

## Dr. Verda Tunaligil (MD, MPH, PhD)

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### ***Educational background***

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Institution & Department		Degrees	Graduation
Istanbul University	Institute of Medical Sciences Cerrahpasa Medical Faculty Dept. of Public Health	Istanbul Turkey	PhD* 2013
Harvard University	School of Public Health Dept. of Health Policy & Management	Boston USA	MPH** 2001 Master of Public Health
Istanbul University	Cerrahpasa Medical Faculty	Istanbul Turkey	MD*** 1990 Medical Doctor
Robert College	Middle & High Schools	Istanbul Turkey	Diplomas 1981; 1984

\* **PhD Dissertation:** Contemplating Public versus Private Practice: Determinants of General Health, Work-Related Strain, & Burnout in Ambulance Emergency Medical Technician - Basics (EMT-Bs). Istanbul, 2013.

\*\* **MPH Internship:** Medical technologies, intellectual property rights, decision-making, general management in the commercialization process of new & improved medical technology. Interacted with researchers, physicians, licensing managers, hospital personnel.

Harvard Medical School (HMS) Teaching Affiliate Massachusetts General Hospital, Center for Innovative Minimally Invasive Therapies, Office of Technology Development. Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT) Sloan School of Management. Other partner organizations are MIT Draper Laboratories, HMS Teaching Affiliate Brigham & Women's Hospital.

\*\*\* **MD Internships:** Istanbul Sisli Etfal R&T Hospital of the Turkish MoH

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## ***Professional experience***

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Republic of Turkey Ministry of Health (TR MoH), Health Directorate of Istanbul (HDI) Istanbul 2007-2017

- Government employee in the public sector Turkey

Department of Monitoring and Evaluation 2015-2016

- *(Founding) Department Chief for Metropolitan Istanbul*
- Collects, analyzes information on compliance with the objectives, strategic plans and policies of TR MoH
- Monitors the effectiveness, efficiency, functionality of health services delivery
- Assesses, reports health care provision by the institutions at the provincial level
- Ensures that preventive, corrective measures are taken
- Tracks to raise the health status of the population
- Conducts research
- Makes quality and accreditation assessments

• Research and Development (R&D) Unit 2009-2012

- *(Founding) R&D Head for Metropolitan Istanbul*
- *Advisor, Grant-supported International Programs*
- *Faculty, Research Methodology Course*
- Reported directly to the Health Director of Istanbul
- Responsibilities to oversee entire R&D activity in the provision of Istanbul's health care services
- Facilitated int'l collaborations & networks, promoted advancements in public health & medical sciences, launched foremost innovations in health

Department of Private Inpatient Health Services 2014-2015

- *Physician in charge of Health Tourism for Regional Istanbul*
- The department is authorized to monitor & supervise international health

care provision throughout the city.

- Public & private health care services are governed & regulated through licencing, certification processes, informational, promotional activities, coordination, facilitation services, periodical inspections, enforcement of mandatory data entry, analyses of the foreign patient registration system, patient complaint investigations & performance reviews.
- With general oversight, the unit aims for quality improvement in the delivery of international health services in İstanbul.

Medical Simulation Center

2016-2017

- *Physician, R&D Unit*

Departments of Emergency & Disaster Medical Services

2009; 2012

- *Physician in charge of trainings, Instructor for Metropolitan Istanbul*
- Trained, supervised ambulance doctors, EMTs, disaster response medical teams
- Guided & established blueprints, on behalf of dept., for inter-agency agreements in disaster management
- Participated in disaster drills and regional camps with the National Medical Rescue Team of Istanbul and with Turkish Armed Forces.

