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IENE 11 PROVAC Empowering nurses and healthcare
professionals to promote vaccination and tackle vaccine hesitancy
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IENE 11 PROVAC is reaching the concluding phase as it wraps up the fourth and last Intellectual Output, which is a Massive Open Online Course (MOOC). The MOOC, named "Promoting Vaccination and Addressing Vaccine Hesitancy," took place between October 2nd and November 10th, 2023, hosted on the <https://edunet.mindclass.eu> platform. The MOOC duration was 6 weeks and was based on the four components of the PTT/IENE Model.

COURSE STRUCTURE - 6 WEEKS JOURNEY:

Week 1: Orientation and Pre-course Evaluation

Weeks 2 to 5: Course Modules:

- [Module 1 - Cultural Awareness](#)
- [Module 2 - Cultural Knowledge](#)
- [Module 3 - Cultural Sensitivity](#)
- [Module 4 - Cultural Competence](#)

Each Module contains 4 Units, one day dedicated for each unit.

Final Week: Synthesis, reflection, post-course plan, and impact evaluation.

The MOOC was designed for health professionals engaged in vaccination delivery, including nurses, doctors, school or community nurses, health visitors, sanitary mediators, students, or any healthcare professionals seeking to enhance their knowledge and skills in vaccination. The course aims to empower healthcare professionals to combat misinformation, address vaccine hesitancy, and enhance vaccine confidence, particularly among hesitant individuals and those from disadvantaged groups.

The primary objectives of the course were as follows:

- **Knowledge Enhancement:** To enhance understanding of vaccines, adverse events, and cultural beliefs associated with vaccination.
- **Communication Skills:** To develop the ability to influence, persuade, and improve vaccine confidence.
- **Tackling Vaccine Hesitancy:** To address vaccine hesitancy, particularly among individuals from disadvantaged groups.



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DELIVERING THE MOOC

Offered in four languages—Romanian, Greek, Spanish, and English—the course was provided free of charge.

The number of participants surpassed partners' expectations, with 313 individuals enrolling from Romania, Spain, Italy, Cyprus, Greece, and various other locations worldwide.

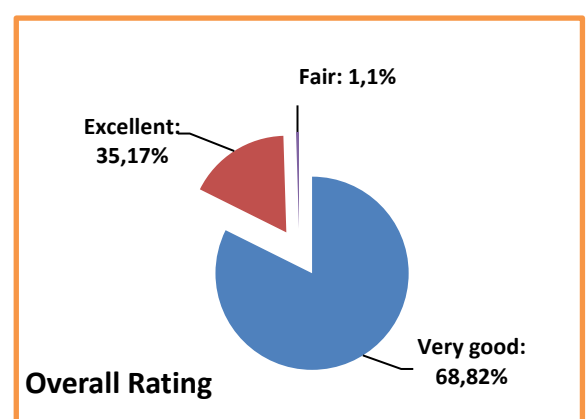
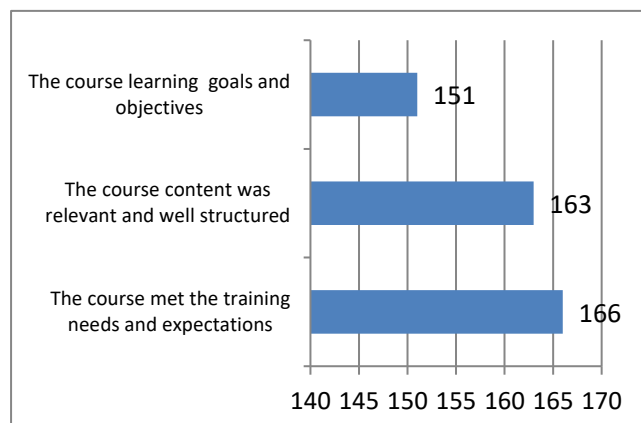
- **Compulsory Quizzes:** Module and unit self-assessment quizzes
- **Forum Activity:** Facilitators assessed the participation in the dedicated forums
- **Final assessment:** Facilitators assessed the "Applying Learning to Practice" plan

MOOC participants were required to fulfill the tasks outlined in the course content and attain a minimum score of 75% to qualify for the certificate. The assessments were reviewed and graded by the MOOC facilitators.

