

## “PreQual Steps”

### European dimensions within the intercultural qualification for migrant women entering the health and care sector

Pre-Qualification for Migrant Women in the Health and Care Sector (PreQual) is a collaborative project of 5 European countries within the Leonardo da Vinci Vocational Trainings Programme, whose main aim is to support migrant women in the health and care sector, to match the labor market needs with those of migrant women and to provide a future-oriented and innovative solution.

PreQual has been already concluded in Austria, Germany and Italy and, within the PreQual-steps, the course “Prequalification for migrant women in the health and care sector” is now being implemented in Hungary, Czech Republic, Spain and Greece.

PreQual-Steps and its qualification measure PreQual are based on a completely new concept of education, which represents an interface between regular educational programmes within the field of health and care, educational institutions and migrant women. The concept of the project is based on the pedagogy of Paulo Freire and Augusto Boal following the principles of participation and intercultural education.

#### PreQual Steps– courses:

- Potential participants and frame conditions:

Potential participants are migrant women who are interested to enter the health and care sector and who are:

- without vocational training or
- whose certificates and diplomas acquired in their countries of origin are not recognized here or
- whose qualification isn't sufficient in order for them to work for the now being

#### Conditions of participation for the prequalification program:

- basic knowledge of Greek language (to be able to understand the course)

- Main course contents:

#### 1. Theoretical training

- Introduction to the field of nursing – from an intercultural perspective (Concept of work and the fields of work in the health and care sector, law, communication and conflict management, first aid course)

- Personal Orientation within the Health and Social Care Sector - with consideration of intercultural and antiracist aspects (Personal orientation, ethics, law)
  - Language and communication skills with an occupational-related focus (Introduction to medical terminology, occupational-related language training, ICT-Training, etc...)
2. Practical training
- Internship and Coaching

The course participants receive certificates, which will document what their knowledge. The project aims to help and counsel the participants in their further job seeking.

There will be no tuition fees for the course's participants.

- Course Duration:

The course will be implemented from October 2008 until March 2009 and the programme will be completed by November 2009.

**Partners:**

**Greece:** Antigone - Information & Documentation Centre on Racism, Ecology, Peace and Non Violence, [www.antigone.gr](http://www.antigone.gr)

**Hungary:** DemNet - Foundation for Development of Democratic Rights, [www.demnet.org.hu](http://www.demnet.org.hu)

**Spain :** IEPALA - Instituto de Estudios Politicos Para América Latina y Africa, [www.iepala.es](http://www.iepala.es)

**Austria:** maiz - autonomous centre by and for migrant women, [www.maiz.at](http://www.maiz.at)

**Czech Republic :** Sofia, [www.cet-sofia.cz](http://www.cet-sofia.cz)

PreQual-steps project website: <http://prequalsteps.maiz.at>

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