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**UPSKILLING DOMESTIC
CARE WORKERS TO ENSURE RESILIENT
EMPLOYMENT PATHWAYS**



Changing care practices within families, demographic changes, and the growth of the elderly population have rendered domestic care services steadily necessary in EU countries.



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BACKGROUND

Domestic (home-based) care involves practitioners hired to assist the elderly, persons with disabilities, and recovering patients in live-in or live-out arrangements.

The advent of the COVID-19 epidemic and the subsequent health care crisis, however, have magnified the need for care workers at home, as well as the set of roles and responsibilities expected to be performed by them.

OBJECTIVES

THE PROJECT AIMS TO:

- 1 equip domestic care workers (employed or seeking employment) with a mix of care, transversal and attitudinal skills to ensure resilient employment pathways,
- 2 contribute towards advancing the regulatory environment and working conditions pertaining to domestic care (at the institutional level).

THE CONSORTIUM WILL DEVELOP AND IMPLEMENT A SET OF TOOLS:

- ▲ Evidence-based learning outcomes on emerging skills and competences required in the domestic care sector. This outcome aims to facilitate the development of high-quality learning opportunities that support and reinforce key competences for the exigencies of the domestic care work, both before and after the COVID-19 epidemic.
- ▲ A curriculum structure and a pool of pedagogical resources including educational instructions, learning, and assessment materials, designed to support the delivery of the course, a trainer handbook and a learner e-book. All materials will be based on the DoCUp learning outcomes and offered for unrestricted third-party use.
- ▲ An online course to act as a wide-access delivery method for the DoCUp curriculum on critical skills and practices of up-to date care provision.
- ▲ A framework and set of tools for the facilitation, recognition, and validation of domestic care work.