Certification was automatically generated upon the submission and evaluation of the final assessment by the MOOC facilitators. Out of the 210 participants actively engaged in the course, 173 successfully completed the program and received their certificates: Romania (n=53), Spain (n=47), Greece (n=41) and Cyprus (n=32)

In general, the **Assessment of the MOOC** indicated a positive influence on both participants and the community. It successfully provided extensive training to a substantial number of health professionals on the topic of vaccine hesitancy, empowering them with effective strategies for addressing and tackling this issue on a broader scale.

The **evaluation of the MOOC**, derived from data collected from 174 participants, affirmed the success of the course.



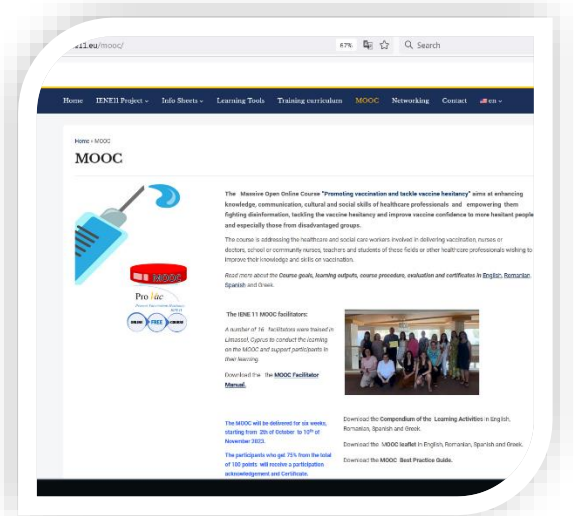
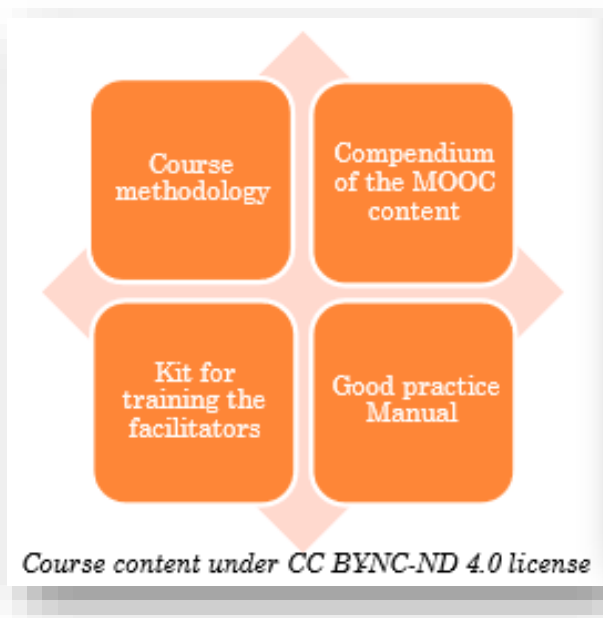
JOIN THE MOVEMENT

Call to Action

- **Spread the Word:** Share the course and project details
- **Become a part of the solution:** further use our MOOC to prepare confident healthcare workforce and improve vaccine confidence and therefore improving the population health.
- **Make a Difference:** Together, let's combat vaccine hesitancy

Download from the Project website:

<https://iene11.eu/mooc/>



NOTES TO EDITOR

The IENE 11 PROVAC project is implemented by a consortium, coordinated by Edunet Organization in Romania, and involving Cyprus University of Technology (Cyprus), National and Kapodistrian University of Athens (Greece) and University of Almeria (Spain)



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