairman.

MY.GOV.GE PRESENTATION HELD IN NIGOITI AND QVEMO NATANEBI COMMUNITY CENTERS



Data Exchange Agency of the Ministry of Justice of Georgia has extended its presentation tours and held meetings with residents of Nigoiti (Lanchkhuti Municipality) and Gomi (Ozurgeti Municipality), during which advantages of MY.GOV.GE were explained. A number of community centers located throughout Georgia will host MY.GOV.GE presentation events in coming months.

Representatives of Data Exchange Agency have given out a very detailed information about Citizen's Portal MY.GOV.GE for the local audience and presented a clear instructions on how to register and use the portal and receive benefit from it.

In order to register on citizen's portal MY.GOV.GE, one can use a new ID card, or username and password, which can be obtained in Public Service Halls

(one time visit is required). However, to take advantage of all services provided by citizen's portal it is recommended to use a new ID card.

Citizen's portal MY.GOV.GE is an online resource, which gathers various e-services provided by public and private organizations. The citizen portal gives user a chance to apply those services remotely, in online regime with a few simple combinations from any country, without having to leave an office or residence.

By going through several simple procedures, the user will be able to use diverse services related with the person (passport, different types of certificates, interesting information about surnames and etc.), property, social services, health, business startup, communal payments, fines, or other types of payments. Each service is grouped in relevant category, which makes it easier to choose the needed ones. The user of citizen's portal can also put all frequently used services in his or her personal page. At this moment citizen's portal displays over 70 e-services.

"The portal is designed for every citizen of our country. That is why it is very important to provide comprehensive information about the system for our customer from different regions of Georgia. We strive to make e-governance, one of the examples of which is e-services and their availability, easily accessible for as many citizens as possible. In this regard, it is important to inform customers residing in regions about these services and today's presentation was a continuation to fulfill this commitment. It is worth noting that the portal will also feature municipal e-services applicable with specific municipalities in the nearest future" – **Nikoloz Gagnidze**, Head of Data Exchange Infrastructure Division, DEA.

The meetings will continue and cover all regions of Georgia.

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