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V.5. Midwife

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5.5.1. Training programme for midwives (Training types I and II)

The training programme for obtaining evidence of formal qualifications in midwifery consists of the following two parts:

A. Theoretical and technical instruction

a. General subjects

- Basic anatomy and physiology
- Basic pathology
- Basic bacteriology, virology and parasitology
- Basic biophysics, biochemistry and radiology
- Paediatrics, with particular reference to new-born infants
- Hygiene, health education, preventive medicine, early diagnosis of diseases
- Nutrition and dietetics, with particular reference to women, new-born and young babies
- Basic sociology and socio-medical questions
- Basic pharmacology
- Psychology
- Principles and methods of teaching
- Health and social legislation and health organisation
- Professional ethics and professional legislation
- Sex education and family planning
- Legal protection of mother and infant

b. Subjects specific to the activities of midwives

- Anatomy and physiology
- Embryology and development of the foetus
- Pregnancy, childbirth and puerperium
- Gynaecological and obstetrical pathology
- Preparation for childbirth and parenthood, including psychological aspects
- Preparation for delivery (including knowledge and use of technical equipment in obstetrics)
- Analgesia, anaesthesia and resuscitation
- Physiology and pathology of the new-born infant
- Care and supervision of the new-born infant
- Psychological and social factors

B. Practical and clinical training

This training is to be dispensed under appropriate supervision:

- Advising of pregnant women, involving at least 100 pre-natal examinations.
- Supervision and care of at least 40 pregnant women.
- Conduct by the student of at least 40 deliveries; where this number cannot be reached owing to the lack of available women in labour, it may be reduced to a minimum of 30, provided that the student assists with 20 further deliveries.
- Active participation with breech deliveries. Where this is not possible because of lack of breech deliveries, practice may be in a simulated situation.
- Performance of episiotomy and initiation into suturing. Initiation shall include theoretical instruction and clinical practice. The practice of suturing includes suturing of the wound following an episiotomy and a simple perineal laceration. This may be in a simulated situation if absolutely necessary.
- Supervision and care of 40 women at risk in pregnancy, or labour or post-natal period.
- Supervision and care (including examination) of at least 100 post-natal women and healthy new-born infants.
- Observation and care of the new-born requiring special care, including those born pre-term, post-term, underweight or ill.
- Care of women with pathological conditions in the fields of gynaecology and obstetrics.
- Initiation into care in the field of medicine and surgery. Initiation shall include theoretical instruction and clinical practice.

The theoretical and technical training (Part A of the training programme) shall be balanced and coordinated with the clinical training (Part B of the same programme) in such a way that the knowledge and experience listed in this Annex may be acquired in an adequate manner.

Clinical instruction shall take the form of supervised in-service training in hospital departments or other health services approved by the competent authorities or bodies. As part of this training, student midwives shall participate in the activities of the departments concerned in so far as those activities contribute to their training. They shall be taught the responsibilities involved in the activities of midwives.

