

## REVIEW

**for the educational and professional program "Dentistry" of the second (Master's) level of higher education of the field of knowledge 22 "Health", educational qualification "Master of Dentistry", implemented at Poltava State Medical University**

The educational and professional program "Dentistry", implemented at Poltava State Medical University (PSMU), is marked by relevance and applied expediency.

Its volume, content and structure meet the current requirements for educational programs of the second (Master's) level of higher education. The program is developed taking into account the strategic directions of reforming the health care system of Ukraine, in particular dentistry, and is focused on regional, national, as well as global trends in the development of dentistry and the sectoral labor market.

The program takes into account both the best achievements of PSMU, which has the centennial experience in training dentists, and the experience of Ukrainian and foreign higher education institutions, which provide the need to train highly qualified and competitive dental professionals.

The objectives of the educational and professional program are consistent with the mission and strategy of the PSMU.

When formulating the goals and program learning outcomes, the interests and proposals of stakeholders – higher education students and employers who were involved in the development of EPP – were taken into account.

The structure of the program provides for the possibility of forming an individual educational trajectory of higher education students both through the free choice of academic disciplines and the recognition of the learning outcomes obtained in other universities, foreign in particular.

Forms and methods of training and teaching according to the educational and professional program "Dentistry", as well as a system of control measures, make it possible to achieve the stated goals and program learning outcomes, meet the requirements of a student-centered approach and academic freedom.

The educational environment of PSMU, its human and material resources fully

meet the needs of the program, and the system of material and moral encouragement of the academic staff who teaches the disciplines included in this program encourages them to constantly develop teaching skills.

The strengths of the program are both the fact that higher education students have the opportunity to master modern special (professional) competencies during practical classes and clinical training, and that the developers paid considerable attention to the formation of social skills necessary for the personal development of future dentists, such as: communication skills, the ability to work in a team, self-organization skills, the ability to effectively organize their work, competent time management, the ability to work with information, computer literacy, creativity, the ability to non-standard thinking, flexibility and adaptability, leadership.

So, a close study of the educational and professional program "Dentistry" of the second (Master's) level of higher education in the field of knowledge 22 "Health", educational qualification "Master of Dentistry", implemented at Poltava State Medical University, gives every reason to say that it will make it possible to form highly qualified, competitive dentists who have both special and social competencies.

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