On 4 September, the head of the bone-purulent surgery department of the State Institution Institute of Traumatology and Orthopedics of the National Academy of Medical Sciences of Ukraine, Doctor of Medical Sciences, Professor Mykola Pavlovich Hrytsai turned 70 years old.

Mykola Pavlovich was born in the village Zhovtneve of Korop district, Chernihiv region. In 1976, he graduated from Kyiv Medical Institute and was referred to the Kyiv Research Institute of Traumatology and Orthopedics of the Ministry of Health of Ukraine. From that time on, his scientific and practical activities were inextricably linked with the Institute, where he made his way from a doctor to the head of the bone-purulent surgery department. In 1983, he defended his candidate's thesis on the topic «Surgical treatment of patients with chronic femoral fistula osteomyelitis using the hemo-dilution method» and in 1992 his doctoral thesis «Complex treatment of patients with post-traumatic osteomyelitis of long bones». In 2002, M. P. Hrytsai was awarded the title of Professor.

Mykola Pavlovich is a well-known scientist in Ukraine and abroad, a leading specialist in the field of bone-purulent surgery. His significant scientific contribution is based on multifaceted clinical and experimental studies on bone and joint infection. Scientific achievements are regularly presented at national and international conferences (France, Austria, Portugal, Switzerland, Czech Republic, Poland).

M. P. Hrytsai is the author of about 400 scientific works, including 7 manuals and monographs, 9 patents for inventions, devoted to current problems of orthopedics and traumatology. Under his supervision, 2 doctoral theses and 9 candidate theses were completed.

Mykola Pavlovich Hrytsai is a top category orthopedic traumatologist who made a significant contribution to the development of health care in Ukraine. He was awarded with Certificates of Honor of the Verkhovna Rada of Ukraine, the Ministry of Health of Ukraine, the Presidium of the National Academy of Medical Sciences of Ukraine, the Badge of Honor of the National Academy of Medical Sciences of Ukraine.

The scientific and practical activities of Mykola Pavlovich are inextricably linked with the names of such outstanding scientists as M. K. Panchenko, G. V. Hayko, and I. P. Vernyhora. He successfully combines his multifaceted activities as a doctor and scientist with public activities — he is the chairman of the Institute's Problem Commission, a member of the Specialized Academic Council for the Defense of Candidate and Doctoral Dissertations, a member of the Institute's Attestation and Competition Commission, a member of the editorial board of the journals «Herald of Orthopedics, Traumatology and Prosthetics», «Trauma», «Problems of Traumatology and Osteosynthesis».

Mykola Pavlovich meets his anniversary full of strength and talent, plans for further scientific, practical and social activities. Emotional warmth, sensitive attitude towards people won the affection and deep gratitude of patients, high authority among the scientific and medical community.