Health Directorate for the District of Sisli

2013

- *Physician in charge of governmental stewardship, for private health care institutions in the district*

## Sait Ciftci Public Health Center

- *Physician in executive office of chief of medical staff* 2008
- *EMS chief*
- ER & executive administrative duties in secondary care

Kagithane District Community Health Center, Maternal-Child Health &amp; Family 2007-2009

## Planning Center

- *Physician*
- Clinical & public health practice in primary care

Children's Hospital Boston, Harvard Medical School Teaching Hospital Boston

National Institute of Health Research &amp; Training Programs USA 2002-2004

World Bank &amp; Turkish MoH National Mental Health Policy

Marmara Earthquake Emergency &amp; Reconstruction Project

- *Program Coordinator*: 1- Oversaw & supervised entire program activity. 2- Facilitated networks & international collaborations with senior academicians & institutes, including the Turkish Ministry of Health, Deans of Medical Faculties, etc., developed resources through grant-writing & monitored project budgets. Travel included site visits internationally. 3- Presented at & attended numerous US & International Conferences on topics including Research Resource Development, Epidemiology, Psychiatry, Disaster Mental Health, Health Disparities,
- *Instructor*: 1- Directed seminar series. 2- Designed research training programs. 3- Consulted to international clinical research projects.

Natural Standard, The Authority on Integrative Medicine Cambridge 2001-2002

- *Clinical Research Associate* ge 2001-2002
- *Author* USA
- Collaborated with research team to select research studies for inclusion in systematic reviews
- Contributed as an author to eight clinical-level monographs on medical

topics

Boston Public Health Commission, Tobacco Control Program	Boston	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Consultant</i></li> <li>– Developed youth cigarette cessation program,</li> <li>– Developed youth cigarette cessation program</li> <li>– Extended program by use of health communication strategies for the media</li> <li>– Disseminated preventive techniques through the media</li> </ul>	USA	2001
Turkish Earthquake Fund of the American Red Cross of Massachusetts Bay & the Turkish-American Cultural Society of New England	Boston USA	1999
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Head of Medical Aid Team</i></li> <li>– Delivered urgently needed medical supplies donated by health care institutions including Harvard teaching affiliates, Partners HealthCare Systems. Organized, publicized fund-raisings with US media coverage.</li> </ul>		
Samaritans, Suicide Prevention Center	Boston	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Emergency Hotline Responder</i></li> <li>• <i>Committee Member for Prospective Volunteer Evaluation</i></li> <li>– Responded to depressed or suicidal callers on the emergency hotline</li> <li>– Served on the committee which evaluates prospective volunteers through interviews &amp; background reviews</li> </ul>	USA	1997-1999
Sariyer Community Health Centers	Istanbul	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Physician</i></li> <li>• <i>Physician's daily clinical patient care</i></li> <li>– Completed the Safe Motherhood Program of the UNFPA, WHO, National MoH &amp; educated underserved populations on the methods &amp; importance of family planning</li> <li>– Led UNICEF's Vaccination Program, trained &amp; supervised nursing &amp; paramedical staff, inspected schools, community centers, homes, functioned as a liaison between the program &amp; the National MoH</li> </ul>	Turkey	1995-1996 (1999)

- Selected as chief of the Emergency Medical Response Team for President Suleyman Demirel during a multinational conference
- Inspected & controlled prescription drug abuse

TR MoH Istinye State Hospital, Department of Emergency Medicine Istanbul 1990-1995

- *Physician* Turkey
- *Hospital administrator*
- In clinical practice, evaluated 70-130 patients during 24-hour shifts
- Initiated & directed case-discussions & orientation sessions for physicians, contributing to better communication & departmental standardization
- In the Office of Chief of Medical Staff, responsibilities included but were not limited to mental & physical competency certifications, patient transfer requests approvals, staff reports

Purple Roof, Istanbul's First Women's Shelter Istanbul

- *Volunteer Clinical Consultant in Emergency Medicine* Turkey 1994
- Trained volunteer team on topics of emergency medicine
- Consulted to individual cases

Experiment in Int'l Living (Headquarters in the US) Istanbul 1976-1988,

- *"Ambassador"* Turkey Summer
- *Host family member* Programs
- Awarded scholarship by US-sponsored cultural exchange programs between USA & Turkey;
- Presented on bi-cultural topics, visited leading institutions, including the White House, participated in home stays in hosting countries;
- Received international scholars as host for cultural exchange programs.