5.5.2. Evidence of formal qualifications of midwives

| Country | Evidence of formal qualifications | Body awarding the evidence of qualifications | Professional title | Reference date |
|---------------------------------|---|---|---|----------------|
| België/ Belgique/ Belgien | Diploma van vroedvrouw/Diplôme d'accoucheuse | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – De erkende opleidingsinstituten/Les établissements d'enseignement – De bevoegde Examen- commissie van de Vlaamse Gemeenschap/Le Jury compétent d'enseignement de la Communauté française | Vroedvrouw/Accoucheuse | 23.1.1983 |
| България | Диплома за висше образование на образователно-квалификационна степен "Бакалавър" с професионална квалификация "Акушерка" | Университет | Акушерка | 1.1.2007 |
| Česká republika | <p>1. Diplom o ukončení studia ve studijním programu ošetrovatelství ve studijním oboru porodní asistentka (bakalář, Bc.)¹</p> <p>2. Diplom o ukončení studia ve studijním oboru diplomovaná porodní asistentka (diplomovaný specialista, DiS). – Vysvědčení o absolutoriu</p> | <p>1. Vysoká škola zřízená nebo uznaná státem</p> <p>2. Vyšší odborná škola zřízená nebo uznaná státem</p> | Porodní asistentka/porodní asistent | 1.5.2004 |
| Danmark | Bevis for bestået jordemodereksamen | Danmarks jordemoderskole | Jordemoder | 23.1.1983 |
| Deutschland | Zeugnis über die staatliche Prüfung für Hebammen und Entbindungspfleger | Staatlicher Prüfungsausschuss | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Hebamme – Entbindungspfleger | 23.1.1983 |
| Eesti | Diplom ämmaemanda erialal | <p>1. Tallinna Meditsiinikool</p> <p>2. Tartu Meditsiinikool</p> | – Ämmaemand | 1.5.2004 |
| Ελλάς | <p>1. Πτυχίο Τμήματος Μαιευτικής Τεχνολογικών Εκπαιδευτικών Ιδρυμάτων (Τ.Ε.Ι.)</p> <p>2. Πτυχίο του Τμήματος Μαιών της Ανωτέρας Σχολής Στελεχών Υγείας και Κοινων. Πρόνοιας (ΚΑΤΕΕ)</p> <p>3. Πτυχίο Μαιίας Ανωτέρας Σχολής Μαιών</p> | <p>1. Τεχνολογικά Εκπαιδευτικά Ιδρύματα (Τ.Ε.Ι.)</p> <p>2. ΚΑΤΕΕ Υπουργείου Εθνικής Παιδείας και Θρησκευμάτων</p> <p>3. Υπουργείο Υγείας και Πρόνοιας</p> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Μαία – Μαιευτής | 23.1.1983 |
| España | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Título de matrona – Título de asistente obstétrico (matrona) – Título de enfermería obstétrica-ginecológica | Ministerio de Educación y Cultura | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Matrona – Asistente obstétrico | 1.1.1986 |
| France | Diplôme de sage-femme | L'Etat | Sage-femme | 23.1.1983 |

¹ Communication from the Commission, OJ C 114 of 19.5.2009, p. 1

| Country | Evidence of formal qualifications | Body awarding the evidence of qualifications | Professional title | Reference date |
|--------------|---|--|--------------------|----------------|
| Ireland | Certificate in Midwifery | An Board Altranais | Midwife | 23.1.1983 |
| Italia | Diploma d'ostetrica | Scuole riconosciute dallo Stato | Ostetrica | 23.1.1983 |
| Κύπρος | Δίπλωμα στο μεταβασικό πρόγραμμα Μαιευτικής | Νοσηλευτική Σχολή | Εγγεγραμμένη Μαία | 1.5.2004 |
| Latvija | Diploms par vecmātes kvalifikācijas iegūšanu | Māsu skolas | Vecmāte | 1.5.2004 |
| Lietuva | 1. Aukštojo mokslo diplomas, nurodantis suteiktą bendrosios praktikos slaugytojo profesinę kvalifikaciją, ir profesinės kvalifikacijos pažymėjimas, nurodantis suteiktą akušerio profesinę kvalifikaciją – Pažymėjimas, liudijantis profesinę praktiką akušerijoje 2. Aukštojo mokslo diplomas (neuniversitetinės studijos), nurodantis suteiktą bendrosios praktikos slaugytojo profesinę kvalifikaciją, ir profesinės kvalifikacijos pažymėjimas, nurodantis suteiktą akušerio profesinę kvalifikaciją – Pažymėjimas, liudijantis profesinę praktiką akušerijoje 3. Aukštojo mokslo diplomas (neuniversitetinės studijos), nurodantis suteiktą akušerio profesinę kvalifikaciją | 1. Universitetas 2. Kolegija 3. Kolegija | Akušeris | 1.5.2004 |
| Luxembourg | Diplôme de sage-femme | Ministère de l'éducation nationale, de la formation professionnelle et des sports | Sage-femme | 23.1.1983 |
| Magyarország | Szülész nő bizonyítvány | Iskola/főiskola | Szülész nő | 1.5.2004 |
| Malta | Lawrja jew diploma fl- Istudji tal-Qwiebel | Universita` ta' Malta" | Qabla | 1.5.2004 |
| Nederland | Diploma van verloskundige | Door het Ministerie van Volksgezondheid, Welzijn en Sport erkende opleidingsinstellingen | Verloskundige | 23.1.1983 |
| Österreich | 1. Hebammen-Diplom 2. Diplom über den Abschluss des Fachhochschul-Bachelorstudiengangs "Hebamme" ² | 1. – Hebammenakademie – Bundeshebammenlehranstalt 2. Fachhochschulrat | Hebamme | 1.1.1994 |

