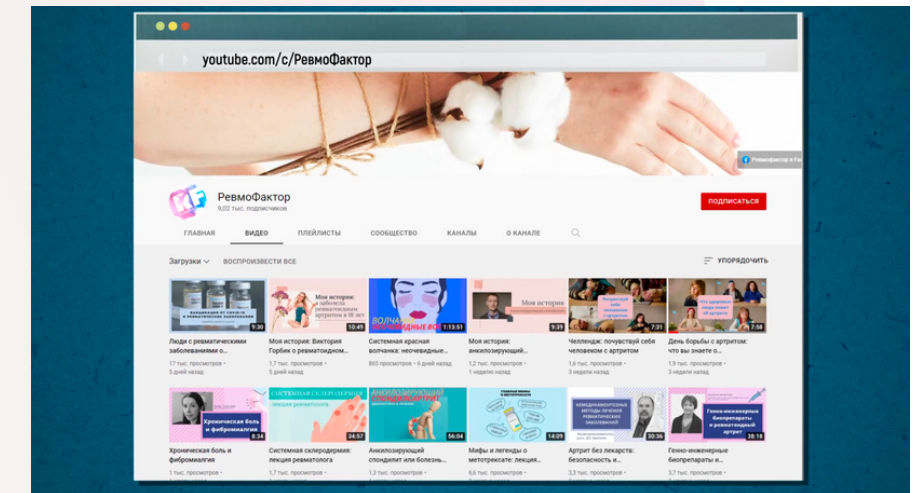
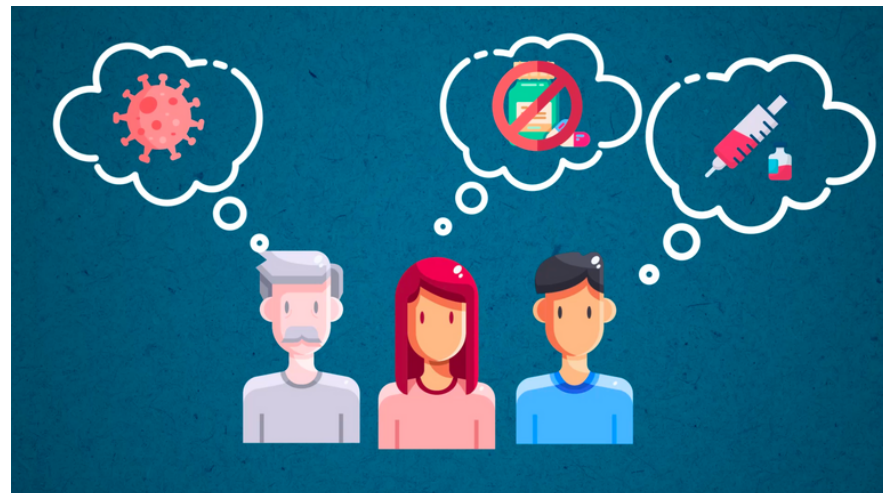
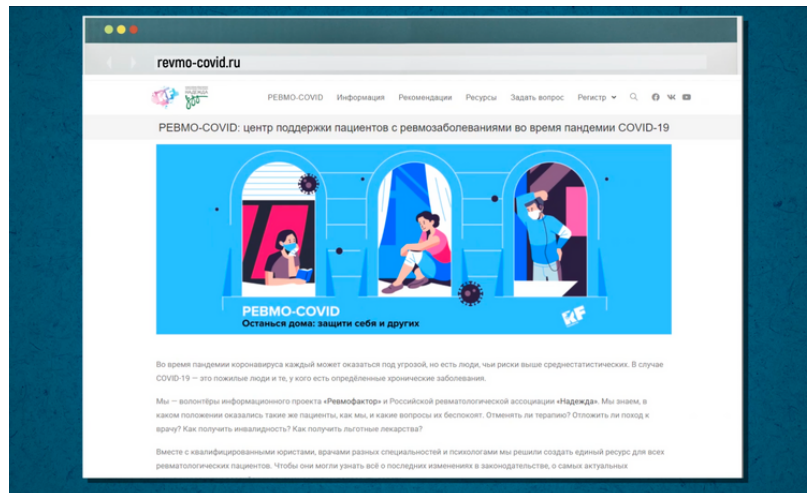


