

Foundation

TK was founded on the 27th of October in 1884 in Leipzig as "Eingeschriebene Hilfskasse für Architekten, Ingenieure und Techniker Deutschlands". TK is a nationwide statutory health insurance fund with about five million members and 7.2 insurants.

Legal Form

TK is a public corporation with self-administration led by a full-time executive board. The voluntary administrative board consists of 30 persons, half of them employer's representatives and half of them employee representatives. Every six years, the administrative board is constituted in a social election.

Employees and Branches

11 443 employees work at TK of which 524 are apprentices. In addition there are 10 479 honorary consultants in companies and universities. TK has 215 branches nationwide.

Finance

The budget of TK amounted up to about 18.2 billion Euro of which 1.8 billion Euro were spent on long-term care insurance 0.3 billion Euro on the apportionment insurance of the employers. The uniform contribution rate constitutes 15.5 percent of which 7.3 percent is borne by the employer and 8.2 percent by the employee. TK paid 3.9 billion Euro for the morbidity-based risk adjustment (MBRA) between the statutory health insurance funds. Since 1994 TK transferred 46 billion Euro to the (MBRA).

Contracts with Providers in other EU-Member States

Hospitals

Since 2004, TK has had contracts with clinics for its members to ensure high-quality and unbureaucratic health care in border regions in other EU member states, during vacations and for scheduled medical treatment. Today, this service is provided in cooperation with AOK-Rheinland/Hamburg and covers the Netherlands, Belgium, Austria and Italy. Other locations are projected.

Spas

Since 2005, TK has also had contracts with spas in other EU member states, specifically Austria, Italy, the Czech Republic, Hungary, Poland and Slovakia.

Administrative Board and Executive Board

Alternate Chairman of the Administrative Board and Employer's Representative is Dr. Hans-Heinrich Gerth, the Employee's Representative is Harald Schulte. Chief Executive Officer is Prof. Dr. Norbert Klusen and Deputy Chief Executive Officer is Helmuth Doose.