

1. Title of the certificate ¹

**Δίπλωμα Επαγγελματικής Ειδικότητας Εκπαίδευσης και Κατάρτισης Επιπέδου 5 Ειδικότητα Ι.Ε.Κ.:
ΝΟΣΗΛΕΥΤΙΚΗ ΟΓΚΟΛΟΓΙΚΩΝ ΠΑΘΗΣΕΩΝ**

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 ONCOLOGICAL DISEASES**

3. Profile of skills and competences

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

KNOWLEDGE

- Describe in summary the macroscopic anatomy of the human body and the location of its organs.
- State the normal values of vital signs (blood pressure, breathing, pulse, and temperature) of the patient and recognizes the pathological deviations.
- Interpret terms as neoplastic lesion, benign /malignant/staging/ end-stage cancer, chronic pain, immunosuppression.
- List the basic principles of surgery, radiotherapy and chemotherapy for the oncology patient.
- List the risks and necessary protective measures during the use of chemotherapeutic regimens and ionizing radiation both for the patient and for the staff and their relatives.
- Describe briefly the patient preparation procedures for basic diagnostic methods (such as biopsy, CT scan, MRI, ultrasound, scintigraphy, positron emission tomography).
- List the most common immediate and long-term side effects in a patient undergoing radiotherapy / chemotherapy / transfusion.
- Apply the rules of hygiene – antisepsis - sterilization - disinfection to the patient, to tools and to the workplace.
- State the measures for preventing the transmission of nosocomial infections and spreading of pathogens, giving special attention to the issue of immunocompromised patients.
- Describe the steps for cardiopulmonary resuscitation.
- Reproduce key knowledge on surgery, internal medicine, paediatrics, neurology, gynaecology.
- Analyse the issues of ethics and confidentiality and ethical concerns raised during the care and the updating of the oncology patient and his/her relatives.

SKILLS

- Attend to the reception of patient in the patient room and his/her placement in a comfortable position or as directed by physicians.
- Undertake to make the bed and take steps for the proper ventilation of the patient room.
- Take care for the physical hygiene and cleanliness of the patient and prepare him/her for interventional and diagnostic procedures in accordance with the instructions of the nurse responsible.
- Take and record an ECG and the vital signs of the patient, while overseeing the proper functioning of equipment (monitor).
- Record the quantity and quality of secretions from drains and catheters, following the instructions from the physician / nurse.
- Feed the patient by oral, nasogastric or gastrostomy tube, according to the instructions given by the responsible medical and nursing staff.
- Adjust the flow of intravenous fluids and medications administered and ensures their replenishment in accordance with the instructions of physicians.
- Administer drugs orally, subcutaneously and intramuscularly, under the supervision of the physician or nurse responsible.
- Prepare the cart table with all the necessary tools and materials required to perform any medical or nursing action, always in accordance with the rules of hygiene - antisepsis.
- Administer oxygen therapy using a simple nasal catheter, a venturi mask or tent, depending on the instructions of doctors
- Conduct mouth, nasotracheal and tracheostomy aspiration in patients for whom the appropriate directive has been given under the supervision of the nurse.
- Insert a gas tube to conduct a low / high enema, under the supervision of the nurse.
- Supervise the cleanliness of the different orifices and drains of the patient, under the guidance of the nurse.
- Supervise the patient during chemotherapy / radiotherapy / transfusion and informs the nurse / physician about any disturbing reactions.
- Take care of the body of the deceased patient (cleanliness, removal of catheters and drains, etc.).

COMPETENCES

- Work under the supervision of the responsible nursing and medical personnel.
- Approach the oncology patient with great understanding, patience and respect to the instructions of physicians and relatives, with regard to the information given on the course his/her disease.
- Contribute to the psychological support for the patient and relatives.
- Work in accordance with the ethics of his/her profession, with reliability, respect, and confidentiality

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 hospitals and clinics, in the private and public sector. The Vocational Training Diploma is recognized 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

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

Anatomy – Physiology, Microbiology – Hygiene, First Aid, Nursing I & II, Nursing Hospital Practice, Gynecology – Pediatrics, Pathology, Elements of Psychiatry – Neurology, Oncological Nursing, Oncological Nursing Hospital Practice, Neoplasm Pathology, Clinical Oncology I & II, Chemotherapy – Roentgenotherapy, Elements of Anesthesiology – Blood Donation, Psychosocial Oncology, English, Computing.

More information

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

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¹ If applicable.