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Introducing

The rightful mother tongue of deaf people is sign language which is different from the spoken language of a country (Zeshan, 2008). For deaf people receiving health services, communication with health workers is important.



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Poor communication between deaf patients and health workers can lead to life-threatening complications such as misdiagnosis and improper or delayed medical treatment (Tiwary, 2018). Deaf people cannot meet their health needs due to the lack of health educational materials and training of health workers about effective communication with deaf patients (Pollard, 2009).



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Our target groups are people having education or training to work in the various fields of the health sector, all health workers including health professionals, health associate professionals, personal care workers in health services, health management and support personnel, also search and rescue and first aid teams.



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With our project, Medicine & Health Services, Search & Rescue and First Aid-Oriented Vocational Sign Language Curriculum will be prepared at A1, A2 and B1 levels focusing on our target groups. Also, distance learning materials align with this curriculum and sample Patient Anamnesis Forms in accordance with the Manchester Protocol will be created in sign language.



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Our project, which focuses on the problems experienced by deaf people, who are with fewer opportunities and in disadvantaged position compared to the rest of the society, in health, first aid, patient care and search and rescue activities.



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Our project will promote social inclusion and equality and will contribute to the creation of inclusive environments. So, it supports “Inclusion and diversity in all fields of education, training, youth and sport”, which is one of the horizontal priorities of the Erasmus+ Program.



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