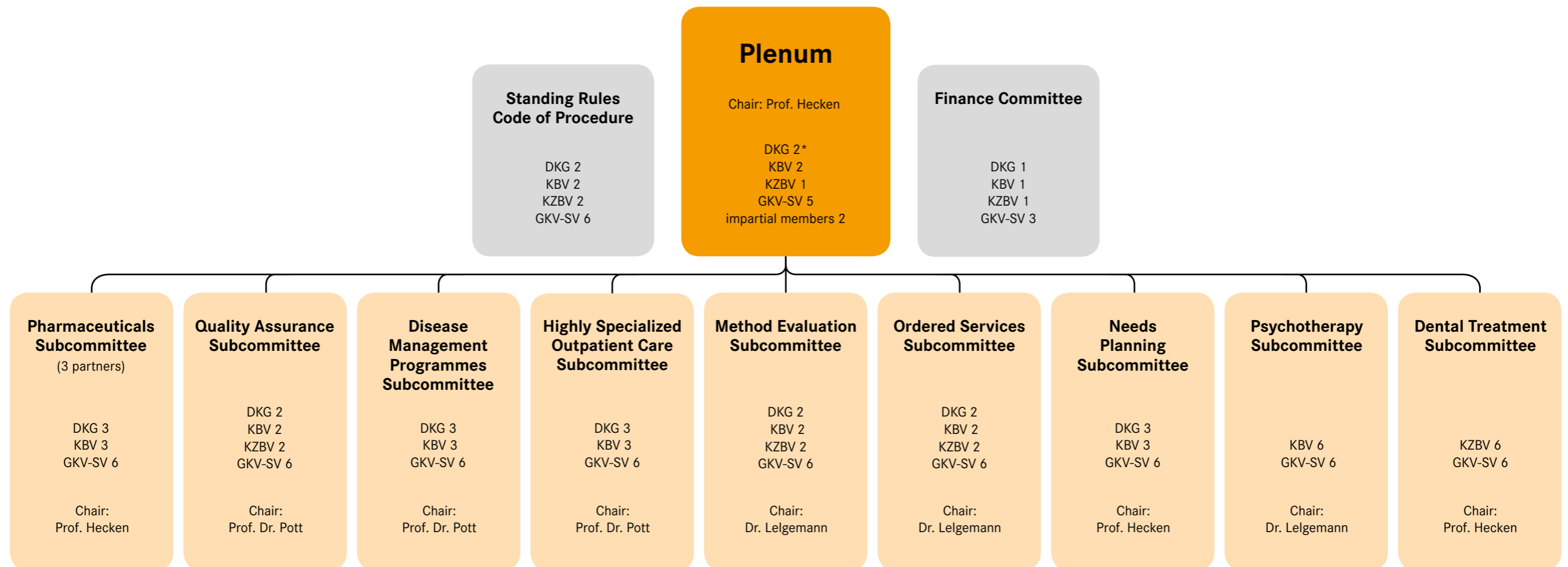


The Federal Joint Committee and its subcommittees



* Number of members

Abbreviations: DKG = German Hospital Federation; KBV = National Association of Statutory Health Insurance Physicians; KZBV = National Association of Statutory Health Insurance Dentists; GKV-SV = Federal Association of Statutory Health Insurance Funds

- **Patient representatives** take part in discussions in all committees. They can submit petitions, but not vote [German Social Code, Book Five (SGB V), section 140f, paragraph 2].
- **Two representatives from the Conference of Health Ministers of the German states** take part in discussions in the plenum and in the needs planning subcommittee (SGB V, section 92, paragraph 7e in connection with section 92, paragraph 1, sentence 2, number 9).
- **One representative each from the German Medical Association, the Federation of Private Health Insurance Providers, and the German Nurses' Council** takes part in discussions in the plenum and in the quality assurance subcommittee on matters concerning regulations in accordance with SGB V, section 92, paragraph 1, sentence 2, number 13 (quality assurance). The same applies to **the German Psychotherapy Association and the German Dental Association** in matters concerning the psychotherapists' and dentists' professions. (SGB V, section 136, paragraph 3)