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Master of Science for Public Health

Chronic Illness and Healthcare Research

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Vocational training:

- 1979 – 1981: Healthcare assistant training

University Education:

- 2008 – 2009: Accompanying course of studies in Applied Health Sciences at Bielefeld University, parallel to working
- 2009 – 2011; Accompanying course of studies in Applied Health Sciences at Magdeburg-Stendal University, parallel to working
- 2011 – 2013; Accompanying course of studies in Public Health at University of Applied Sciences, Fulda , parallel to working

Professional experience:

- 1981 – 2003: Healthcare assistant specializing in Surgery, Orthopedic Medicine, General Practice, Neurology/Psychiatry
- 2003 – 2006: Healthcare assistant, Psychiatric Outpatient Clinic, Hospital for Psychiatry and Psychotherapy, Friedberg/Hessen
- Since 2006: Research assistant, Institute of General Practice, Johann Wolfgang Goethe University, Frankfurt/Main

Qualifications

- 1997 Coach for autogenic training
- 1999 Coach in relaxation training for children, adolescents and adults
- 2004 Hospital administration
- 2005 Quality assurance representative for the healthcare sector
- 2006 TQM process improvement officer for the healthcare sector
- 2007 Study nurse
- 2008 Certificate in pedagogical approaches to educating adults
- 2009 Health manager
- 2011 Bachelor of Applied Health Science. Bachelor thesis: "Roles of health care assistants with a foreign background in Germany"
- 2013 Master of Science for Public Health. Master thesis: "Coagulation management among migrants attending general practice"

Scientific award

- 2008: 1st prize in competition for the "Dr. Lothar Beyer Prize – German General Practice Research Award"

Memberships

- German Society of General Practice and Family Medicine (DEGAM)
- Science and Research for and with healthcare assistants (WiForMFA)

Current focus

- PICANT (Primary Care Management for Optimized Antithrombotic Treatment)
- MultiCare multimorbidity study
- Evaluation of the implementation of highly qualified healthcare assistants in family doctor-centered healthcare in Baden-Wuerttemberg
- Research for and with healthcare assistants
- Healthcare assistants with an immigrant background