

To apply for certification, you can contact the Secretariat of the Turkish Cerebrovascular Diseases Society (turk.bdhd@gmail.com or bdhd@bdhd.org.tr) or Prof. Dr. Ayça Özkul (2025-2028), Head of the Interventional Neurology Working Group of the Turkish Neurology Association (ozkulayca@hotmail.com).

1- CRITERIA FOR CENTERS AUTHORIZED TO PROVIDE INTERVENTIONAL NEUROLOGY TRAINING

1. The primary goal of training is to achieve the pre-determined objectives of the program. A combination of theoretical and practical applications must be provided to ensure competency.
2. The entire training program must be conducted at centers approved by the Turkish Neurological Society Interventional Neurology Working Group (TNS-INWG) and/or the Turkish Cerebrovascular Diseases Society (TCVDS). Centers must have neurological intensive care units and must be accredited as Stroke Centers by the Ministry of Health. The working group and/or TCVDS are responsible for the supervision of these centers.
3. All interventional neurologists providing training must be approved by TNS-INWG and/or TCVDS.
4. Training program requirements approved by INWG and/or TCVDS must be met. To qualify as a training center, the following conditions must be fulfilled:
 - a) The training center must perform a minimum annual volume of at least:
 - i. One hundred (100/year) intracranial neurointerventional cases
 - ii. Fifty (50/year) extracranial neurointerventional cases
 - iii. Eighty (80/year) thrombectomy cases
 - iv. One hundred (100/year) DSA cases
 - b) The Interventional Neurology training center must have at least 2 (two) interventional neurology specialists. The center director must be an interventional neurology specialist with at least 5 (five) years of experience in neuroangiographic and neurointerventional procedures following certification. The second specialist at the center must hold at least a Certificate 1 (Ischemic Stroke Endovascular and Secondary Endovascular Prevention Treatment Certification) in neurointerventional procedures.
 - c) The training supervisor of the teaching center must be an Interventional Neurology specialist who meets the training criteria.
 - d) The training supervisor of the teaching center must be a member of TCVDS.
 - e) The training center must be a comprehensive stroke center licensed by the Republic of Turkey Ministry of Health.
 - f) The training supervisor at the center must have at least 5 (five) years of Neurology specialty experience.

g) Training centers are inspected every two years by INWG and/or TCVD.

Training centers will be published on the TNS-INWG and/or TCVDS websites.