

# Nurses Association of Serbia – Section of Paediatrics

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Section of Paediatrics was established in 1996 as integral part of the Nurses Association of Serbia. The section gathers paediatric nurses from entire country, engaged in preservation and improvement of health and health care of babies, children and young people. Paediatric Section are realizing its activities through the network of branches throughout Serbia. Actions and objectives of the Paediatric Section are in accord with the PNAE and IPNA recommendations, but the realization of these activities is adjusted to the needs of the Serbian paediatric population.

## **Section of Paediatrics – mission and program objectives**

- Improvement of health care of children and teenagers in Serbia.
- Using UN Convention on the rights of child in order to present and promote health, welfare and development of children.
- Encouraging professional communication between paediatric nurses in Serbia and Europe in order to improve health care of children and young people.
- Creating guidelines, by the PNAE recommendations, for defining safe level of paediatric nursing staff in Serbia, on all levels of health care.
- By the recommendations of PNAE, section of paediatrics is creating a common standards of paediatric practice in nursing, education, management and research.
- Development of module for monitoring specific paediatric quality indicators of health care in paediatrics and possibilities for implementation of clinical quality indicators for paediatrics in our country.
- Implementation of European Charter for children in hospital – EASN recommendations
- Protection of children from all forms of violence and molestation
- Promotion and protection of childrens right in hospital.
- Preservation, protection and improvement of childrens health care, protecting children from all forms of violence, neglect and molestation, protection of childrens rights – basic human rights.

## **Section of Paediatrics - Vision**

- Establishing a platform of actions and clear vision for development of paediatric care in Serbia and throughout Europe.
- Promoting common standards of paediatric practice in nursing, education, management and research.
- Active work in standardization of nursing procedures and increasing safety of children and young people in stationary health institutions.
- Through its activities, Paediatric Section of Nurses Association of Serbia will try to ensure quality and safety of health care on which children are entitled in any time and in any circumstances.

- Contributing reforms of education for paediatric nurses by advocating for specialization in paediatric nursing, in accordance with PNAE recommendations and EU standards for nursing education.

- Together with the other PNAE members, Paediatric section advocates for standardization of formal educational programs for paediatric nurses in European level and also for further improvement of paediatric nurses and their free movement between European countries, through recognition of different educational and professional registrations, in accordance with the recommendations of PNAE and EU.

- Proactively informs and contacts other european organizations about the relevant issues regarding the paediatric nursing.

- Contact and cooperation with the other european organizations for childrens health and welfare, in Serbia and Europe, especially with the EACH.

- Cooperation with national associations of paediatric nurses throughout Europe and world, using their experience in developing standards of practice, guidelines and work protocols adjusted to serbian conditions.

Since 2009 Nurses Association of Serbia – Section of Paediatrics is a member of PNAE.

Paediatric section has had several activities on european level:

1. Participation in survey of paediatric nurses in our country, defining safe nursing staff in the stationary paediatric institutions.
2. Participation in survey about the factors affecting right medication and most frequent errors in medication administration and managment in paediatric patients.
3. Participation in survey about nurses education in Serbia
4. Together with the Serbian Chamber of Nurses and Medical Tehcnicians (Mr. Dragan Šašić, director of Chamber) paediatric section took part in a European Commision survey, on a european level, about nursing education in Serbia
5. Work on Code of Ethics for paediatric nurses
6. Actvily participating on PNAE meetings twice a year. Representative of UINARS, nurse Sofija Alijević attended last PNAE meeting in Ljubljana.

In november of 2011, Nurses Association of Serbia- Section of Paediatrics will host the XVIII meeting of PNAE in Belgrade.

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