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## ***Leadership in performance arts***

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Theater Mie	Istanbul	1992-(1996)-
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Co-founder</i></li> <li>• <i>Lead actress</i></li> <li>• <i>Instructor:</i> Speech, voice, public speaking courses; diaphragm trainings, muscular conditioning exercises, performers' workout routines</li> <li>• <i>Spokesperson:</i> UN Childrens' Rights Treaty Campaign for its acceptance by the Grand National Assembly, collaborated with Istanbul's first Association for the Protection of Children</li> </ul>	Turkey	2000
The Firedog Theatre	Boston	1999
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Director of stage performances</i></li> </ul>	USA	
Tevfik Gelenbe Theater	Istanbul	1991-1992
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Actress</i></li> </ul>	Turkey	

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## Publications

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- Aydin Y\*, Kuday AD, **Tunaligil V**, Abuska DO, Yazicioglu M, Ozucelik DN. Prediagnostic clinical evaluations and double contrast computed tomography in suspected acute appendicitis. *Bosphorus Medical Journal*. [Accepted for publication. June 6, 2023.]
- Aydin Y\*, **Tunaligil V**, Hincal SO, Odemis I, Eyupoglu G, Turkdogan KA. The impact of ambulance disinfection methodology on 112 emergency health care parameters, during the COVID-19 pandemic in Istanbul. *Global Emergency and Critical Care*. 2022;1(3),83–8. doi:10.4274/globecc.galenos.2022.35119
- Aydin Y\*, Hincal SO, Odemis I, Eyupoglu G, **Tunaligil V**, Turkdogan KA. Demographic and clinical characteristics of COVID-19 cases at the 112 emergency call centers in Istanbul. *Global Emergency and Critical Care*. 2022;1(2),40–5. doi:10.4274/globecc.galenos.2022.13008
- **Tunaligil V\***, Meral G, Dabak MR, Canbulat M, Demir SS. COVID-19 and the flu: Data simulations and computational modelling to guide public health strategies [published correction appears in Fam Pract. 2023 Feb 9;40(1):209]. *Family Practice*. 2021;38(Suppl 1):i16-i22. doi:10.1093/famppra/cmab058
- **Tunaligil V**, Meral G, Kati A\*, Chattopadhyay D, Mandal AK. COVID-19 epigenetics and implications for public health. *Coronaviruses*. Oct 2021;2(2),235-40 doi:10.2174/2666796701999201005212515
- **Tunaligil V\***, Meral G. An exploratory public health investigation of the correlation between food allergies and pediatric obesity. *Annals of Medical Research*. May 2021;28(1):149-53. doi:10.5455/annalsmedres.2020.05.522
- **Tunaligil V\***, Tuzgen IE, Ozdemir H, Albayrak S. Health care services in Istanbul for “Syrians of concern”. *Cumhuriyet Medical Journal*. 2019;41(3):576-91. doi:10.7197/cmj.vi.610401
- **Tunaligil V\***, Cicek Y, Dabak MR, Albayrak S. Public administration of health tourism, on the rise in Istanbul. *Journal of Social Sciences and Humanities*. Nov 2019;5(4):402-7. <http://www.aiscience.org/journal/paperInfo/jssh?paperId=4677>
- Meral G\*, Celik Y, **Tunaligil V**, Yasar R, Kilinc T, Ebru Gungor E, Tahiroglu S, Yapaner E, Zengin K, Kaymaz H. Families' level of knowledge regarding Shaken Baby Syndrome. *Anatolian Clinic the Journal of Medical Sciences (Anadolu Klin)* 2018. doi: 10.21673/anadoluklin.402041
- Meral G\*, **Tunaligil V**, Topsakal S, Kayacik A, Sagit BH, Unsal B, Uzumcu AR. Teachers' point of view on traumatic tales in selection of books for children. *International Journal of Recent Scientific Research*. 2017 Oct;8(10):20473-8. doi: <http://dx.doi.org/10.24327/ijrsr.2017.0810.0899>.
- **Tunaligil V\***, Dokucu AI, Erdogan MS. Determinants of general health, work-related strain, and burnout in public and private emergency medical technicians in Istanbul. *Workplace Health and Safety*. 2016 Jul;64(7):301-12. doi: 10.1177/2165079916632243.
- Munir K\*, Ergene T, **Tunaligil V**, Erol N. A window of opportunity for the transformation of national mental health policy in Turkey following two major earthquakes. *Harvard Review of Psychiatry*. 2004 Jul-Aug;12(4):238-51. doi: 10.1080/10673220490509615.



