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# Guide/Curriculum for the Training of Teaching Personnel and Concept for LTTA Implementation

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## Guide/Curriculum fort the Training of Teaching Personnel

#### I) General Guide

The training of the teaching staff must take place in various dimensions.

One aspect is the level of expertise on the subject of digitization in the nursing/healthcare industry. In addition, methodological and didactic considerations should be addressed regarding the current or future integration of digital media and methods in teaching. To assess specific training needs, it is advisable to conduct the following surveys/inquiries among the teaching staff:

1) To what extent are digital media currently being utilized in general and integrated into teaching?

2) Is there a media concept in place for the vocational school?

3) Which digital elements (e.g., online media library, learning platform, apps) are currently being used specifically for nursing education at the vocational school and/or in practical training facilities?

4) What is the vocational school's level of equipment and infrastructure in regard to digital elements?

5) How proficient are the teachers, as well as the students, in utilizing digital applications?

- 6) What are the areas of desired professional development:
- a) Practical training for utilizing digital media/tools

b) Technical training on the present and future state of digitalization in healthcare/nursing, focusing on topics such as telematics/telecare, robotics, and supportive software/apps for everyday working life

c) Media-pedagogical trainings for the use of modern methodical-didactical elements.

Based on the answers of the teachers and the objectives of the curriculum, the necessary training units will be planned, involving subject matter experts and organizing the required technical resources. Methods such as peer case consultations, supervision, team teaching/internships with subsequent reflection should be utilized within the teaching team. Therefore, the training sessions should be implemented as application-oriented and collaborative as possible.

Ideally, each teacher should have personal professional development goals, or at least each teaching team (e.g., within a vocational nursing school). The achievement of the professional development goals will be evaluated and documented through an effectiveness assessment, and any additional training needs will be identified.



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**II) Training of Teachers** 

Day 1: Objectives on the Content Level

Lecturers and vocational school teachers familiarize themselves with the content of the curriculum within the thematic blocks:

- 1. Digitalization in the nursing process
- 2. Telecare
- 3. Prevention of demotivation on the job
- 4. Human-Robot-Human Interaction
- 5. Environmental protection

In this context, particular emphasis is placed on discussing the specific learning objectives that should be achieved by the learners on the content level for each thematic block. The presentation will be delivered as a lecture, followed by a discussion on the contents of the lecture, taking into account the teachers' own experiences on the topic.

#### Day 2: Methodology and Didactics of the Learning Units

For mutual inspiration, the educators take turns presenting didactic tips and materials to each other:

1) Presentation of didactic materials.

2) Evaluation of the results of learners' LTTA - Focus: Presentation of the employed teaching methodology/didactics and subsequent reflection.

#### Day 3: Integration of the Results from Days 1 and 2 (Content and Methodology/Didactics) -Derivation of Lesson Plans

In small groups, multiple teaching units of the curricula are developed and planned as instructional sequences in the form of lesson plans.

# Day 4 and Day 5: Integration of the Results from Days 1, 2, and 3 (Formulating and Planning Content as well as Methodology/Didactics as Objectives) - Implementation of Lesson Plans

Each small group implements its lesson plan with the plenary acting as the "student body". Mutual reflection takes place, and action recommendations are derived.

*Finally, a feedback round concludes the session, with each participant providing a statement on their personal learning gains from the event.* 



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#### **Concept for LTTA Implementation**

Programme/Curriculum Time: Approximately 8:00 AM - 3:30 PM Teachers: Teaching personnel (TP)

Goal of the learning unit:

Exploration of the opportunities and challenges posed by digitalization in nursing, fostering various competencies of the learners (subject-specific-, self-related-, methodological-, social competency).

## Didactic principles:

Interlocking theory and practice, logical coherence, reflection and practice phases, promoting student activity and synthesis for sustainable thematic engagement, collaborative methods to enhance social competency, utilization of expert knowledge, variety of methods for diversified learning.

Day	Content	Objectives of the Unit
Day 1	Introduction and interaction	Establish a unified professional
Discourse on the presented	among teachers and learners;	foundation and
curriculum	Evaluation of the curriculum	develop working relationships;
Distinctive features of the	template; Reflection on the	Foster mutual understanding;
country-specific nursing training	curriculum by teachers after initial	Identify commonalities;
	reading; Introduction of a digital	Provide content-related
	platform in nursing education	feedback on the catalog of
	(e.g., Clinical Key).	innovative modules and
		curricula;
		Introduce and present a
		representative digital platform
		for nursing education (e.g.,
		Clinical Key, a European
		provider).
Day 2	Learning in a Different Setting:	Expanding Practical Knowledge
Human-Robot-Human-	Excursion to a care facility with	on Robotics in Nursing;
Interaction	robot deployment (Pepper);	Gaining insights into the
	Class of general nursing education	opportunities, challenges, and
	in the 2nd year and teachers	negative aspects;
	participate in a guided tour and	Engaging with the topic on
	practical demonstration by staff	both emotional and rational
	of the care facility;	levels, including direct
	Observation and interview	interaction with Pepper;
	assignments for the students, e.g.,	Recognizing the psychosocial
	regarding robot	aspects for both - those

