



Training and Re-Training of Family Physicians/GPs in EURACT countries

- Specialist GP Training is necessary almost everywhere. This includes doctors changing from another specialty.
- Specialist training in GP/FM is usually necessary for a permanent GP post in public service but there are a lot of exceptions in the “private practice” area.
- In most countries there are many GP/FMs who are not specialist trained and additional training is usually not mandatory.
- In most countries there are no tests of medical knowledge, no language tests and no orientation to the local medical system for EU trained GP/FMs before working in a new country.
- Any controls that are in place apply mainly to public appointments and there are less controls in the “private practice” area.
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