- Munir K\*, Erol N, Ergene T, **Tunaligil V**, Harper G, Belfer M. Research capacity building efforts in mental health and developmental disabilities in Turkey. Newsletter. *Journal of the American Academy of Child & Adolescent Psychiatry*. 2003;34(5):261-2.
- Tunaligil V. Health Tourism provincial working group held its first meeting. *Health in Istanbul, the Official Journal of the TR MoH HDI (Istanbul'da Saglik Dergisi ISSN 1300-9346)*. Bulletin. Jul-Sep 2015;(3):60-1.
- Tunaligil V. Health Tourism and Istanbul. *Health in Istanbul, the Official Journal of the TR MoH HDI (Istanbul'da Saglik Dergisi ISSN 1300-9346)*. 2015 Apr-Jun;(2):68-9.
- Tunaligil V. The R&D era for health care: R&D activities gain momentum in Istanbul. Bulletin. *The Pulse in Health, Journal of Current & Social Medicine (Saglikta Nabiz Aktuel ve Sosyal Tip Dergisi ISSN 1308-6006)*. 2010;7(25):40-5.
- Tunaligil V. A premier between Health Directorate of Istanbul and Harvard University: International Summer Course on Research Methodology in Public Health and Medical Sciences. Newsletter. *Health in Istanbul, the Official Journal of the TR MoH HDI (Istanbul'da Saglik Dergisi ISSN 1300-9346)*. Sep-Oct 2010; 60-4.
- Tunaligil V. Reasearch and development workshop: Research capacity building in health services. Newsletter. *Health in Istanbul, the Official Journal of the TR MoH HDI (Istanbul'da Saglik Dergisi ISSN 1300-9346)*. Nov-Dec 2009;36-7.
- **Tunaligil V\***. Toward mutual understanding of public health and human rights aspects of developmental disabilities in the aftermath of emergencies. (World Congress IASSID International Association for the Scientific Study of International Disability, Montpellier, France, 2004.) Individual in Society. *Journal of Intellectual Disability Research*. 2004;48(4-5):481. [Printed abstract]
- **Tunaligil V\*** et al. 1- Arabinoxylan 2- Arnica 3- Bacopa 4- Licorice. Official Natural Standard, the Authority on Integrative Medicine. Monograph. 2002. (\*Author/Editor. Monograph analyses appear in books, evidence-based publications, academic journals, medical periodicals, newsletters, special reports, product inserts, websites.)