² Communication from the Commission, OJ C 322 of 17.12.2008, p. 3

| Country | Evidence of formal qualifications | Body awarding the evidence of qualifications | Professional title | Reference date |
|-------------------|--|--|---|----------------|
| Polska | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dyplom ukończenia studiów wyższych na kierunku położnictwo z tytułem "magister położnictwa" - Dyplom ukończenia studiów wyższych zawodowych na kierunku/specjalności położnictwo z tytułem "licencjat położnictwa"³ | Instytucja prowadząca kształcenie na poziomie wyższym uznana przez właściwe | Położna | 1.5.2004 |
| Portugal | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Diploma de enfermeiro especialista em enfermagem de saúde materna e obstétrica 2. Diploma/carta de curso de estudos superiores especializados em enfermagem de saúde materna e obstétrica 3. Diploma (do curso de pós-licenciatura) de especialização em enfermagem de saúde materna e obstétrica | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Ecolas de Enfermagem 2. Escolas Superiores de Enfermagem 3. - Escolas Superiores de Enfermagem <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Escolas Superiores de Saúde | Enfermeiro especialista em enfermagem de saúde materna e obstétrica | 1.1.1986 |
| România | Diplomă de licență de moașă | Universități | Moașă | 1.1.2007 |
| Slovenija | Diploma, s katero se podeljuje strokovni naslov "diplomirana babica/diplomirani babičar" | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Univerza 2. Visoka strokovna šola | diplomirana babica/diplomirani babičar | 1.5.2004 |
| Slovensko | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vysokoškolský diplom o udelení akademického titulu "bakalár z pôrodnej asistencie" ("Bc.") 2. Absolventský diplom v študijnom odbore diplomovaná pôrodná asistentka | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Vysoká škola 2. Stredná zdravotnícka škola | Pôrodná asistentka | 1.5.2004 |
| Suomi/ Finland | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Kätilön tutkinto/barnmorskeexamen 2. Sosiaali- ja terveystieteiden ammattikorkeakoulututkinto, kätilö (AMK)/yrkeshögskoleexamen inom hälsovård och det sociala området, barnmorska (YH) | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Terveystieteiden tutkimuskeskus/laitokset/hälsövärdsläroanstalter 2. Ammattikorkeakoulut/ Yrkeshögskolor | Kätilö/Barnmorska | 1.1.1994 |
| Sverige | Barnmorskeexamen | Universitet eller högskola | Barnmorska | 1.1.1994 |
| United Kingdom | Statement of registration as a Midwife on part 10 of the register kept by the United Kingdom Central Council for Nursing, Midwifery and Health visiting | Various | Midwife | 23.1.1983 |

³ Communication from the Commission. OJ C 137 of 4.6.2008, p. 8

| Country | Evidence of formal qualifications | Body awarding the evidence of qualifications | Professional title | Reference date |
|---------------|--|---|--------------------|----------------|
| Ísland | 1. Embættispróf í ljósmóðurfræði 2. Próf í ljósmæðrafræðum | 1. Háskóli Íslands 2. Ljósmæðraskóli Íslands | Ljósmóðir | 1.1.1994 |
| Liechtenstein | The diplomas, certificates and other titles awarded in another State to which this Directive applies and listed in the present Annex | Competent authorities | Hebamme | 1.5.1995 |
| Norge | Vitnemål for bestått jordmorutdanning | Høgskole | Jordmor | 1.1.1994 |

