In the Name of God

Islamic Republic of Iran
Ministry of Health and Medical Education
Deputy Ministry for Education

Pediatric Nursing
Degree: Master of Science (MSc)

Total Course Credits
- Core: 28
- Non-core (Electives): 4
- Thesis: 4

Program Description
Pediatric Nursing is a branch of nursing which deals mostly with the provision of holistic care, from prevention to rehabilitation, to children which can inevitably involve their families and communities. In line with the principles of good human relationships and professional ethics, MSc graduates can identify biological, psychological, social and cultural needs of the clients in this field and perform appropriate interventions.

The graduates can fulfill various tasks at such different settings as hospitals, rehabilitation centers, pediatric clinics, outpatient health centers, schools etc. to manage conditions, promote pediatric care quality and prevent complications at different situations.

There has been a valuable experience in performing the program in the Islamic Republic of Iran since 1976 and its curriculum has been updated in recent years for the master's degree, as an attempt to meet the ever-changing needs of the society and to play an effective role for the children as a vulnerable group requiring advocacy in various aspects.

Admission Requirements
- Having a bachelor's degree (BSc) in nursing
- Holding admission criteria based on the regulations of universities
- Being eligible for entering the program
- Taking part in an Entrance Exam administered by Iran's Ministry of Health and Medical Education

*Important note: These general conditions do not necessarily exclude specific conditions of each institute or university.
Expected Competencies at the End of the Program

General Competencies*  
*Note: The related document(s) can be found at [http://hcmep.behdasht.gov.ir/](http://hcmep.behdasht.gov.ir/)

Specific Competencies and Skills

At the end of the program learners will be competent in the following skills:
- Health-related skills
- Diagnostic and therapeutic skills
- Procedural skills in the provision of pediatric care for clients
- Supportive, preventive, educational, consultative, investigative, monitoring and managerial skills

Educational Strategies, Methods and Techniques*  
*Note: The related document(s) can be found at [http://hcmep.behdasht.gov.ir/](http://hcmep.behdasht.gov.ir/)

Student Assessment

Methods of assessment
- Verbal, written, observation, clinical competence assessments (OSCE, OSLE, OSFE, DOPS, 360 degree); Portfolio assessment; Log book,

Types of the assessment
- Diagnostic, formative, and summative

Ethical Considerations*  
*Note: The related document(s) can be found at [http://hcmep.behdasht.gov.ir/](http://hcmep.behdasht.gov.ir/)
The noncore credits: 4 (01. Medical informatics* [0.5 theoretical + 0.5 practical] and 02. Statistics and Advanced research** [2 theoretical + 1 practical]

* Passing this course is obligatory for all students as a compensatory credit.

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Note 1: Clinical training hours correspond to hospital shifts (morning, evening and night) from Saturday to Thursday;

Note 2: Students must pass workshops in communication skills, child safety, infection control in neonatal and pediatric wards, quality care, clinical governance, evidence-based practice from eligible educational institutes.

Note 3: Clinical training on holidays is possible with respect to facilities and is subject to the verification of educational administration of nursing schools.
Note 4: All possible educational and clinical resources are used in this program.