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## Presentations

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- **Tunaligil V.** Current assessments in precision assessments and public health. 2<sup>nd</sup> International Epigenetics Congress. September 2-3, 2023. Istanbul. [Oral presentation & printed abstract]
- **Tunaligil V.** Use of medical simulation in medical hypnosis patient-physician communication. 12th International Medical Hypnosis Congress. October 24-27, 2019. Istanbul. doi:10.13140/RG.2.2.11729.07522
- **Tunaligil V.** Research planning for disaster medical hypnosis. 11th International Congress of Medical Hypnosis. November 23-25, 2018. Istanbul. <http://www.thdhypnosis.org.tr/wp-content/uploads/2019/01/Verda-Tunal%20gil-Ola%20Fan-D%20B1%20C5%20F%20B1-Durumlarda-T%20bbi-Hipnoz-Ara%20Ft%20rmalar%20n%20Planlanmas%20-.pdf>
- **Tunaligil V,** Tuzgen IE, Ozdemir H, Albayrak S. Health services for Syrian asylum-seekers in Istanbul. 10<sup>th</sup> Family Medicine Congress. Istanbul, Turkey. June 3-4, 2016. [Oral presentation & printed abstract]
- **Tunaligil V.** Integrating international health services, a progressive approach. 7<sup>th</sup> International Health Tourism Congress. Istanbul, Turkey. November 18-21, 2015. [Oral presentation & printed abstract]
- **Tunaligil V,** Cicek Y, Dabak MR, Albayrak S. Medical tourism on the rise in Istanbul: Investing in regional development and the role of local government in health tourism. 7<sup>th</sup> International Health Tourism Congress. Istanbul, Turkey. November 18-21, 2015. [Poster presentation]
- **Tunaligil V,** Konukoglu R, Tosun F, Dokucu AI. TR MoH Health Directorate of Istanbul, Research and Development Unit sets out for a universal approach in health promotion. 19th International Conference on Health Promoting Hospitals and Health Services (HPH). Turku, Finland. June 3, 2011. [Poster presentation]
- Konukoglu R, Baysal SU, **Tunaligil V.** Preliminary study for health development project of TR MoH, a training & research hospital, within the context of health promoting hospitals. 19th Int'l Conference on HPH. Turku, Finland. June 3, 2011. [Poster presentation]
- **Tunaligil V.** TR MoH Health Directorate of Istanbul primary & public health care services. Panel one. Iraq & Regional Health Summit. Istanbul. May 21, 2010. [Presented to Iraqi Minister of Health & colleagues.] [Oral presentation & printed abstract]
- Munir K, Ergene T, **Tunaligil V.** Toward mutual understanding of public health & human rights aspects of developmental disabilities in the aftermath of emergencies. 12th World Congress of the Int'l Association for the Scientific Study of Intellectual Disabilities. Montpellier, France. June 18, 2004. [Oral presentation & printed abstract]
- Munir K, **Tunaligil V,** Dag I. Resource development for int'l reseach training. 39th National Psychiatry Congress. Antalya. October 18, 2003. [Oral presentation & printed abstract]
- **Tunaligil V\*.** R&D Feasibility study for financial efficiency in EMS. 1- Project development implementation meeting; 2- Activation workshop; 3- Project conclusion meeting; 4- Commission

meeting; 5- Final report on scope & results: Cost-effectiveness platform in emergency medical services (EMS). Istanbul Development Agency, Direct Support for Activities Program ISTKA/2011/DFD/35. Beneficiary: TR MoH HDI R&D Unit. Istanbul. January 17, 26, April 3, 4, 13, 2012. [\*Committee chair, chief research officer, team leader] [Oral presentations]

- **Tunaligil V.** The R&D vision of the TR MoH HDI: Looking to the future through the framework of academic collaborations. Educational seminars for graduate students. Namik Kemal University, Corlu Faculty of Engineering, Biomedical Technologies, R&D Working Group. Tekirdag. Fall semester. December 12, 2011. [Academic seminar]
- **Tunaligil V.** Emergency interventions & post-disaster policy transformations in community mental health. Educational seminars for undergraduate students on preventive medicine & public health. Yeditepe University, Faculty of Arts & Sciences, Department of Psychology. Istanbul. April 28, 2010. [Academic seminar]
- **Tunaligil V.** 1- Developmental disabilities, health & human rights, opportunities for policy development in the aftermath of unusual circumstances. 2- National health accounts. 3- Global burden of disease. 4- Cost-effectiveness. Educational seminars for graduate & post graduate students. Istanbul University, Cerrahpasa Medical Faculty, Dept. of Public Health. April 9, 30, May 7, 21, 2008. [Academic seminars]
- **Tunaligil V\*.** R&D conference series 2: Resource development for health research. Kaynak Geliştirme. Educational seminars & workshops. TR MoH HDI R&D Unit. June 21-23, 2011. [\*Committee chair, R&D head] [Oral presentations]
- **Tunaligil V\*.** Research and development conference series 1: Research capacity building in health care services. Educational seminars & workshops. TR MoH HDI R&D Unit. November 16-18, 2009. [\*Committee chair, R&D head] [Oral presentations]
- **Tunaligil V\*.** Founding vision & strategic promotion of innovative R&D activities. TR MoH HDI R&D Unit. Meetings for chief executive hospital medical directors; August 28, 2009; October 27, 2009; April 12, 2010. Meeting chief nurse executives March 30, 2010. İstanbul. [\*R&D head] [Oral presentations]
- **Tunaligil V et al.** Istanbul Health Expo Health Tourism, Medical Technologies, Medical Specialty Fair & Congress. December 10-13, 2014. [TR MoH int'l health services, informational & promotional presentations]
- **Tunaligil V et al.** ExpoMed International Medical Exhibitions. Istanbul. March 18-21, 2010; March 31-April 3, 2011; April 12-15, 2012. [TR MoH R&D informational & promotional presentations]
- **Tunaligil V.** The int'l student's adjustment to the US. The Olin Center for Int'l Study. Boston, Massachusetts. USA. November 1999. [Oral presentation]
- **Tunaligil V.** 1- Turkey, country presentation. 2- Impressions from a first visit to the US. Rotary Int'l & the Rotary Foundation. Illinois, USA. August, September 1985. [Oral presentations]