# Revmo-COVID.ru — the informational support service for people with RMDs

LAUNCHED BY RUSSIAN RHEUMATOLOGY ASSOCIATION NADEZHDA MEDIA PROJECT REVMOFACTOR



THE WORLD HAS CHANGED DRAMATICALLY DURING THE PANDEMIC. LIVE AND HEALTH OF MANY PEOPLE WERE PUT AT RISK. SOME PEOPLE WITH RMDs GOT INTO RISK GROUP, MANY OF THEM LOST ACCESS TO TIMELY MEDICAL CARE AND PHARMACOLOGICAL TREATMENT. OTHER ISSUES HAVE ALSO APPEARED: ARE PEOPLE ON IMMUNOSUPPRESSIVE THERAPY AT HIGHER RISK FOR COVID-19? SHOULD PEOPLE TEMPORARILY STOP ANTIRHEUMATIC TREATMENT IF GETTING INFECTED? AND WHAT ABOUT VACCINATION?



TOGETHER WITH QUALIFIED EXPERTS, LAWYERS, DOCTORS, PSYCHOLOGISTS WE – RRA NADEZHDA MEDIA PROJECT REVMOFACTOR – MADE AN INFORMATIONAL SUPPORT SERVICE FOR PEOPLE WITH RMDs.

WE’VE LAUNCHED THE WEBSITE REVMO-COVID.RU IN APRIL 2020. WE HAVE 21 DOCTORS VOLUNTEERING FOR REVMO-COVID, 5 EXPERTS IN PATIENTS’ RIGHTS PROTECTION, 5 FIVE PHYCOLOGISTS AND 2 ADMINISTRATORS.

DURING THE PANDEMIC WE’VE PROCESSED 2000 REQUESTS OF PEOPLE WITH RMDs, ALMOST 30 000 PEOPLE HAVE REGULARLY READ NEWS AND INSTRUCTIONS POSTED ON THE WEBSITE. FOR EXAMPLE, HOW TO PROPERLY WEAR THE MASK, WASH HANDS, WHAT SHOULD BE TAKEN INTO CONSIDERATION WHEN MAKING A DECISION ON VACCINATION.

WE ALSO PUBLISH THE RECOMMENDATIONS DEVELOPED BY THE RUSSIAN MINISTRY OF HEALTH, THE ASSOCIATION OF RHEUMATOLOGISTS OF RUSSIA, EULAR, ACR, AND OTHER ASSOCIATIONS FROM AROUND THE WORLD.

WITHIN THE PROJECT, WE’VE CONDUCTED SEVERAL SURVEYS AMONG PATIENTS – ABOUT COVID-19, ABOUT ACCESS TO MEDICAL CARE, ABOUT ACCESS TO PHARMACOLOGICAL TREATMENT.

WE’VE COLLECTED ALMOST 3000 FORMS FILLED IN BY THE PEOPLE WITH RMDs WITH IMPORTANT INFORMATION THAT ALLOWED US TO PROTECT PATIENTS’ RIGHTS MORE EFFECTIVELY.

OUR REQUESTS IN REGARDS TO DRUG SHORTAGE WERE SENT TO THE RUSSIAN MINISTRY OF HEALTH, REGIONAL HEALTHCARE GOVERNMENTAL INSTITUTIONS, THE RUSSIAN GOVERNMENT AND THE PRESIDENT OF RUSSIA.

COVID-19 SURVEY RESULTS WERE PUBLISHED IN EULAR CONGRESS 2021 ABSTRACTS.

FOR THOSE WHO DON’T LIKE TO READ NEWS, INSTRUCTIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS WE’VE MADE A SERIES OF VIDEOS: ABOUT COVID-19 AND RMDs, ABOUT COVID-19 VACCINATION OF PEOPLE WITH RMDs, ABOUT PATIENTS’ RIGHTS DURING THE PANDEMIC, AND HOW TO PROTECT THEM. FOR THE LAST 12 MONTHS, OUR VIDEOS GOT MORE THAN 350 000 VIEWS. THIS MEANS THAT A SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF PEOPLE GOT IMPORTANT AND USEFUL INFORMATION.

AND THAT’S INCREDIBLY GREAT SINCE AS WE’VE ALREADY SAID BEFORE, **KNOWLEDGE IS POWER.**

WE WANT TO THANK ALL THE VOLUNTEERS WHO MADE THIS PROJECT POSSIBLE. THANK YOU!