

# Geriatric Clinic of Kaunas University of Medicine



## WHO WE ARE

**Geriatric Clinic** is an academic unit operating under the Faculty of Nursing in the Kaunas University of Medicine (KUM), which is the largest medical study and research centre in Lithuania. The focus of Geriatric Clinic work is on **geriatrics** and **gerontology**. We train undergraduate and postgraduate medical students, nursing students, physicians in geriatrics and gerontology. The research is focused on **life quality of elderly with chronic diseases, dementia** and **gerontological nursing problems**.

## COLLABORATION INTERESTS

Geriatric Clinic is interested in participating in projects under EU programmes as well as other international cooperation in our research areas. Our possible role: partner, end-user tester.

## RESEARCH AREAS

- development of health care and social services for elderly;
- home-based care for elderly;
- geriatric assessment;
- Alzheimer's disease and other dementias;
- support of elderly independence, especially with cognitive impairment;
- life quality of elderly;
- applying assistive technologies for elderly

**WHAT  
MAKES US  
A GOOD  
PARTNER**

- **Well-qualified workforce.** All our researchers have PhD degrees.
- **Close cooperation with clinical settings.** All our researches are involved in taking care of elderly.
- **Developed co-operation partner network within Europe.** We have strong and experienced partners for taking care of elderly.
- **Information interchange and synergetic solutions.** Our team is open-minded, motivated and creative.

## REFERENCE PROJECTS

### Selection of EC projects

**ENABLE** (EU IST FP5) – Enabling Technologies for Persons with Dementia: investigating whether it is possible for people with dementia live independently. Geriatric Clinic participated as a partner.

### Selection of other projects

Geriatric Clinic initiated and carried out three projects supported by **Open Society Institute**, Lithuania, aiming at education in **gerontological nursing**.

At the moment Geriatric Clinic participates in the national project „**Applying innovative educational methods to study programs of nursing, occupational therapy and physical therapy**”.

## OTHER INFORMATION

**Name of the research department:**

Geriatric Clinic

**Name of organisation:**

Kaunas University of Medicine

**Legal structure of organisation:** a unit of the university

**Country:** Lithuania

Number of researchers: 5

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