Paediatric Nurses across Europe – re-registration and continuing professional development

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Postal survey

• **24** countries responded (position at 17\textsuperscript{th} February 2012)

2 key areas:

- Registration of Nurses
- Continuing Professional Development
Countries that have responded

- Austria
- Belgium
- Croatia
- Czech Republic
- Denmark
- Finland
- France
- Germany
- Greece
- Iceland
- Ireland
- Italy
- Luxemburg
- Netherlands
- Norway
- Portugal
- Republic Serbia
- Slovakia
- Slovenia
- Spain
- Sweden
- Switzerland
- Turkey
- United Kingdom
Countries not responded

- Cyprus
- Estonia
- Hungary
- Latvia
- Lithuania
- Malta
- Macedonia
- Poland
- Romania
Registration of nurses?

In your country is there a national register of nurses held by a regulatory or professional body?

YES = 22  NO = 2

Specific register for paediatric nurses?

Yes = 5  No = 17
Registration of Nurses

• Nurses required to re-register at periodic intervals

YES = 12  NO = 10  N/A = 2

(1 – it is the Law but does not happen)
Every year = 4 (+ 1 where employer is required to do so every year)
Every 3 years = 1 (with licence fee annually)
Every 5 years = 1
Every 6 years = 2
Every 7 years = 2
Continuing professional development

• Nurses required to provide evidence of professional development and maintenance of knowledge, skills and competences in order to re-register and continue to practice as a nurse?

YES = 13  NO = 10  YES/NO = 1

Work in progress – not yet completed
Continuing professional development

• Is there a requirement for a specified number of hours attending theoretical updating?

  YES = 10  NO = 14

How many theory hours are required?

- 15 hours each year - 75 points
- ECM 30 each year - 390 hours (21 credits)
- 24 hours each year - 40 credits
- 40 hours each year
  - 35 hours over 3 years
- 40 hours over 5 years
Continuing professional development

• Is there a requirement for a specified number of hours spent in clinical practice?
  
  Yes = 5          No = 19

• How many clinical practice hours are required?
  - 240 hours (Turkey)
  - 450 hours over 3 years (UK)
  - 2080 hours over 5 years (Netherlands)
  - number of hours not stated (Slovakia)
  - 1 year (50%) in a 10 year period (Czech republic)
Continuing professional development

• Are nurses required to submit a portfolio of evidence for review?

Yes = 3*  No = 20

* Random sample checked per annum/ all when re-registering
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