



HIGHER MEDICAL SCHOOL - BITOLA

University St. Kliment Ohridski - Bitola



Prof. Dr. Domnika Rajchanovska was born in 1960 in Bitola, where she finished primary and secondary education. In 1984 she graduated from the Medical Faculty in Skopje, within the University Ss. Cyril and Methodius. In the period from 1995 until 1999 she completed her specialization in pediatrics, at the Clinic for Children's Diseases in Skopje. In 2007 she completed the postgraduate studies at the Department of Pediatrics at the Medical Faculty in Skopje, where in 2013 she successfully defended her doctoral dissertation, and she acquired the title Doctor of Medical Sciences. She performed professional medical practice from 1986 until December 2012, whereby she acquired great clinical experience. Her teaching activity started in December 2007 when she was elected lecturer at the Higher Medical School in Bitola, in the teaching field of pediatrics. In 2011 she was elected senior lecturer, and in December 2015 she was elected professor at a higher professional school. Since December 2012 she has been working at the Higher Medical School in Bitola, which is a member of the University St. Kliment Ohridski in Bitola. In the period from 2013 until 2015 she performed the function Deputy Director of the School and a member of the University Commission for Teaching and Science. Since the beginning



Director
Prof. Dr. Domnika Rajchanovska

of the academic year of 2015 until now, she has been performing the function Director of the Higher Medical School, and a member of the Rector Administration of the University in Bitola. Prof. Dr. Domnika Rajchanovska is a member of the Macedonian Medical Association, the Doctors' Chamber of Macedonia, the Pediatric Association of Macedonia, the Macedonian Scientific Society, the Department of Health in Bitola, the European Society for Pediatric Infectious Diseases (ESPID), she is the editor-in-chief of the "Macedonian Journal of Nursing", a member of the Honorary Board of the Second Congress of Physical Therapists of the Republic of Macedonia that took place in 2016 in Ohrid, a member of the Organizational Board of the Fifth Macedonian Congress for History of Medicine with international participation, held in Bitola in 2016. In 2010, the Special Commission of the Ministry of Health awarded her a title Primarius, she is the winner of an Acknowledgement, a Diploma and a Plaque from the Macedonian Medical Association and a Diploma from the Doctors' Chamber of Macedonia. In the period from 2012 until 2014 she was working on the European project of the Higher Medical School – Bitola, "Early Childhood Care" ECC (Deliver Preschool Alternative Services – Public Health Study of Families with Preschool Children in the Region of Bitola), and on several occasions she was engaged as a lecturer, within the CME, at the workshops organized by the Society of Private Doctors in the Republic of Macedonia, for lectures on the topics of Growth and Development of an Infant and Anemia in Childhood. She was a mentor of more than 50 diploma works, and a member of a commission for defense of more than 50 diploma works, at the undergraduate studies at the Higher Medical School, a mentor of two specialization papers, a member of a review committee of more than 30 specialization papers at second cycle of specialist vocational studies at the Higher Medical School. She was also a member of a review committee for selection of teachers in scientific teaching titles at the Higher Medical School, on more than ten occasions. Prof. Dr. Domnika Rajchanovska has a rich scientific-research activity. She has published 83 scientific and professional papers in the field of medicine, most of which are in the field of pediatrics, and they originate from her many years of rich clinical experience. The papers are published are presented in congresses in the republic and abroad, as well as in indexed medical journals and in journals with an impact factor.



