Update of Paediatric Nursing in Germany

- Past – Presence – Future –

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81.8 million inhabitants (2011)

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Children in Germany

Abb. 1: Zahl der minderjährigen Kinder 2000 und 2010 (Statistisches Bundesamt)
"Aging society"

Bevölkerungsentwicklung in Altersklassen

1950 2008 2040

Quelle: Statistisches Bundesamt 2006

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Professional Nursing in Germany

3 Nursing professions

Nursing for children
Nursing for adults
Nursing for elderly people

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Professional Nursing in Germany

- about 50,000 Paediatric Nurses (2009)
  - about 38,000 in hospitals (2009)
  - about 6,500 students (2010/2011)

- about 485,000 Nurses for adults (2009)
  - about 324,000 in hospitals (2009)
  - about 60,000 students (2010/2011)

- about 195,000 Nurses for elderly people (2009)
  - about 52,000 students (2010/2011)

Professional Nursing in Germany

- 3 years of vocational training

- state accredited nursing schools
  - state examination

- regulated by state law
  - no registration
Gesundheits- und Kinderkrankenpflege

Krankenpflegegesetz
Ausbildungs- und Prüfungsverordnung
2003

- 2100 hours of theory
- 2500 hours in practice
  - 2400 hours in the common part
    (1300 hours in practice)
  - 1200 hours in the special part
    (500 hours of theory and 700 hours in practice)

Fields of Paediatric Nursing

- health promotion and prevention
- early childhood intervention (early prevention)
- Care for acute and chronically ill children and adolescents
  - in hospitals
  - in ambulatory and home care
  - in long-term care
- specialized palliative care for children and adolescents
- adolescent transition care
1980 established as Arbeitskreis der Kinderkrankenschwestern (AKK) e.V. in Hannover

1982 Journal „Kinderkrankenschwester”

1991 Berufsverband für Kinderkrankenschwestern und Kinderkrankenpfleger (BKK) e.V.

1998 Member of Deutscher Pflegerat (DPR) since its foundation

2000 Berufsverband Kinderkrankenpflege Deutschland (BeKD) e.V.

represents today nearly 2000 Paediatric nurses and nursing students (membership is voluntary)

‟Different to nursing care for adults, these nurses must train their eyes and ears, observe and learn, to have an adequate feeling for the child. Therefore they need more than love for children and idealism. They need a special training, that they get from pediatric physicians.”

(Schloßmann quot. by Toepfer 1992 – translated by FL)
Professor Arthur Schloßmann (1867-1932)

1898 Säuglingsheim für kranke Kinder in Dresden

Säuglingspflegerinnenschule
History of Paediatric Nursing in Germany

Vorschriften über die staatliche Prüfung von Säuglingspflegerinnen

Preußen (Prussia) 1917

-> first state acknowledged separate professional training for paediatric nurses in Germany
### Nursing education in Germany

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### Beds in hospitals

![Beds in hospitals chart](chart.png)

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(GKinD 2012)
Days of caring in hospitals

Cases in hospitals

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People who need nursing care in Germany = 2.3 millions

Children under 15 years: 66.474

(Pflegestatistik 2009)

Anteil pflegebedürftiger Kinder und Jugendlicher unter 15 Jahren an der Gesamtzahl pflegebedürftiger Menschen in Deutschland Ende 2009

Providers of home care in Germany: 12,026

(Pflegestatistik 2009)

Providers of Paediatric home care: 160

(BHK interne Statistik)
Changing parental competences

- Influencing factors:
  -露天ten neuer Erkrankungen
  - Zunahme an medizinischen, diagnostischen und therapeutischen Techniken
  - Überlebens-
    - chronisch
    - kranker Röder und Kinder mit einer Behinderung

- Anforderungen an die Dependenz
  - Entwicklung und Stabilität der Dependenzpflegekern

Abb. 1: Grifischlich relevante Einflussfaktoren auf die Dependenzpflege

(Holoch 2002)

Nursing education in Germany

- March 2012
  - "Key points for a new law on the nursing profession"
    - What happens to paediatric nursing?
    - Do we need a "one for all" general nurse?
    - What happens, if paediatric nursing becomes a post-graduate qualification?
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Why Paediatric Nursing?

Decreasing numbers of births and children in Germany

Increasing need of support-systems and counselling due to

- changes of life styles in families
- changes of social background
- changes of diseases
- decreasing parental competences (dependent-care agency)
We need a strong and independent Paediatric Nursing for the welfare of the children and their families in an outstanding situation.

The developing child in its special situation of vulnerability and dependence on other people needs nurses with a special professional training.

"Childhood needs our care !"