

Personality in science (bibliographic essay)



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On March, 7, 2009 it is 60 years from birthday and 36 years of expert, scientific, pedagogical and public work of the chief of regional state institution of public health services «the Smolensk regional bureau of forensic medical examination», head of the faculty of forensic medicine and law of Smolensk state medical academy, academician of the World academy of sciences of Complex safety and Russian academy of medical-technical sciences (RAMTS), Honoured doctor of Russian Federation, Medical Doctor, professor Vladimir Hohlov.

Vladimir ended the medical faculty of Smolensk state Medical institute in 1973. Since 1970 till 1973 he worked as laboratory assistant of forensic medicine faculty of this institute. After the graduation of internship in forensic medicine in 1974 he was directed to the post of medicolegal expert of Jartsevskiy area of Smolensk region. Since 1975 till 1978 Hohlov managed the department of medicolegal research of corpses of a regional forensic medical examination bureau. Since 1978 he worked as the chief of Smolensk regional forensic medical examinations bureau. Since 1982 Hohlov simultaneously managed the faculty of forensic medicine and law of SSMA.

Without giving up the basic work in 1978 he defends the thesis «Examining-diagnostic value of heart and other organs of mediastinum traumatizing in some kinds of road accidents». In 1992 Hohlov wrote DPhil - «Medicolegal expert criteria of mechanisms of chest's trauma by blunt subjects at children». In 1986 he was given the supreme qualifying category of the medicolegal expert, in 1987 he became an associate professor, in 1993 - professor, in 1997 – academician of RAMTS.

Under the Hohlov's direction the quality of examinations had increased due to introduction of modern equipment, new medical technologies and constantly raising qualifying level of the staff. The probative base of examination reports became more significant.

By the order of investigatory bodies Hohlov examines especially difficult forensic medical examinations including those from territories of other subjects of Russian Federation and Byelorussia.

On instructions of Russian health inspectorate Hohlov takes an active part in the work of commissions which check the activity of regional forensic medical examination bureaux, and in preparation of normative-legal documents concerning forensic medicine.

Vladimir Hohlov took part in development and introduction of the new computer programs which have received a wide circulation in Russian Federation. As a result the opportunities of forensic medical examination, the control of examination's quality, the reduction of terms of their manufacture have extended.

Hohlov makes a big work for increasing of expert qualification. He has lead 10 certified cycles for forensic scientists of Smolensk, Bryansk, Kaluga and Kaliningrad regions.

V. Hohlov pays a big attention to strengthening of material resources of the bureau. In 1994 the modern medicolegal mortuary was created. It's area is 950 m² with adjacent territory of 1 hectare, equipped with the modern equipment: room for rest, shower and a sauna for restoration of forces of forensic scientists. In 1995 he solved a question about granting the bureau rooms of the area of 100 m² belonging to the faculty of forensic medicine and law of Smolensk medical academy where now it is placed medical criminalistic department, and in 2008 150 m² for the department of medicolegal research of suffering, accused and other persons. It has approached the educational process to practical activities and has actually fixed the multi-purpose complex capable to solve problems of expert, educational and scientific character at the new level. Thus, the general area of occupied rooms has increased since 1974 in 10 times and is more than 1500 m².

Vladimir Hohlov is the erudite lecturer, talented teacher who is able not only to carry students with but also to force them to think creatively, to choose the profession deliberately. The graduates of academy become medicolegal experts of Smolensk, Bryansk and Kaluga regions.

V.Hohlov promotes the strengthening of Russian – Belorussian - Ukrainian cooperation in the field of forensic medicine, taking part in work of the international scientific - practical conferences, where he makes reports.

In 2006 at the international competition «National safety» the diploma to a gold medal «Quality and safety assurance» was given to the establishment headed by him for development and introduction of new medical technologies.

V. Hohlov is author and co-author of more than 120 scientific works (from them are 27 books: textbook and practical work for students of medical high schools, monographies, manuals for forensic scientists, handbooks), including a fundamental encyclopaedic manual of forensic medicine (1998) which became the reference book not only for medicolegal experts of Russia, Belorussia and Ukraine, but also received a wide spread occurrence in the CIS countries, Romania, Germany, the USA, etc. It was advanced and republished with additions and changes in 2003. In 2005 the given manual was exposed for independent discussion in the Internet at the forum of medicolegists and received the highest rating estimation (*****) by more than 20 thousand users.

V.Hohlov takes part in public works, being during many years the main non-staff specialist-expert in forensic medical examination of Smolensk Department on public health services, academician of the Russian academy of medical-technical sciences, president of the Smolensk-Bryansk society of medicolegists, a member of board of the All-Russia society of medicolegists, a member of editorial councils of magazines «Problems of examination in medicine» and «Forensic medical examination».

V. Hohlov's activity has found reflection in J.Nekliudov's book «Outstanding medicolegists of Russian empire, the USSR and Russian Federation». In 2004 Vladimir Hohlov was brought in branding encyclopedia «the Best people of Russia». He was awarded earlier as «Inventor of the USSR» and as «High achiever of public health services».