

Curriculum Vitae

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EDUCATION

MERCATOR PVCO

Post-graduate course Intensive Care Nursing

Gent, Belgium

June, 2003

PRINS LEOPOLD INSTITUUT VOOR TROPISCHE GENEESKUNDE

Course in Tropical Medicine for nurses and midwives

Antwerp, Belgium

June, 1998

MERCATOR HOGESCHOOL

Paramedical department

Hospital nurse

Gent, Belgium

June, 1996

PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

UNIVERSITAIR ZIEKENHUIS ANTWERPEN

Intensive Care Unit: - Surgery, internal medicine,

- COVID-19 patients

Edegem, Belgium

1 juli 2009 - current date

UNIVERSITAIR ZIEKENHUIS ANTWERPEN

Intensive Care Unit: - Surgery

Edegem, Belgium

16 April 2008-31 October 2008

UNIVERSITAIR ZIEKENHUIS BRUSSEL

Pediatric Ward – Day Hospitalisation

2007

- Pre- and Post Operative Care

- Oncology

- Chronic diseases

Jette, Belgium

1 June 2007 – 15 July

ACADEMISCH ZIEKENHUIS – VUB

Intensive Care Unit: - traumatology

- pneumology

- neurology

- surgery

Jette, Belgium

2001 - 2004

GENERAL HOSPITAL ‘ONZE-LIEVE-VROUW’

Aalst, Belgium

- Neurology – Stroke Unit
Intensive care of patients suffering from a stroke
Ward for all other neurological diseases
- Abdominal, facial and cardio-vascular surgery
Pre- and post-operative care

1998 - 2001

WIT-GELE KRUIS

Home nursing

Dendermonde, Belgium

March-June, 1998

GENERAL HOSPITAL ‘ONZE-LIEVE-VROUW’

- Medium Care Unit Neurosurgery
Post-operative care after brain surgery
- Ward neurosurgery
Pre- and postoperative care

Aalst, Belgium

1997-1998

KLINIK WARTENBERG

Physical rehabilitation hospital

Wartenberg, Germany

1996 - 1997

WIT-GELE KRUIS

Home nursing

Dendermonde, Belgium

1995 – 1996

FIELD EXPERIENCE WITH MSF-B

UKRAINE

NAM evacuation train

4/3/2022 – 30/4/2022

GUINEE

MFP Ebola response team

Gueckedou

November – December 2014

ZIMBABWE

Explo and draft of emergency preparedness in cas of political violence

Rapid MUAC Assessment in Mutare town

Harare

14/01/2009 – 24/03/2009

KENYA

Explo mission North-Eastern Province, nurse

Mandera, NEP

8/11/2008 – 16/12/2008

SOMALIA

Medical Focal Point/Hospital Nurse

Guri El, Galgaduud

14/08/2007 – 30/01/2008

BURKINA FASO

Field-co, project meningitis epidemic – case management

Ouagadougou

3/04/2007 – 8/05/2007

KENYA

Medical Focal Point, project El Wak: PHC + integration of A-TFC in PHC + EPREP Cholera/Malaria (closure)

El Wak, NEP

10/11/2006 – 13/03/2007

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC CONGO

Field-co, project Mitwaba-Sampwé: IDP – PHC + Emergency Surgery + WatSan

Mitwaba, Katanga

3/03/2006 – 27/07/2006

HAITI

Hospital Nurse, Project Cité Soleil: PHC + Emergency Surgery

Cité soleil, Port-au-Prince
23/08/2005 – 27/11/2005

DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC CONGO

Hospital Nurse, Project Basankusu PHC + A-TFC

Basankusu, Equateur
24/11/2004 – 24/06/2005

BURUNDI

Supervision of a Therapeutic Feeding Centre

Karusi, Burundi
10/03/2001- 7/06/2001

SOUTH SUDAN

- Mobile Team
Measles vaccination, blanket feeding and Rapid Nutritional Screening
- Supplementary Feeding Centre
Setting up of an SFC

Tangnyang, Sudan
24/08/2000 – 15/11/2000

ANGOLA

Supervision of Day care (TFC) and 3 SFC

Kuito, Angola
11/01/2000- 18/05/2000

COURSES FROM MSF-B

Basic Management Course

2001

PSP, Casteldefells

2006

ADDITIONAL

- Fluent in Dutch, French and English. Average in German and Spanish.
- Enjoy Yoga, tennis and my 2 children