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Date of Birth : 27.04.1974
Place of Birth : Ankara / TURKEY
Marital Status : Married with two children

WORK EXPERIENCE

2015 – to date : **Başkent University Paramedic Program (Ankara/Turkey)**
Senior Lecturer

Key Responsibilities:

- Planning and delivering paramedic skills training, rescue, trauma and medical emergencies.
- Planning, overseeing and evaluating clinical placement and ambulance ride-along for the students.

2014 – to date : **Near East University Paramedic Program (Northern Cyprus)**
Adjunct Lecturer

Key Responsibilities:

- Planning and delivering paramedic skills training, rescue, trauma and medical emergencies.

2010 – 2015 : **Delta Group Health Training & Consulting Co. Ltd. (Ankara/Turkey)**
Executive Director / Co-founder

Key Responsibilities:

- Developing and providing training to healthcare professionals and lay public in emergency care, first aid, disaster preparedness, emergency response planning and response, fire safety and rescue with representation of nationally and internationally recognized organizations.
- Providing consultation and training to institutions in occupational safety and health, emergency management systems and emergency response.
- Providing consultation to ambulance services in quality management systems and quality improvement methods.
- Training Center Coordinator - AHA (American Heart Association)
- Training Center Coordinator - ECSI (Emergency Care and Safety Institute)

- 2013 – 2014 :** **GÖKSAR Air Ambulance Services / (Turkey)**
Medical Operations Director / Clinical Training Coordinator
- Key Responsibilities:**
- Planning and running over 80 person-strong medical team operations
 - Organizing and delivering orientation and in-house training for over 80 medical staff including physicians and paramedics.
- 2012 – 2013 :** **City of Ankara Emergency Medical Services (Turkey)**
Field Paramedic / Station Chief
- Key Responsibilities:**
- Responding medical emergencies within the area of responsibility.
 - Supervisory management of 15 person station force.
Delivering in-house clinical, operational and rescue training for 1,400 member service.
- 2009 – 2011 :** **Koçoğlu Air Ambulance Services / Ankara Operations Center (Turkey)**
Chief Flight Medic / Training and Quality Officer
- Key Responsibilities:**
- Attending critical care and trauma patients as a flight medic.
 - Organizing and delivering orientation and in-house training for over 80 medical staff including physicians and paramedics.
 - Keeping medical statistics and preparing regular managerial and staff-oriented reports.
 - Developing and tracking key performance indicators for medical division.
- 2007 – 2009 :** **City of Ankara Emergency Medical Services (Turkey)**
Field Paramedic / Station Chief
- Key Responsibilities:**
- Responding medical emergencies within the area of responsibility.
 - Supervisory management of 15 person station force.
 - Delivering in-house clinical, operational and rescue training for 1,400 member service.
- 2004 – 2005 :** **Johnson & Johnson Cardiology Division (Colorado, USA)**
Inventory Specialist / State Coordinator
- Key Responsibilities:**
- Coordinating supply management for Cordis Cypher stents within the state.
- 2004 – 2005 :** **Pridemark Paramedic Services (Colorado, USA)**
Field Paramedic
- Key Responsibilities:**
- Responding medical emergencies within the area of responsibility.
- 2003 - 2004 :** **Rural/Metro Ambulance (Colorado, USA)**
Field Paramedic
- Key Responsibilities:**
- Responding medical emergencies within the area of responsibility.

2000 – 2005 : **Wilderness Medicine Institute (Wyoming, USA)**
Instructor

Key Responsibilities:

- Delivering wilderness medicine and SAR/survival related classes throughout the Western United States

MILITARY SERVICE

2005 – 2006 : 1st Lieutenant – Turkish Armed Forces

EDUCATION

Doctoral : **2010 – on going**
Hacettepe University (Ankara, TURKEY)
Health Services Management (PhD candidate)

Masters : **2007 – 2010**
University of Ankara (Ankara, TURKEY)
Health Services Management (MSc)

Undergraduate : **1991 – 1998**
Ortadođu Technical University (Ankara, TURKEY)
Statistics (BS)

Associate : **2004**
Red Rocks Community College (Colorado, USA)
Paramedicine

Professional Certificates

- Paramedic (Colorado, USA)
- Flight Paramedic (IAFP)
- Critical Care Transport Paramedic (UMBC)
- Critical Care Course (Denver Health)
- Trauma Critical Care Course (Denver Health)
- Basic Life Support / Instructor-Coordinator (AHA)
- Advanced Cardiovascular Life Support / Instructor-Coordinator (AHA)
- Pediatric Advanced Life Support (AHA)
- Prehospital Trauma Life Support / Instructor (NAEMT)
- Advanced Medical Life Support (NAEMT)
- Neonatal Resuscitation Program (AHA)
- Planning of EMS Operations in Weapons of Mass Destruction (TEEX)
- Search & Rescue (SAR) Technician – Level II (NASAR)
- Firefighter I-II (Texas, USA)
- Wildland Firefighter (NWCG)
- Hazardous Material - Operations (Texas, USA)
- Urban Search and Rescue (Turkish Civil Defence)