Deputy Director
Senior Lecturer
Dr. Tanja Jovanovska

Senior Lecturer Dr. Tanja Jovanovska was born in 1964 in Bitola, where she finished primary and secondary education. In 1990 she graduated from the Medical Faculty in Skopje, within the University Ss. Cyril and Methodius. In the period from 2002 until 2005 she completed the specialization in general medicine, at the Medical Faculty in Skopje. In 2010 she finished postgraduate studies in public health at the Medical Faculty in Skopje, and in 2013 she successfully defended her doctoral dissertation at the University in Nish, Republic of Serbia, and she acquired the title Doctor of Medical Sciences. She performed professional medical practice from 1992 until April 2009, whereby she acquired great clinical experience. Her teaching activity started in April 2009 when she was elected assistant at the Higher Medical School in Bitola. In 2010 she was elected lecturer, and in August 2014 she was elected senior lecturer at the Higher Medical School. From 2012 until 2013 she was a member of the Director's Administration of the School, and since 2011 she has been a member of the University Commission for Self-Evaluation. In the period from 2013 to present day she has been a member of the Senate of the University St. Kliment Ohridski. Since 2015 she has been a member of the University Commission for Teaching and Science. From the beginning of the academic year of 2015 to present day, she has been performing the function Deputy Director of the Higher Medical School. Senior Lecturer Dr. Tanja Jovanovska is a member of the Medical Chamber of Macedonia, a member of the editorial board of the "Macedonian Journal of Nursing", a member of the Honorary Board of the Second Congress of Physical Therapists of the Republic of Macedonia that took place in 2016 in Ohrid, a member of the Organizational Board of the Fifth Macedonian Congress for History of Medicine with international participation, held in Bitola, in 2016. In the period from 2012 until 2014 she was working on the European project of the Higher Medical School – Bitola, "Early Childhood Care" ECC (Deliver Preschool Alternative Services – Public Health Study of Families with Preschool Children in the Region of Bitola). She was a mentor of more than 60 diploma works, and a member of a commission for defense of more than 50 diploma works, at the undergraduate studies of the Higher Medical School, a mentor of 13 specialization papers, a member of a review committee of more than 35 specialization papers at second cycle specialist vocational studies at the Higher Medical School. She was also a member of a review committee for selection of teachers in scientific teaching titles at the Higher Medical School, on more than ten occasions. Senior Lecturer Prof. Dr. Tanja Jovanovska has a rich scientific-research activity. She has published 58 scientific and professional papers in the field of medicine, most of which are in the field of public health, and they originate from her many years of rich clinical experience. The papers are published are presented in congresses in the republic and abroad, as well as in indexed medical journals and in journals with an impact factor.

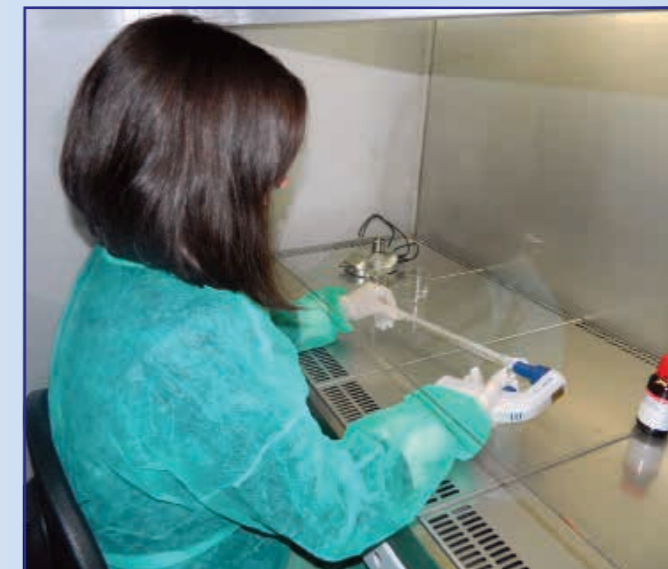


The Higher Medical School in Bitola was founded in 1988, as a part of the University St. Kliment Ohridski, with a single goal: to create educational programs for healthcare professionals, who will receive quality training and education, will be trained to work in different context of healthcare and will be competitive in the global market. The educational staff of the Higher Medical School created and successfully offered to the future students, five undergraduate study programs: three-year vocational university education for nursing, midwifery, medical laboratory analyst, physiotherapy and radiologic technology. Beginning with the academic year of 2017/2018, we expect to start student enrolment to a new study program for sanitary engineers.