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## Contributions

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- Munir K *et al.* Republic of Turkey national mental health policy. WB, Marmara Earthquake Emergency Reconstruction (MEER) Project Trauma Program [original publications in English & in Turkish]. TR MoH, Ankara. September 2006. [US program coordinator, scientific & technical advisor] [Official report]
- **Tunaligil V\***. R&D Feasibility study for financial efficiency in EMS. Final report. Istanbul Development Agency, Direct Support for Activities Program ISTKA/2011/DFD/35. Beneficiary: TR MoH HDI R&D Unit. Istanbul. May 8, 2012. [\*Principle investigator, team leader] [Technical report]
- Reported on the current state of health systems in Turkey. 17th meeting report of the HPH general assembly (upon invitation only). WHO Collaborating Centre for Evidence-Based Health Promotion in Hospitals & Health Services, Bispebjerg University Hospital. Int'l Network of HPH. Turku, Finland. June 1, 2011. [Contribution to report]
- Report on cancer control, recording, early detection, screening, epidemiological research, etc. Istanbul cancer control advisory board meetings. TR MoH Cancer Control Unit. İstanbul. December 22, 2011. [Contribution to assessment report]
- Current state of health services R&D in Istanbul [original report in Turkish]. Health in Istanbul 2010 [original title of manual in Turkish "İstanbul'da Sağlık 2010"]. TR MoH HDI, activities report. Page 60. İstanbul. 2011. [Contribution to assessment report]
- TR Ministry for EU Affairs, TR Governorship of Istanbul Foreign Relations & the EU Coordination Center, EU Compliance Advisory & Steering Committee\*. Reported on EU-supported programs on health topics throughout the city; contributed annual activity reports for years 2010, 2011, 2012. [\*Committee/board member, R&D head] [Contribution to assessment reports]
- TR MoH 2010 rights symposium & workshop on health. Presented on rights of psychiatric patients. İstanbul. March 12, 2010. [Oral presentation & contribution to working report]
- Turkish Medical Association, Chamber of Medicine of Istanbul, commission report on unusual circumstance health services. Page 56. Istanbul 2008. [Contribution to report]

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**Awards, Scholarships, Acknowledgments, Certificates of Recognition**


