

1. Title of the certificate ¹

**Δίπλωμα Επαγγελματικής Ειδικότητας Εκπαίδευσης και Κατάρτισης Επιπέδου 5 Ειδικότητα Ι.Ε.Κ.:
ΝΟΣΗΛΕΥΤΙΚΗ ΑΤΟΜΩΝ ΜΕ ΨΥΧΙΚΕΣ ΠΑΘΗΣΕΙΣ**

2. Translated title of the certificate ²

**Vocational Training Diploma Initial Vocational Training (I.E.K.) Level 5. Specialty of I.E.K.:
NURSING FOR PEOPLE WITH MENTAL DISORDERS**

3. Profile of skills and competences

LEARNING OUTCOMES (KNOWLEDGE, SKILLS, COMPETENCES). A typical holder of the certificate is able to:

KNOWLEDGE

- Identify the gross anatomical structure of the human body and the location of each organ in it.
- Analyse the normal range of the human vital signs (respirations, pulses, temperature, and arterial pressure) and the variations thereof.
- State the most common affective and personality disorders and the rough symptomatology thereof.
- Describe in summary the concepts of agitated / confused / dementia / addicted patient.
- Describe the particularities in the hospitalization of psychiatric patients, in order to ensure the safety both of patients and staff.
- State the rules on hygiene - sterilization - antisepsis - disinfection for the nursing and medical personnel, the patients and the institution / clinic facilities.
- Describe the protective measures and methods to prevent the transmission of diseases and nosocomial infections.
- Describe the routes for the administration of medicines and the precautions to be taken for each route, when medicines are administered to patients with mental illnesses and disabilities.
- Describe the steps for cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
- Describe the steps and precautions to follow when finding that a patient is engaging in actions that endanger his/her own life or the safety of other patients and staff.

SKILLS

- Attend to the physical hygiene and cleanliness of the patient.
- Attend to the laying of the bed with fresh linens and placing the patient in a comfortable position.
- Prepare and accompany the patient when it comes to carry out diagnostic / interventional actions ensuring his/her safe transfer, if given such an instruction.
- Attend to the hygiene of the patient room (room ventilation, notice about dirt etc.) and oversee compliance with the antisepsis - disinfection rules.
- Attend to the recording and assessment of patient vital signs at regular intervals, and of the secretions of drains / catheters.
- Administer medications orally, intramuscularly and subcutaneously, according to the instructions of the nurse or physician, ensuring the safe and effective administration method.
- Perform enemas and fits a gas hose upon instructions from the physician / nurse.
- Insert and adjusts the oxygen delivery and inhaled medicines devices using a nasal catheter, a venturi mask or tent (children), upon relevant instructions by the physician.
- Feed the patient by mouth, through a nasogastric tube (levin) or gastrostomy, upon receiving the respective instruction, ensuring its safe implementation.
- Stabilize the catheters and drainage pipes to prevent the accidental removal thereof, when given the appropriate instruction.
- Supervise the antisepsis of drainage tubes / catheters / respirators, when given the respective instruction.
- Apply any step of CPR upon request.
- Receive and renew the necessary material and pharmaceutical equipment required in any medical or nursing action performed in the patient room.
- Implement measures to constrain and immobilize the patient when given the appropriate instruction, ensuring always his/her own safety.
- Promptly recognize any pathological and life-threatening conditions for the patient and informs the nurse or physician responsible.

COMPETENCES

- Work under the supervision of the responsible nursing and medical personnel.
- Collaborate with absolute calmness under extreme emergency situations.
- Work with reliability, respect to the patient and his/her colleagues and confidentiality, as per the ethics of his/her profession.

¹ In the original language. | ² If applicable. This translation has no legal status. | ³ If applicable.

4. Range of occupations accessible to the holder of the certificate ³

The holder of this diploma can be employed in Psychiatric Hospitals, Psychiatric Departments in General Hospitals, in community centers, reinstatement units etc.

The Vocational Training Diploma is recognised as a qualification for appointment in the public sector falling in the category S.E. (Secondary Education) according to the Presidential Decree no.50/2001 (Greek Official Gazette 39/Vol.A/5-3-2001).

5. Official basis of the certificate

Body awarding the certificate

E.O.P.P.E.P.
(National Organisation for the Certification of Qualifications and Vocational Guidance)
Ethnikis Antistaseos 41 Avenue, 142 34 N. Ionia
<https://www.eoppep.gr/>

Authority providing accreditation / recognition of the certificate

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Level of the certificate (national or European) ¹

Level 5 National and European Qualifications Framework

Grading scale / Pass requirements

- a) acquisition of the Vocational Training Certificate (V.E.K.) after successful completion of study at the Vocational Training Institute (I.E.K.)
- b) acquisition of the Vocational Training Diploma after:
1. success in the theoretical part of Initial Vocational Training certification examinations (Grading scale = 1-20, Pass = 10) and
 2. success in the practical part of the Initial Vocational Training certification examinations (Pass/Fail)

Access to next level of education / training ¹

Yes

International agreements on recognition of qualifications¹

No

Legal basis

Law 2009/1992 on the National System of Vocational Education and Training
Law 4186/2013 on the Restructure of Secondary Education
Law 4763/2020 on National System of Vocational Education, Training and Lifelong Learning

6. Officially recognised ways of acquiring the certificate

Total duration of the education / training leading to the certificate
Success in the the Initial Vocational Training certification examinations
4 semesters (until law 4186/2013) / 5 semesters (after law 4186/2013)

7. Additional information

Entry requirements ¹

Certificate of Upper Secondary School. Qualification of Level 4 (NQF/EQF) // Certificate Vocational Training School (SEK) – Qualification of Level 3 (NQF/EQF)
Following the voting of L. 4763/2020, only by an Upper Secondary Education certificate or an equivalent title of studies (Qualification of Level 4 NQF/EQF)

Indicative subjects taught:

First Aid, Anatomy – Physiology – Pharmacology, Microbiology – Hygiene, Surgery, Pathology, Gynecology – Pediatrics, Elements of Psychiatric Neurology, Nursing I & II, Nursing (Hospital Practice), Psychiatrics I & II, Psychology – Neuropsychology, Psychiatric Nursing I & II, Psychiatric Nursing (Hospital Practice), English, Computing.

More information

National Qualifications Framework : <https://nqf.gov.gr/> and <https://proson.eoppep.gr/en>

National Europass Centre: **EL/NEC - E.O.P.P.E.P.** National Organisation for the Certification of Qualifications and Vocational Guidance, Ethnikis Antistaseos 41 Avenue, 142 34 N. Ionia, Greece. T.0030 2102709000 europass@eoppep.gr
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¹ If applicable.