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Recognition of health professions in South Tyrol / Italy

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Health professions in Italy

- ApothekerIn (Druggist)
- ChirurgIn (Surgeon)
- AllgemeinmedizinerIn (General practitioner)
- FacharztIn (Medical specialist)
- ZahnarztIn (Dentist)
- TierarztIn (Veterinarian)
- Psychologe, Psychotherapeut

These professions will only be recognised via the Ministry of Health, Rome.



Health professions in Italy

- KrankenpflegerIn (Hospital nurse)
- Hebamme (Midwife)
- Pädiatrischer KrankenpflegerIn (Pediatric nurse)
- Podologe/In (Podiatrist)
- PhysiotherapeutIn
- Logopäde/In (Speech therapist)
- OrthoptistIn
- TherapeutIn der Neuro-und Psychomotorik des Entwicklungsalters
- TechnikerIn der psychiatrischen Rehabilitation
- ErgotherapeutIn (Occupational therapist)
- BerufserzieherIn (Occupational educator)



Health professions in Italy

- Gehörmesstechniker (Technician in hearing measurement)
- Biomedizinische/r AnalytikerIn
- Medizinisch-technische/r RadiologieassistentIn
- TechnikerIn für Neurophysiopathologie
- OrthopädietechnikerIn
- TechnikerIn für Gehörprothesen (Technician for hearing prostheses)
- TechnikerIn für Physiopathologie
- DentalhygienikerIn
- ErnährungstherapeutIn (Nutrition therapist)
- TechnikerIn der Vorbeugung im Bereich Umwelt und Arbeit
(Technician of prevention in environment and work)
- SanitätsassistentIn (Sanitary assistant)



Auxiliary professions within the health sector

- Masseur and bath attendant (massaggiatore e capo bagnino degli stabilimenti idroterapici)
- Optician
- Dental technician

Other professions

- PflegehelferIn (Nursing assistant)

The auxiliary professions and the nursing assistant are only recognised by the Ministry of Health, Rome.



Two recognition procedures

1. Because of an implementation regulation within the Statute of Autonomy (D.P.R. 197/1980) the Autonomous Province of Bolzano-South Tyrol is entitled to release **declarations of equivalence** for the health professions that do not comprise doctors if the demand is proved. This declaration is only valid within the territory of South Tyrol.
2. The **recognition** procedure of the Ministry of Health in Rome is carried out for the formations completed within the European Union on the basis of European legislation (general and sectoral directives). Currently, the valid directive is 2005/36/EG.



Declaration of equivalence of the province of South Tyrol

The declaration of equivalence is only valid within the territory of South Tyrol. The petition is directed to the Regional Authority for Education of Health Professionals.

A specifically nominated expert commission will inspect the petitions in regard of fulfilled requirements, training contents, practical experience and degree and finally gives its opinion.



Requirements for entry

A petition can only be submitted by EU-citizens having finished their professional education in a German-speaking country (Austria, Germany and Switzerland).

Duration: approximately 2 to 3 months

Costs: The entire procedure is free of charge



Necessary documents

The petition shall be supplemented by the following documents:

1. Authenticated copy of a diploma acquired in a German-speaking state, along with an official translation
2. Study programme (authenticated copy) for the respective education, along with the number of hours prescribed for single subjects and contents and an indication of the required hours of practical parts (issued by the educational institution), along with an official translation
3. EU-certificate of conformity of the educational degree, issued by the responsible government agency (Ministry of Health), along with an official translation
4. Copy of the A-level certificate (Matura/Abitur)
→ higher education entrance qualification
5. Photocopy of the identity card



Number of declarations of equivalence issued

Titel - titolo	bis-fino 2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	insgesamt - totale
Krankenpfleger/In - infermiere/a	17	4	3	2	2	4	0	3	3	5	1	44
KinderkrankpflegerIn - infermiere/a pediatrico/a	0	0	0	1	1	5	1	1	0	0	1	10
ErnährungstherapeutIn - dietista	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	5
PhysiotherapeutIn - fisioterapista	9	4	5	4	3	12	7	14	8	9	15	90
LogopädeIn - logopedista	4	1	0	2	2	0	0	1	1	3	1	15
OrthoptikerIn - ortottista	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hebamme - ostetrica	0	4	1	1	4	0	1	0	2	1	0	14
Biomedizinischer AnalytikerIn - tecnico sanitario di laboratorio biomedico	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	0	1	0	12
Medizinisch-technischer RadiologieassistentIn - tecnico sanitario di radiologia medica	0	0	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	1	1	7
ErgotherapeutIn - terapeuta occupazionale	2	2	0	1	0	1	1	2	0	1	1	11

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Recognition via the Ministry of Health in Rome

The acquired permit to exercise the profession will be valid at national level.

The Regional Authority for Education of Health Professionals provides assistance with the completion of standard forms and with the preparation of necessary documents, which shall be submitted to the Ministry of Health.



Petition and necessary documents

The following standard forms for petitions can be downloaded from the website of the Ministry of Health (www.salute.gov.it):

- MODELLO A1: doctors, medical specialists, dentists, veterinarians and druggists
- MODELLO A2: general practitioners
- MODELLO M: psychologists and psychotherapists
- MODELLO A3: hospital nurses and midwives
- MODELLO B: all other qualifications (e.g. physiotherapist, speech therapist, nutrition therapist, pediatric nurses etc.)

The documents to be attached are compiled within the respective ALLEGATI (Allegato A1, Allegato B etc.)



Hints

- **Translations** must be carried out by a sworn translator.
- All petitions have to be supplemented by the **EU-certificate of conformity** for the respective diploma, issued by the responsible government agency (Ministry of Health). In some countries, this certificate is only available for applicants who have practiced their profession for at least 3 of the last 5 years within their country.
- The applicants can **authenticate** the documents by completing a substitute statement of the testimony certificate (Notorietätsakt) and attaching a copy of the identity card.



Procedure

- The petition is submitted to the responsible department in the Ministry of Health.
- It is inspected by the „Conferenza dei Servizi“.
- If this commission judges the professional education as not sufficient, the applicant shall exercise a compensatory measure consisting of an examination or an internship/practical training which the applicant can select.
- A decree of approval is issued.

Duration

The duration can vary considerably, e.g. from 2 months for hospital nurses up to 6 months for other profession.

Costs

1. If the professional qualification is approved/recognised without compensatory measure, the procedure will be free of charge.
2. If a compensatory measure is foreseen, the following expenses can be calculated:
 - for the examination 300,00 Euro
 - for the internship 300,00 Euro per semester (450 ECTS).



Thanks for your attention