Graduate students have an opportunity to enrol to vocational master studies for one year in order to become specialists in one of the 15 study programs we offer: Intensive Care; Surgical Nursing; Mental Health Nursing; Gerontology and Palliative Care; Family and Community Nursing; Oncology Nursing; Biochemical Analysis; Microbiological Analysis; Sanitary Ecology; Rehabilitation in Neurology; Rehabilitation in Surgery, Traumatology and Orthopaedics; Rehabilitation in Patients' Home; Perinatal Care; Primary Healthcare; CT and MRI. The infrastructure for training of the students is well developed in the premises of the Higher Medical School. The institution disposes of a well-equipped Nursing Laboratory, Physiotherapy Laboratory, Biochemical Laboratory and Laboratory for Chemical, Toxicological and Bromatological Analysis. The Higher Medical School collaborates with all healthcare institutions and facilities in the regions of Bitola, Prilep and Ohrid, as well as with several institutions in Skopje. The collaboration with the healthcare community is of great importance for the delivery of quality training that is required and needed by the labour market. In 2018, the Higher Medical School will celebrate its 30 years of successful existence and contribution to the Macedonian higher educational scope. During all these years, the Higher Medical School adapted and implemented all the required reforms in the higher educational system, the most crucial of which were the acceptance and the implementation of the European Credit Transfer System, the Bologna Declaration and the European Directive for Regulated Professions. The implemented reforms provided an opportunity for students to create more individualized curricula, to receive more practical training, to benefit from national and international mobility and to be easily recognized and absorbed as workforce everywhere in the world.



The Higher Medical School is especially active in the mobility programs such as ERASMUS and BASILEUS. From the beginning of the program until now, 2 members of the academic staff have been on ERASMUS mobility, 9 professors from foreign partner universities (Bulgaria, Slovenia, Belgium) had teaching or training mobility at the Higher Medical School through the ERASMUS program, and 1 professor from Greece came to our school through the BASILEUS program. The student mobility is very successful and on the rise each year, with 12 mobilities for studying or training, through the ERASMUS+ program, in the academic year of 2016/2017. Our students can apply for mobilities and choose between study programs at 9 foreign Universities in Bulgaria, Italy, Turkey, Slovenia, Croatia and Belgium. The Higher Medical School is the only Macedonian member of the European Nursing Module Network (ENM). The ENM network provides two-week mobility programs for nursing students. The Higher Medical School provided 2 students to do their mobility in Spain, and so far has received 8 students on mobility from Sweden, Denmark, the Netherlands and Spain. Our staff has created many project applications and so far has successfully implemented two applicative projects financed by IPA Greece - the Former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Cross-Border Program 2007-2013. The project DELIVER PRESCHOOL ALTERNATIVE SERVICES - EARLY CHILDHOOD CARE was conducted in 2013 and 2014, with a budget of 504.000 Euros. The Higher Medical School - University St. Kliment Ohridski was the overall leading partner. The project CROSS BORDER STEM CELL REGENERATIVE MEDICINE CENTER - REMEDIC, was conducted for a period of 16 months during 2015/2016. With this project the Higher Medical School equipped a Laboratory for Regenerative Medicine with Stem Cells, which enriches our research infrastructure. From the program IPA Greece - the former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia Cross-Border Program 2014-2020, the Higher Medical School - University St. Kliment Ohridski received two grants, which are at the beginning of implementation: Psycho-Social and Health Interventions for the Wellbeing of Children from Vulnerable Populations – In 4 CHILD (a total budget of 999.600 Euro) and Healthcare for Children with Cardio and Respiratory Sensitivity in the Cross-Border Area - WECARE (a total budget of 720.000 Euros). The Higher Medical School will continue to strive towards excellence in education and training of healthcare professionals, and to advocate for their rights and role in the healthcare and educational system. We will continue to implement good practices through policy of openness towards the community and the healthcare sector, networking with EU partners in order to continuously upgrade the quality of education.



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