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- [Grant support] Principle investigator. R&D Feasibility study for financial efficiency in EMS. İSTKA/2011/DFD/35. Istanbul Development Agency, Direct Support for Activities Program İSTKA/2011/DFD/35. Beneficiary: TR MoH HDI R&D Unit. Istanbul. January 15-April 13, 2012.
- [Grant support] Guest researcher. From the past into the future: European museums in public health & medical sciences 2010-1-TR1-LEO03-15248. TR National Agency Center for EU Education & Youth Programmes Lifelong Learning Program (LLP) Leonardo da Vinci (LdV) Vocational Training Mobility Project. Beneficiary: TR MoH HDI Istanbul Health Museum. London, UK. April 3-17, 2011.
- [Grant support] New opportunities initiative: Making technical teaching a genuine option. 2010-SV-01-TR-LLP-01818. Hibe Desteği: TR National Agency Center for EU Education & Youth Programmes Study Visits Program. Marvão, Portugal. October 18-22, 2010. [Withdrew from program upon announcement of eligibility for funding]
- [Honorary testimonial certificate] In recognition of outstanding efforts on duty & valuable contributions to health services, rewarded by TR Governorship of Istanbul, pursuant to article 122 of law no. 657 on civil servants. Certificate date March 23, 2010 & no. 25.
- [Certificate of appreciation] In recognition of outstanding efforts on duty & valuable contributions to health services, rewarded by TR MoH HDI, pursuant to article 122 of law no. 657 on civil servants. Certificate date February 8, 2011 & no. 3005.
- [Certificate of appreciation] In recognition of superior performance as program director & instructor in the organization of "R&D conference series 1: Research capacity building in health care services" rewarded by TR MoH HDI. Istanbul. November 16-18, 2009.
- [Plaque] Founding R&D Head. In recognition of notable achievements within the scope of R & D activities throughout the city, received on behalf of TR MoH R&D Unit. İstanbul. June 21, 2011.
- [Certificate of congratulations] Founding R&D Head. In appreciation of successful conduction of R&D training activities, hence effective communication & coordination with the relevant bodies of the MoH, efficacy in grant-supported program monitoring designed to facilitate int'l collaborations. Presented by Deputy Governor of Istanbul; rewarded by TR MoH HDI. June 21, 2011.
- [Certificate of congratulations] In consideration of eligibility for EU support for study visit 2010-SV-01-TR-LLP-01818, rewarded by TR MoH HDI. June 21, 2011.
- [Graduate student council representative] Elected for two consecutive years (2008-2009-2010). Nominated by Chief of Dept. of Public Health, Cerrahpasa Faculty of Medicine, Istanbul University. Official letter dates / numbers November 11, 2008 / 368 & November 2, 2009 / 233.
- [Partial scholarship] In support of Master of Public Health (MPH) degree at the Dept. of Health Policy & Management, rewarded by Harvard School of Public Health (HSPH). Boston, USA. 2000-2001.
- [Nomination] HSPH'01 Alumni Presidency, nomited three times for MPH graduating class. Boston. 2001.

- [Letter & token of appreciation] In consideration of role in facilitating earthquake response transcultural relief efforts by Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center, Harvard Medical School Teaching Hospital. 1999.
- [Nomination] for inclusion in the Great Women of the 21st Century directory of the American Biographical Institute. Nominated by NIH Fogarty Fellow & Professor of Public Health at TR Hacettepe University. Boston, USA. 2004.
- [Certificate of Honor] In celebration of the 20th anniversary of graduation from medical school, Cerrahpasa Faculty of Medicine, Istanbul University. October 9, 2010.
- [Author's acknowledgement] Oner O, Oner P, Aysev A, Küçük O, Ibis E. Regional cerebral blood flow in children with ADHD: changes with age. Brain Dev. June 2005; 27 (4): 279-285.
- [Author's acknowledgement] Aslan D, Altintas H, Emri S, Cesuroğlu T, Kotan O, Koyuncu S, Malçok O, Meral A, Ozcan S, Sarinç S. Self-evaluations of tuberculosis patients about their illnesses at Ankara Atatürk Sanatorium Training & Research Hospital, Turkey. Respir Med. July 2004;98(7):626-31.
- [Scholarship for cultural exchange] Ambassador's Program, Experiment in Int'l Living. US state scholarship with additional support from local organizations. The program included stays in NYC, Washington DC & local family homestay in Michigan State, USA. Summer 1988 (2 mths).
- [Scholarship for cultural exchange] Experiment in Int'l Living. US state scholarship with additional support from local organizations including Rotary Int'l & the Rotary Foundation. Illinois. With participation from forty-four different countries, the program included stays in NYC, Washington DC & local family homestay in Illinois State, USA. Summer 1985 (2 mths).
- [Scholarship for cultural exchange] Experiment in Int'l Living. The program included stay in London & local family homestay in Kettering, UK. Summer 1982 (2 wks).
- [Scholarship for cultural exchange] Experiment in Int'l Living. Host family for guests from the UK. İstanbul. Five summers, 1976-1984 (each 1-mth-long).