Peer Reviewed Publications/Congress Proceedings

- **Ozel, G.**, Yaylaci, S., Noji, E. Medical Capacity of Disaster First Responders in Turkey. Prehosp Disast Med 2005;20(2):s61–s62
- Eryilmaz, M., Sarp, N., **Ozel, G.** Past, Present, and Future of National Medical Rescue Teams-The Turkish Experience. Prehosp Disast Med 2007;22(2):s1016.
- Eryilmaz, M. Wang, S.J., Suner, S., Levett, J., Sarp, N. , **Ozel, G.** Comparison of Hospital Incident Command Systems (HICS) in Hospital of Four Different Countries: Does HICS Mean the Same Everywhere? Prehosp Disast Med 2007;22(2):s107-s108.
- **Ozel, G.**, Sarp, N., Demircan, A., Akbuga, B. Hospital Fires: Gazi University Case. Prehosp Disast Med 2007;22(2) s: 158-s159.
- Özdoğan, M., Ağalar, F., Eryilmaz, M., **Özel, G.**, Taviloğlu, K. Prehospital life support in trauma patients: basic or advanced trauma life support. Ulus Travma Acil Cerrahi Derg. 2006; 12(2): 87-94

Scientific Meeting Presentations

Özel, G. Air medical transport of critical care patients. X. Ulusal Dahili ve Cerrahi Bilimler Yoğun Bakım Kongresi. 2013. İstanbul

Özel, G. Challenges in Air Medical Transport in Turkey. III. Eurasian Emergency Medicine Congress. 2012. Antalya

Özel, G. Paramediğin, “Ölüm Kararında Karşılaştığı Zorluklar”. I. Ulusal Paramedik Kongresi. 2012. Antalya

Özel, G. Helicopter ambulances: flight and operations safety. Ambulance Safety and Ambulance Ergonomics Panel. 2010. Ankara

Özel, G. Havadan Pediyatrik Hasta Nakli. VII. Ulusal Çocuk Acil Tıp ve Yoğun Bakım Kongresi ve I. Pediyatrik Paramedik ve ATT Kongresi. 2010. Adana

Özel, G. Pain management in the field. VII. National Pediatric Emergency Medicine and Critical Care Congress, 2010. Adana

Özel, G. First aid in mountaineering. V. Outdoor Sports and Science Symposium. 2009. Ankara

Ağırbaş, İ., **Özel, G.**, Erkol, Ü. Hekimlerin Sağlık Kurumlarının Maliyetleri Hakkındaki Tutum ve Görüşlerine İlişkin Bir Değerlendirme. Sağlık ve Hastane İdaresi Kongresi. 2008. Antalya.

Özel, G. Multiple Travmalı Hastaya Alanda Yaklaşımda Yenilikler Var mı? IV. Paramedik Sempozyumu. 2008. ANKARA

Özel, G. Mağara Ekspedisyonlarında Risk Planlaması ve Sağlık Yönetimi IV. Ulusal Speleoloji Sempozyumu. 2008. Ankara

Özel, G. Doğa Sporlarında Arama-Kurtarma Operasyonu Anatomisi ve Yönetimi IV. Doğa Sporları ve Bilim Sempozyumu. 2007. Ankara

Özel, G. Travmalı Hastanın Havadan Transportu. III. Türkiye Acil Tıp Kongresi. 2007. İzmir.

Özel, G. Yurt Dışında Acil Sağlık Hizmetlerinde Yasal Sorumluluklar. Uluslararası Katılımlı III. Ambulans Rallisi ve Acil Sağlık Hizmetleri Kongresi. 2007. Ankara

Book Chapters (Authored/Co-authored)

- **Gürkan Özel**, Devin Price. *Spinal Immobilization*.
EMS: A Practical Global Guidebook, PMPH, USA, 2010.
- Devin T. Price, **Gürkan Özel**. *Extremity Immobilization Skills*.
EMS: A Practical Global Guidebook, PMPH, USA, 2010.
- **Gürkan Özel**. *Other Procedures (Helmet Removal, Impaled Objects, Pain Management)*.
EMS: A Practical Global Guidebook, PMPH, USA, 2010.
- **Gürkan ÖZEL**. *Hastane Öncesi Acil Sağlık Hizmetleri*
Tüm Yönleriyle Acil Tıp, 11-23. Nobel Yayınevi 2010
- **Gürkan ÖZEL**. *Hastane Öncesi Acil Sağlık Hizmetlerinde Hava Ambulanslarının Rolü*
Her Yönüyle Acil Tıp, 93-94. Serdar Yayınevi 2008
- **Gürkan ÖZEL**. *ABD’nde Paramedik Eğitim Sistemi ve Ülkemiz İçin Öneriler*
Her Yönüyle Acil Tıp, 229-230. Serdar Yayınevi 2008
- **Gürkan ÖZEL**. *Afetlerde Yaralı Stabilizasyonu*
Afet Tıbbı, 385-388. Ünsal Yayınları Ankara 2005
- **Gürkan ÖZEL**. *Afetlerde Paramedik Hizmetleri*
Afet Tıbbı, 1041-1043. Ünsal Yayınları Ankara 2005

Book Reviews

- Prehospital Trauma Life Support. Mosby/JEMS; 6th Ed., 2006

Languages

- Turkish – Mother tongue
- English – Fluent speaking, reading and writing skills
- German– Basic speaking, reading and writing skills

Professional Membership

- Turkish Paramedic Educators Association (President)
- Turkish Society of Transport Medicine (President)
- International Association of Critical Care and Flight Paramedics
- Turkish Paramedic Association (Vice President)