"Moving forward in Berlin"

Climate protection strategy for the German capital

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- 1.887 hospitals (three types of ownership: public, charity based, private for profit), almost 500.000 beds
- 1,2 million employees (850.000 full time equivalents) 185.000 doctors, 400.000 nurses
- 20 million inpatient services, 20 million ambulatory services
- Income of 100 billion Euro annually (DRG-based financing system for the costs of the treatment, paid for by statutory and private health insurance funds; grants by states for the costs of investment and contributions by patients)

Concentration of hospitals



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- 60 hospitals (all kinds of ownerships, 22.500 beds, 55.000 employees)
- approx. 5.500 long term care beds
- Gross income of approximately 5 billion Euro annually
- Partner of politics and self-government-system
- legal tasks/mandates:
 - negotiation of hospital prices and of hospital plan
 - training funds
 - quality assurance
 - arbitration board, admission committee for ambulatory services in hospitals



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Need for action



Impact of hospitals

- Massive consumption of resources
- High volume of emissions
- Impact on hospitals
 - Climate associated illnesses
 - Delivery of care under hindered conditions
- Legal requirements
- Competition for new colleagues



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Our approach – how can we do?



Start on local level

- Conviction of management
- Active involvement of staff
- Commitment of politics, authorities and organisations/experts
 - Political positioning of BKG-board/ strategy-paper/expert group/sharing good practice
 - Climate department in health ministry of Berlin
 - Providing financial resources: "Green hospital programme"
 - Setting the right priorities/ creating evidence

Recommendations from experts



- Create low-hurdle options to onboard people
- Be a good and authentic example
- Don't give up



Thank you for your attention!

