Pharmacy Technicians in Slovenia

In Slovenia, the profession of a pharmacy technician has a long tradition. The secondary school for the education of pharmacy technicians was founded in 1946 in Ljubljana and continues to operate to this day.

Anyone who has completed a nine-year primary school can choose the profession of a pharmacy technician. Secondary education lasts four years, where students learn more about the profession itself. After completing secondary school, where they have acquired sufficient theoretical and practical knowledge in the field of pharmacy, they have to complete six months of practical training or internship.

After completing the internship, which most future pharmacy technicians complete in a pharmacy, a professional exam follows. Successful completion of the professional exam is a condition for independent work in a pharmacy and entry into the register of healthcare providers and healthcare workers.

In Slovenia, pharmacy technicians work in many areas.

Most pharmacy technicians are employed in public, private and hospital pharmacies and specialized stores. They advise visitors on a healthy lifestyle and the correct use of over-the-counter medicines, medical devices and care products. In pharmacies and other areas of work, the pharmacy technician and the pharmacist are a well-coordinated team, where they mutually cooperate with each other.

Many of them are also employed in the pharmaceutical industry and galenic laboratories, where they participate in the production of medicines.

In control and analytical laboratories, pharmacy technicians perform chemical, physical and microbiological analyses that ensure the quality and stability of medicines.

In wholesale pharmacies, they participates in the supply of medicines and other products to other pharmacies, specialized stores and medical institutions.

They can also get a job in related professions, for example in the chemical or cosmetic industry.

Due to the pace of life dictated by today's times, the profession of a pharmacy technician is very dynamic. The charm of our profession is the daily challenges we face. In order to perform our profession well, it is necessary to get additional education and keep up with the times, because only in this manner are pharmacy technicians successful and competent members of the pharmacy profession.