

Natalija Hadživuković

Natalija Hadzivukovic was born on December 16, 1967, in Travnik. She completed her primary and secondary medical education in Foca. She finished her internship and passed the professional licensing exam in 2004, the same year she began working at the Faculty of Medicine in Foca, within the Dentistry study program. She enrolled in Nursing studies in 2007 and graduated within the regular timeframe. During her third and fourth year of studies, she worked as a teaching demonstrator. She graduated on December 8, 2011, and in April 2012, she was appointed as an assistant at the Faculty of Medicine in Foca, within the Nursing study program. She began her master's studies in the 2013/2014 academic year and successfully completed them. In 2016, she was promoted to the position of Senior Assistant. She started her doctoral studies in Public Health in the 2016/17 academic year. Her doctoral dissertation, titled "Analysis of Indicators and Development of a Reliable Tool for Assessing Frailty in the Elderly Population in Bosnia and Herzegovina," was defended in 2024. With this, she completed her third cycle of studies in the Biomedical Research program and earned the academic title Doctor of Biomedical Sciences.

Throughout her career, she has participated in numerous nursing-related projects and completed five professional training programs abroad. She is a member of the Association of Nurses and Medical Technicians of the Foca region, and also serves as Secretary and member of the Association of Graduate Medical Nurses of the Republic of Srpska. She currently represents the Faculty of Medicine in the Florence Network.

She has authored and co-authored **36 scientific papers**, **one monograph**, **two practical manuals**, and **three books**. In addition, she has contributed to numerous conference papers presented at symposia with international participation.

She is married and a mother of two children.

