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Migration Procedure - Germany

Competent Authority:

Physiotherapists from EU-and EEA-countries are governed by the EU Directive 2005/36 EG. For physiotherapists from a non EU country the corresponding law adopted by the Federal Government to improve the assessment and recognition of foreign professional qualifications approved by the Bundesrat on 4 November 2011 came into force 1.4.2012.

Information about recognition is available through the homepage of the German Federal Association of Physiotherapy www.physio-deutschland.de - Fachkreise - Beruf und Bildung - Recognition in Germany.

Applications should be sent to:

Please find the competent authorities through "Zentralstelle für ausländisches Bildungswesen in Deutschland" in the database Anabin (Anerkennung und Bewertung ausländischer Bildungsnachweise) under anabin.kmk.org - Anerkennungs- und Beratungsstellen in Deutschland > Suche nach Stellen für Berufe - Physiotherapeut/in .

The Application:

The application must be submitted in the form of certified copies. The documentation should include:

- Evidence of physiotherapy education (with diploma)
- Evidence of good conduct
- Curriculum Vitae
- Documentation of applicant's name, date of birth and nationality (e.g. copies of relevant pages from passport)



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Further requirements:

Germany has automatic recognition of migrants from other EU (European Union) countries, but the authorities reserve the right to prove individual cases. Adaptation periods are sometimes required. If the equivalence of diplomas is not at hand the comparability of knowledge in physiotherapy has to be demonstrated through an aptitude test. Knowledge of the host country's language is necessary. To become a member of the German Physiotherapy Association the migrant must have a recognised diploma. Please contact the German Association for further details, email: info@physio-deutschland.de

Unemployment rates

In Germany unemployment rate for physiotherapists is low at the moment. Please notice that not all physiotherapists find a fulltime job.