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Rósa is a critical care nurse and is currently working as a project manager in prevention of injuries at the Public Health Institute of Iceland.

She graduated as a Registered Nurse in 1977, as a critical care nurse in 1978 in Norway, and was awarded a Bachelor of Science in Nursing in 1996 from the University of Iceland, in Reykjavík.

She has worked as a critical care nurse for many years and held positions as a clinical teacher, Head Nurse and Nurse Manager. Besides Iceland she has worked in Norway, Sweden and Saudi Arabia. She is also one of the founders of the European federation of Critical Care Nursing association, EfCCNa in 1999 and has held various board positions as a meeting secretary, vice-president and is the president since 2008.

Rósa has been working at the Public Health Institute since 2007. One of the Public Health Institute's main goals in injury prevention is to introduce and initiate *Safe Community* in Iceland. It is one of Rosa's main roles to co-ordinate that process. The Institute is working towards an application to become a Certifying Centre.

The Public Health Institute in collaboration with the Ministry of Health in Iceland and WHO Collaborating Centre on Community Safety Promotion is hosting the Second European Regional Safe Community Conference Incorporating the 7th Nordic Conference on Safe Communities which will be held in Reykjavik, May 19–20, 2010. Rósa is the chair of the national organizing committee.

Rósa was appointed as WHO national focal person in prevention of injuries in 2008.