

1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (DE)⁽¹⁾

Diplom Psychiatrische Gesundheits- und Krankenpflege

⁽¹⁾ in original language

2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE (EN)⁽²⁾

Diploma Psychiatric Nursing

⁽²⁾ This translation has no legal status.

3. PROFILE OF SKILLS AND COMPETENCES

Observation, care and nursing of persons with acute or chronic mental disorders, including institutionalised persons, persons suffering from addictions, mentally ill criminals and persons with intellectual deficiencies, as well as assisting in medical measures in in-patient and out-patient departments, boarding-out, extramural and complementary settings; observation, care and nursing of people with neurological diseases and the resulting accompanying illnesses; working with people suffering from mental disorders and neurological diseases; conducting talks with people suffering from mental disorders and neurological diseases and their family members; psycho-social care, psychiatric and neurological rehabilitation and follow-up care, transitional care

a) Autonomous activities

- Assessing the care needs of the patients or clients and the degree of their dependence on care as well as identification and evaluation of the resources available for meeting these needs (nursing anamnesis)
- identifying care needs (nursing diagnosis)
- planning of care, defining nursing objectives and deciding on nursing measures to be taken (planning of nursing care)
- performing nursing measures
- analysing the results of nursing measures (evaluation of nursing care)
- providing information on disease prevention and taking measures of health promotion; psycho-social care
- documenting the nursing process; organising nursing care
- instructing and supervising auxiliary personnel; instructing and supporting students during their training
- co-operating in nursing research
- performing life-saving emergency procedures if and as long as there is no doctor available

b) Activities with shared responsibility

Performing diagnostic and therapeutic measures on a doctor's orders, such as administering medicines, preparing and administering injections, taking blood from veins or capillaries, etc.

c) Interdisciplinary activities

Co-operating in measures to prevent diseases and accidents as well as to maintain and promote health; preparing patients or persons needing care and their family members for discharge from the hospital or nursing care institution and providing assistance in the continuation of care; health counselling; counselling and arranging for care during and after physical or mental illness

4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE⁽³⁾

Particularly hospitals, other establishments under medical or nursing management or supervision that specialise in the prevention, diagnosis or treatment of diseases or in follow-up care, care of disabled persons, nursing of persons needing care or in collecting blood or blood components or that offer other health and social services; medical practitioners; institutions or authorities offering home nursing and as a self-employed person.

Pursuit of regulated professions on a self-employed basis:

Upon notification of the district administrative authority according to Art. 36 of the *Gesundheits- und Krankenpflegegesetz (GuKG; Health Care and Nursing Act)*, nurses with a Diploma in Psychiatric Nursing are entitled to work on a self-employed basis.

⁽³⁾ if applicable

(*) Explanatory note

This document has been developed with a view to providing additional information on individual certificates; it has no legal effect in its own right. These explanatory notes refer to the Council Resolution no. 2241/2004/EG of the European parliament and the Council of 15 December 2004 on a single Community framework for the transparency of qualifications and competences (Europass).

Any section of these notes which the issuing authorities consider irrelevant may remain blank.

More information on transparency is available at: <http://europass.cedefop.europa.eu> or www.europass.at

5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE

<p>Name and status of the body awarding the certificate Educational institution for psychiatric nurses; Specialised course for paediatric nurses (<i>Sonderausbildung</i>) for the address: see the diploma</p>	<p>Name and status of the national/regional authority providing accreditation/recognition of the certificate Federal Ministry of Labour, Social Affairs, Health and Consumer Protection</p>
<p>Level of the certificate (national or international) ISCED 454 or 453 Diploma in terms of the Directive 2005/36/EG, article 11 lit. c) ii)</p>	<p>Grading scale / Pass requirements <u>Theoretical instruction:</u> excellent (1); good (2); satisfactory (3); sufficient (4); not sufficient (5) <u>Practical training:</u> pass with distinction; good pass; pass; fail <u>Overall rating of the performance at the diploma examination:</u> pass with distinction; good pass; pass; fail</p>
<p>Access to next level of education/training Access to specialised courses, vocational matriculation examination (<i>Berufsreifeprüfung</i>), university courses, nursing science studies after passing the matriculation examination, training for special allied health professions and for midwives</p>	<p>International agreements</p>
<p>Legal basis <i>Gesundheits- und Krankenpflegegesetz</i> (Health Care and Nursing Act), BGBl. (Federal Law Gazette) I No. 108/1997, as amended <i>Gesundheits- und Krankenpflege-Ausbildungsverordnung</i> (Ordinance on Training in Health Care and Nursing), BGBl. (Federal Law Gazette) II No. 179/1999 <i>Gesundheits- und Krankenpflege-Spezialaufgaben-Verordnung</i> (Ordinance on Special Duties in Health Care and Nursing), BGBl. II Nr. 452/2005</p>	

