

# TRAINING WORKSHOPS AND LANGUAGE COURSES

## *IN LITHUANIA*

Soros International House (SIH) organized a training workshop for professional language teachers on 20th of March 2014. It was attended by 8 participants. The duration of the workshop was 8 hours, during which the “Take Care” project and its products were presented, the methodology for running a short language course was introduced and the Healthcare Guide was demonstrated.

All participants were professional adult educators and language teachers and they expressed their satisfaction with the overall workshop experience. They see the possibility to use the methods introduced in the workshop in language courses not only for migrants, but also for the local community.

The language course for migrants in Lithuania was held on 25th-30th of April 2014. A total of 18 people participated in the course. They were introduced to the healthcare system in Lithuania, developed speaking skills and broadened their vocabulary. With the help of teachers the participants learned to name general symptoms and discussed topics relevant to them in the field of healthcare. Throughout the course the participants not only gained new knowledge, but also had the opportunity to share their experience and impressions about the healthcare services in Lithuania. Active methods, such as group discussions, dialogues in pairs, peer correction, etc. were used in order to engage the participants in active communication and participation in the lessons. All participants evaluated it as very useful for their overall language learning and integration process.