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Czech Healthcare System Far Friendlier to Patients

This year's Euro Health Consumer Index (EHCI) survey found the Czech health care system to have become much more patient-friendly than last year. The Czech Republic placed 15th out of 29 countries (the 27 EU member states, plus Switzerland and Norway), compared to 2006, when it ranked 22nd out of 26 countries. The Czech Republic received 612 points, finishing closely behind Estonia, Cyprus and Spain and ahead of Ireland, Britain and Italy. Austria with 806 points out of 1,000 placed first, while Latvia (435 points) was at the bottom of the list of assessed countries.

The survey, which seeks to assess patient satisfaction with health care, also focuses on issues such as access to information, waiting time for treatment, as well as results.

For further information, please visit: <http://www.ceskenoviny.cz>

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