

*Translation from Bulgarian*

## STATEMENT

**Of Prof. Dr. Vanya Nedkova Nedkova, MD, PhD**  
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**Regarding: an announced contest in Medical University-Varna for the academic position “Associate Professor” in specialty “Pediatrics”, in professional direction 7.1 “Medicine”, in the field of higher education 7. Healthcare and sport in Medical Faculty, Department of Pediatrics, according to an announcement in State Gazette issue 62 dated 01.08.2019.**

**Applicant: Dr. Elena Nikolova Paskaleva – Georgieva, MD**

### **Education and qualification:**

Dr. Georgieva, MD has graduated German Language School, Medicine and Healthcare Management.

Dr. Elena Georgieva, MD has been working as a pediatrician since 1983. From 2008 and currently she has been a staff physician in Clinic of Pulmonology with Intensive Ward of Specialized Hospital for Active Treatment of Pediatric Diseases “Prof. Iv. Mitev” EAD.

She specialized emergency situations in childhood at Medical Center “Charite” – Berlin.

She obtained specialty “Pediatric Diseases” in 1990, specialty Pediatric Pulmonology and Phtisiatics No. 016040/5.02.18, she has a diploma “Healthcare Management” 2009 and “Homeopathy” 2001.



She has defended a dissertation with a topic “Diagnostic and therapeutic approach to broncho-obstructive syndrome in early childhood” in 2015.

In the announced contest for “Associate Professor” Dr. Georgieva, MD participates with 32 scientific publications, 1 of which a dissertation and 31 publication in journals and collections. The publications in Bulgarian are 21, and in a foreign language 10.

Dr. Georgieva, MD is an independent author of 12 scientific publications: first author in 8, second in 2, fourth in 2.

### **Scientific areas:**

- 1. Medicine** – the main areas of the scientific publications are related to the pulmonary pathology in early childhood: diagnostic and therapeutic problems of the broncho-obstructive syndrome, clinical cases with pulmonary pathology, obstructive sleep apnea, infectious-allergic diseases of the lungs and the role of vit. D in the broncho-obstructive syndrome. The dissertation is the first in our country complex review of the etiopathogenetic factors for the development of broncho-obstructive syndrome in early childhood and the differentiation between functional or reversible and organic or irreversible manifestations of broncho-obstructive syndrome. The predisposing factors for the development of broncho-obstructive syndrome and these for continuation of its manifestations after the age of 5 years have been summarized. The study confirms the great importance of the perinatal factors, the allergic predisposition, the diet, especially the role of breastfeeding and proper nutrition, frequent infections and antibiotic treatment for the development of broncho-obstructive syndrome.



The scientific publication suggests a diagnostic algorithm in children with broncho-obstructive syndrome. The clinical characteristics of the various episodes of bronchial obstruction and the role of the therapeutic approach have been summarized.

The author described cases of bronchopulmonary, cardio-vascular abnormalities, as well obstructive sleep apnea in childhood.

The outbreaks of tuberculosis infection among the pediatric population in Bulgaria have been thoroughly studied, and severe forms of tuberculosis infection during infancy were described.

The scientific publications of Dr. Georgieva, MD focus on the most current problems in pediatrics.

Dr. Georgieva, MD has participated with scientific reports in national conferences in pediatrics, pediatric congresses in 2012; 2015 and 2018, Congress of the European Respiratory Society 2017-2018, congresses of the European Pediatric Association 2015-2019.

She is a member of the editorial team of American Journal of Paediatrics. Dr. Georgieva, MD was a consultant of the Bulgarian National Television «Television baby» 2007, consultant of published pediatrics books.

She has performed translation of the books: Guide to Homeopathy, My child has an allergy, Family Health Encyclopedia.

The academic reference from the library of Medical University-Varna based on the presented information by the author for scientific production shows:

1. Peer-reviewed and indexed journals – 387 points.
2. Non-peer-reviewed journals – 410.8 points.

Or a total of – 797.8 points.



According to a reference from the Central Medical Library – Sofia dated 15.08.2019 regarding the quotations of Dr. Paskaleva-Georgieva, MD, there were 4 Bulgarian quotations, in the database Skopus were established 7 quotations, in the database Web were established 7 quotations, in foreign sources were established 4 quotations.

In the contest for Associate Professor, Dr, Georgieva, MD meets the requirements for obtaining the academic position Associate Professor based on the presented scientific publications.

Based on the considerable clinical experience and the experience in scientific research, I recommend that the distinguished Scientific Jury votes Dr. Elena Georgieva, MD to become an Associate Professor in Pediatrics.

Statement prepared by: .....

/Prof. Dr. V. Nedkova, MD/

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