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Dr. Salija Ljatif Petrushovska holds a university degree from the Faculty of Dental Medicine in Skopje and she is the Director of the Specialized Hospital for Geriatric and Palliative Medicine in R. North Macedonia. She is born on the 10th of January 1989, in Skopje, in a Roma family. During her studies, Dr. Salija Ljatif Petrushovska was awarded with the Roma Memorial University Scholarship Program and with the Roma Health Scholarship Program supported by the Open Society Foundations. For more than 10 years, in the framework of the scholarship programs, she has attended various pieces of training on discrimination, advocacy, gender issues, conflict management, negotiation skills, and other relevant topics important from the aspects of the Roma health policies.

Dr. Salija Ljatif Petrushovska is having more of 10 years of professional background in civic society organizations, with a focus on health-related projects, and active contribution in the non-governmental sector through different programs. In 2018, she won the,,13 November'' award of the city of Skopje in recognition for the continued successful work in the field of health. In 2018, she initiated the transformation of the Institute for Gerontology and Palliative Medicine into a currently Specialized Hospital for Gerontology and Palliative Medicine. Finally, after more than 20 years of continuous efforts to establish an organized formal palliative care movement in R. North Macedonia, in December 2017,Dr. Lj. Petrushovska has actively supported the formation of the Association of Palliative Care in the framework of the Specialized Hospital for Gerontology and Palliative Medicine, who became a member of the European and International Assosiation of Hospice and Palliative Care.

In 2018, she started her Master's Degree in Public Health at the Medical Faculty of the University "Ss. Cyril and Methodius"- Skopje.

Dr. Salija Lj. Petrushovska has developed a deep understanding not only about the health issues in general but also about the Roma health issues as well, because, she grew up in a Roma community by herself.