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	maintenance/training and psychological aspects related to residents' interaction with the robot.	receiving care and the caregivers in human-robot-human interaction.
Day 3 Human-Robot-Human- Interaction	Teaching Sequence on Human- Robot Interaction: Theory; Input on available robot technology and established use in healthcare; Classroom discussion and practical exercises.	In-depth study of the possibilities, needs, and prerequisites of robotics in healthcare; Active engagement and clarification of one's own standpoint as a (future) nurse/caregiver; Inclusion of ethical considerations; Enhancement of subject expertise in the field; Strengthening of critical analysis and communication skills.
Day 4 Human-Robot-Human- Interaction	The course addresses reflection tasks on the question of applicability (opportunities/limitations or risks) of robots like Pepper; Evaluation of the teaching events.	Further exploration of possibilities, needs, and prerequisites for robotics in nursing; Enhancement of subject expertise in the topic; Strengthening of critical discussion and analytical skills; Evaluation for gaining insights about the teaching unit on robotics.
Day 5 Human-Robot-Human- Interaction	Evaluation of robot deployment in nursing/care from an ethical point of view; Preparation of pro and con group discussions, to be conducted in front of the plenary.	Engagement with psychosocial and ethical issues; Influence on the understanding of the nursing role; Promotion of self- management; Presentation skills; Conflict and teamwork abilities of the participants.
Day 6	Learners receive prompts (nursing scenarios - worked on in groups) and are expected to use a digital	Participants practice the application of digital tools in a real-life professional situation;
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Digitalization, utilization of	platform in nursing education	Enhancement of
professional databases/learning	(e.g., Clinical Key) to analyze	methodological competency.
platforms	complex cases, derive nursing	
	care plans - development phase.	
Day 7	Learners receive prompts (nursing	Participants practice the
Digitalization, utilization of	scenarios - worked on in groups)	application of digital tools in a
professional databases/learning	and are expected to use a digital	real-life professional situation;
platforms	platform in nursing education	Enhancement of
	(e.g., Clinical Key) to analyze	methodological competency.
	complex cases, derive nursing	
	care plans - reflection phase.	
Day 8	Collection of Applications of	Promotion of subject
Digitalization - Application in	Digitalization in Nursing Education	competency, self-competency,
Nursing/Care (Education)	and Practice;	and methodological
	Overview Presentation;	competency; training in
	Preparation of a Gallery	communication;
	Walk/Station Work	consolidation of knowledge.
Day 9	Telecare- model of the future?	Promotion of subject and
Telecare	Chancen/Risiken;	methodological competency;
Technical capabilities and	Practical exercises in pairs for	practicing communication
limitations of distance	communication via telephone;	skills and teamwork;
communication	in face-to-face interaction, via	social competency.
	video conference; information	
	sharing through written	
	documentation.	
Day 10	Practical exercises in small groups	Consolidation of knowledge;
Guidelines for implementing	(preferably with partners of	Promotion of subject-specific
remote communication.	different native languages) for	and methodological
	communication via telephone;	competency; Training in
	in face-to-face interaction, via	communication, including
Evaluation of the program	video conferencing;	remote communication and
	Information dissemination	the use of technical media;
	through written documentation;	Training in teamwork; Social
	Derivation of guidelines for	competency;
	successful implementation of	Practice in analytical and
	each communication method;	reflective skills.
	Student survey/Teacher	
	interview.	



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**Conclusion** 

The time and opportunity for personal engagement with the topic, as offered by modern teaching didactics, may initially be not perceived as fruitful by some of the LTTA participants. However, the sustainability in competency growth will become evident in their further learning progress.

The following outcomes can be expected through the direct reflection at the conclusion of the LTTA:

- The methodological mix of the LTTA, particularly learning in different settings (e.g., in a nursing home), was highly regarded.
- Digitalization is naturally and already integrated into the professional everyday life of nursing and is gaining increasing significance. This is particularly evident in the realm of digital application programs, such as documentation or planning tools, as well as automated measurement and warning systems.
- The topic of telematics/telecare is particularly accepted as an additional option for providing care in areas with limited infrastructure.
- The field of robotics is sometimes evaluated with strong emotional triggers and has sparked controversial discussions within the group of participants. The use of robotics is sometimes accompanied by fears, particularly regarding the question of whether machines could potentially surpass or even replace skilled professionals in the future. However, there was consensus that engaging with the topic is necessary and that robotics also presents opportunities.
- During the visit to the care facility, it became evident that technological aids, including robots, can only be as effective and helpful as the human programming and maintenance allows.

Within the framework of the LTTA, all participants have the opportunity to acquire valuable new competencies. Both learners and educators have the chance to either learn entirely new skills or expand upon their existing knowledge. Through professional exchange during the LTTA, all participants can benefit from the experiences and insights of others. Furthermore, the LTTA provides a valuable opportunity to address and overcome existing prejudices and fears in a constructive manner through collaborative learning.

Moreover, participants are equipped with tools to independently expand their acquired knowledge and continuously develop their competencies. Based on the positive experiences and outcomes of this LTTA, it is highly recommended to utilize this teaching and learning







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format in vocational education and training. It not only enables effective competency acquisition, but also fosters professional exchange, reflection, and productive collaboration.



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