

# ROUTE TO STATE RECOGNITION

## UNDER WHICH GOVERNMENT DEPARTMENT IS DMT REGISTERED?

Ministry of Health

## HOW IS RECOGNITION DEMONSTRATED?

Protected title (art therapist with  
specialisation in DMT)

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Rules and procedures of certification  
stated by Cabinet of Ministers

DMT medical technologies registered  
at Ministry of Health, National Health  
Service..

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Professional standards which defines  
knowledge, skills and competences of  
DMT professionals

Health care professional registration  
by Health Inspectorate of Latvia.

# DESCRIBING THE PROCESS

## 1. ESTABLISHMENT OF PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS.

## 2. PROCESS OF TRAINING PROGRAMME LICENSATION.

## 3. CREATED MASTER'S PROGRAM IN ARTS THERAPY WITH ART THERAPY, MUSIC THERAPY, DRAMA THERAPY & DMT.

## 4. ENTRY IN THE REGISTER OF PROFESSIONS.

## 7. DEVELOPMENT OF MEDICAL TECHNOLOGIES FOR DMT.

## 8. REQUIREMENT OF CERTIFICATION BASED ON REGULATIONS BY CABINET OF MINISTERS.

## 5. ACQUISITION OF THE STATUS OF HEALTH CARE PROFESSIONAL.

## 6. INCLUSION IN THE MEDICAL TREATMENT LAW AND CABINET OF MINISTERS REGULATIONS GOVERNING HEALTH CARE.

## OTHER EVIDENCE OF RECOGNITION?

DMT professionals are paid as part of  
multidisciplinary rehabilitation team in  
psychiatry and physical and social  
rehabilitation.

DMT professionals are trained by state  
accredited University study program.

Every year the study program also  
receives state-funded study positions  
and university scholarships

## DMT - PSYCHOTHERPY OR NOT IN LATVIA?

Dance movement therapists are  
healthcare professionals, but  
psychotherapists - medical doctors.  
Both specializations have a different  
regulation. According to the Medical  
Treatment Law, Dance and movement  
therapists in Latvia are recognized as  
functional specialists, together with  
physiotherapists, occupational  
therapists etc.

We consider that the full state recognition  
process in our country succeeded because all  
four specializations of art therapies were  
represented as one professional body.