

Online e-collaboration environment National and international communities

Model, Practical Guide

and Toolkit

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LeHo as a European Project is developing an online hub that will provide tools and resources for those engaged or involved in home and hospital based education. You are invited to share your experiences with professionals from different countries, cultural contexts or to find, learn and cooperate with peers and colleagues within your particular national community.





"I feel involved again"

## **Tools and resources:**

- Practical Guide: a book with suggestions on useful tools, resources, practices and key theories for everyone involved in Home and Hospital Education such as medical staff, nurses, volunteers, teachers, parents, guardians and trainee practitioners within associated fields.
- Toolkit: a structured collection of resources to support teachers and teaching assistants, through examples of good practices about teaching and learning at hospitals, student homes and schools.
- A resource aimed at policy makers. This resource will analyse and summarize the experiences of participants and contributors to the project, and will highlight areas of strength as well as challenges and weaknesses that may require further development across the partner countries.

Despite the fact that education represents the most important factor in the prevention and mediation of the psycho-social consequences of illnesses in children and young adults, students with medical issues are still less engaged in learning and face social difficulties resulting in a lower academic achievement. The best way to achieve a good education is to boost attendance in mainstream schools, which provide not only cognitive but also social and developmental advantages to all students.

Students with medical needs either in hospital or at home, face isolation, disengagement and regression. They cannot access mainstream education resulting from their illness and associated therapies. Within this context, ICT can play a key role in providing better communication and enabling access to education during the period of absence from mainstream school.

LeHo is developing an online hub in order to provide effective tools and relevant resources for home and hospital education practitioners, stakeholders and interested parties.

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## **Aims**

- Outline key educational factors and highlight good practices dedicated to the education and care of students with medical needs;
- Explore and design ICT-based solutions that enable children in hospital, receiving home therapy or attending school part-time due to illness, to access an appropriate educational provision;
- Identify ways in which technology can impact on pedagogy and teaching methods in Home and Hospital Education contexts (HHE).
- Educational initiatives adopted at Home and in Hospital schools, represent responses to a broad and complex range of educational challenges. They are designed to be innovative and to improve the engagement of those students at risk of missing out on their education due to their medical needs.
   Our intention is that these initiatives may be effectively applied or adapted for their use in ordinary didactical contexts, and thus provide opportunities to extend and enhance practices in different educational settings.

## Background