

Unfortunately, in Poland the Classification of occupations and specializations does not include the profession of health counsellor or health educator. Legal provisions provide for specialists in hygiene, occupational safety and environmental protection. Two other occupations are related to health education, namely a health promoter and a specialist in public health. Therefore, it is a difficult task for graduates of the Health Pedagogy specialist programme to find a job and make use of their qualifications. Polish society still associates health with medicine. Promoting a healthy lifestyle is seen as a responsibility of a doctor or a nurse. This perception also applies to the graduates who participated in the research analysed above.

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