



# CERTIFICATE SUPPLEMENT (\*)



## 1. TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE ( EN )

**Pharmacological technician**

## 2. TRANSLATED TITLE OF THE CERTIFICATE ( IS )

**Lyfjatakni - lyfjatakni**

This translation has no legal status

## 3. PROFILE OF KNOWLEDGE AND SKILLS

### The holder:

- is responsible for receiving prescriptions, detailed registering of prescriptions, making up of and handling prescriptions in co-operation with a pharmacist
- is able to place orders for products and medicine, receive medicine and store it
- is able to give advice on the use of medicine that is sold over the counter, health products, support products and other issues clients need assistance with
- works according to general ethics with the aim of improving patients health and wellbeing
- has good communication skills and is discreet in his work
- is capable of working independently, show initiative and prioritise tasks
- has good computer skills and is able to use various specialized programmes used for registering, receiving and giving out prescriptions
- knows the law and regulations applicable for his/her profession and adheres to them in his/her daily work
- takes part in development projects, works according to quality standards/quality manual, is familiar with health and safety in the workplace and is able to give first aid if accidents or mishaps occur
- is able to adopt professional innovations and is aware of their importance.

## 4. RANGE OF OCCUPATIONS ACCESSIBLE TO THE HOLDER OF THE CERTIFICATE

Pharmacological assistants perform a wide range of work in various establishments in society. Their workplaces include pharmacies, hospital pharmacies, wholesale firms for pharmaceuticals, pharmaceutical production plants and public health institutions. Pharmacological assistants do research work, production, dissemination and sale of medicine and health products as well as educating on how to handle and use medicine. Those possessing a license for pharmacological assistants issued by the director general of public health are certified to work as such.

### (\*) Explanatory note

This document is designed to provide additional information about the specified certificate and does not have any legal status in itself. The format of the description is based on the following texts: Council Resolution 93/C 49/01 of 3 December 1992 on the transparency of qualifications, Council Resolution 96/C 224/04 of 15 July 1996 on the transparency of vocational training certificates, and Recommendation 2001/613/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council of 10 July 2001 on mobility within the Community for students, persons Undergoing training, volunteers, teachers and trainers.

More information on transparency is available at: [www.cedefop.eu.int/transparency](http://www.cedefop.eu.int/transparency)

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## 5. OFFICIAL BASIS OF THE CERTIFICATE

<b>Name and status of the body awarding the certificate</b> An Icelandic upper secondary school operating on the basis of the Upper Secondary School Act and the National Curriculum for Upper Secondary Schools, issued by the Minister of Education, Science and Culture.	<b>Name and position of governing body or region that looks after certifying or confirming the certificate</b> The Ministry of Education, Science and Culture
<b>Level of the certificate (national or international)</b> Upper secondary school level Isced 3 Icelandic Qualifications Framework (ISQF) Level 3 – EQF Level 4	<b>Grading scale / Pass requirements</b> 1-10 Passing grade 5.
<b>Access to next level of education/training</b> Additional studies for matriculation.	<b>International agreements</b>
<b>Legal basis</b> The Upper Secondary School Act no. 92/2008. The Act on Medical Professionals no. 34/2012 and directive on the education, rights and obligations of pharmacological technicians and requirements for licences to operate as such no. 109/2012.	

## 6. FRAMEWORK AND ORGANISATION OF TRAINING

The average duration of the education and training programme is five years, organised as follows: formal education for eight school terms or in total 144 weeks, including examinations. 14 weeks on-the-job training.

### Entry requirements

Primary school graduation certificate

### Additional information

Further information may be found on <http://eng.menntamalaraduneyti.is>

### National reference point

The Ministry of Education, Science and Culture, <http://eng.menntamalaraduneyti.is>