6. OFFICIALLY RECOGNISED WAYS OF ACQUIRING THE CERTIFICATE

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Specialised basic training in psychiatric nursing at an educational institution for psychiatric nurses under the <i>Gesundheits- und Krankenpflege-Ausbildungsverordnung</i> (Ordinance on Training in Health Care and Nursing) • Specialised course in psychiatric nursing (<i>Sonderausbildung</i>) after completion of training in general nursing or specialised basic training in paediatric nursing under the <i>Gesundheits- und Krankenpflege-Spezialaufgaben-Verordnung</i> (Ordinance on Special Duties in Health Care and Nursing) • short training course for auxiliary nurses at an educational institution for psychiatric nurses under the <i>Gesundheits- und Krankenpflege-Ausbildungsverordnung</i> (Ordinance on Training in Health Care and Nursing)
<p>Additional information:</p> <p>Entry requirements: Specialised basic training (<i>Spezielle Grundausbildung</i>): Physical and mental fitness; trustworthiness; successful completion of ten school grades; admission test or interview. A board decides on admission. Specialised course (<i>Sonderausbildung</i>): Vocational competence in general nursing or paediatric nursing; admission test or interview. Decision on admission is made by the legal representative that arranges the specialised course in consultation with the head of the specialised course.</p> <p>Duration of education: Specialised basic training: 3 years (4,600 hours); Specialised course (<i>Sonderausbildung</i>): one year (1,600 hours)</p> <p>Theoretical instruction: Specialised basic training: 2,000 hours; Specialised course (<i>Sonderausbildung</i>): 800 hours <u>Subjects of the Specialised basic training:</u> nursing, including nutrition, first aid and hygiene; psychiatric and neurological nursing; care of elderly people, palliative care; medical foundations, including psychopathology, psychiatric and neurological diseases, pharmacology; gerontology, geriatrics and gerontopsychiatry; profession-specific ergonomics and bodywork; sociology, psychology, pedagogy and socio-cultural aspects; conducting interviews, psycho-social care and working with family members; supervision; creativity training; structures and institutions in the field of health and social care, organisation theory; IT, special informatics, statistics and documentation; legislation relevant for nursing; medical English</p> <p>Practical training: Specialised basic training: 2,480 hours; Specialised course (<i>Sonderausbildung</i>): 800 hours: acute and sub-acute psychiatric care; neurology; neuro-surgery; long-term care/rehabilitative care; extramural nursing, care and counselling;</p> <p>Autonomous portion of the curriculum: Specialised basic training: 120 hours of theoretical or practical training as defined by the educational institution</p> <p>Education objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Providing the qualifications required for taking over and performing all activities covered by the profession • promoting a basic mindset respecting the life, dignity and fundamental rights of all human beings irrespective of their nationality, ethnic or social origin, race, sex, language, religion or political opinion, and responsible, autonomous and humane treatment of healthy, disabled, diseased and dying people • providing knowledge and learning how to apply methods to maintain one's own health potential • orientating care in line with a scientifically recognised theory of care • providing knowledge on how to plan, implement, document and evaluate optimum care • promoting creative work, communication and co-operation <p>More information (including a description of the national qualification system) is available at: www.zeugnisisinfo.at and www.edusystem.at</p> <p>National Europass Center: europass@oead.at Ebendorferstraße 7, A-1010 Wien; Tel. + 43 1 53408-684 or 685</p>