

## O2.2\_Profile\_Psychologist

<b>Profile title</b>	<b>PSYCHOLOGIST</b>
<b>Role</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Personalised psychological assessment and counselling of patients with confirmed genetic cancer risk and their families.</li> <li>- Provision of professional assistance and guidance in resolving personal or psycho social problems.</li> </ul>
<b>Minimal requirements</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Psychologist</li> <li>- At least 3 years professional experience in medical settings</li> </ul> <p>Postgraduate Training in Medical/Health Psychology and practice under supervision in Medical Psychology and Counselling.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Basic knowledge needed to understand the technology for assessing the risk of developing cancer</li> </ul>
<b>Professional competences:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Psychological intervention skills related to medical psychology: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Professional skills for interviewing, assessing attitudes and psychological difficulties, related to cancer risk and to internal familial relationship.</li> <li>- Skills for rendering psychological help in understanding and making decisions about oncogenetic and related medical interventions</li> <li>- Psychological counseling skills for patients, including family counseling at a proven risk of developing cancer.</li> </ul> </li> <li>2. Skills to create and maintain professional contact and support for patients and families through all stages of the oncogenetic diagnostics, interventions and care pathway</li> <li>3. Skills for effective self-reflection and professional development in psycho oncology.</li> </ol>
<b>Transversal competences:</b>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Skills to work together in a multidisciplinary medical and oncogenetic team:</li> <li>2. Communicating with medical specialists to collect information about the health status and condition of patients and their families.</li> <li>3. Discussion in the multidisciplinary team of opportunities to increase the effectiveness of communication with patients and their families regarding the understanding of hereditary cancer risk and the possibilities for evaluation and monitoring.</li> <li>4. Collaborative skills for team work in order to develop and implement strategies to work with patients with a proven cancer risk and their families.</li> <li>5. Knowledge and skills to inform the community about preventive work in the field of oncogenetics and its psychological aspects.</li> <li>6. Communication with cancer societies and patients support groups in order to expand their activities and incorporate oncogenetics issues</li> <li>7. Good knowledge of a foreign language (listening/ reading/ speaking/ writing) (English/ French).</li> </ol>