



Dear Colleagues,

Below you can find the "Save the Date" announcement of our first EuSEN webinar of this year. Registration for this webinar is still possible until Tuesday 12/04/2024 18:00 CET.

In this newsletter we also present the abstract of one of the presentations of the previous EuSEN webinar.

You will also find a report of the global emergency nursing summit held in Abu Dhabi.

EuSEN member Christien van der Linden from the Netherlands has won the award for best e-Poster at Emergency Nursing 2023 in San Diego. Here also a report.

Enjoy your reading.

Door Lauwaert on behalf of the EuSEN board



SAVE THE DATE

EMERGENCY NURSING

WEBINAR

Prehospital
blood draw by
EMS nurses in
chest pain
patients

Providing better mental
care in the pre-hospital
environment

Sexual-assault centre at
Landspítali National
University Hospital -
taking care of vulnerable
groups as an emergency
nurse

MARCH 13, 2024

starting at 18:00 till 19:15 via ZOOM

Info and free registration: www.eusen.org

Program

- 18:00: Introduction
- 18:05: “Prehospital blood draw by EMS nurses in chest pain patients” by **Johan van Nieuwkerk (NL)**
- 18:25: “Providing better mental care in the pre-hospital environment” by **Yousef Tamimi (SE)**
- 18:45: “Sexual-assault centre at Landspítali National University Hospital - taking care of vulnerable groups as an emergency nurse” by **Hulda Hrönn Björgúlfsdóttir (ISL)**
- 19:05: Q&A

Certificate of attendance will be mailed



TRANSFORMING HEALTHCARE: PIONEERING 'HOSPITAL AT HOME' IN SWITZERLAND

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www.spitalzollikerberg.ch

Abstract

The 'Hospital at Home' initiative, spearheaded by 'Visit – Spital Zollikerberg Zuhause,' presents a pioneering model for delivering hospital-equivalent care directly to patients' homes in Switzerland.

This innovative approach aligns with the World Home at Home (WHAHC) definition, representing a comprehensive substitute for acute inpatient hospital care.

The initiative ensures the delivery of medical staff, equipment, medications, and skills traditionally provided within hospital settings to select acute sick patients in the comfort of their homes.

This initiative marks the first successful implementation of its kind in Switzerland. The treatment of over 200 patients has yielded highly positive results, showcasing elevated patient satisfaction.

The provision of safe, high-quality medical and nursing care in patients' home environments is a hallmark of the initiative.

Importantly, the 'Hospital at Home' approach demonstrates a reduction in hospital-associated risks, including nosocomial infections, delirium, falls, use of sleep medications, and rehospitalization rates.

Moreover, the in-home treatment not only supports the health literacy of patients but also contributes to a sustainable elevation in overall health levels.

The overarching objective is to seamlessly integrate the 'Hospital at Home' model into the broader framework of the Swiss healthcare system.

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REPORT OF THE GLOBAL EMERGENCY NURSING SUMMIT

On December 7 2023 a global emergency nursing summit was organised in Abu Dhabi. It was part of a larger piece of work around raising the global voice of emergency nursing and was coordinated by IFEM. Several expert speakers from around the globe were invited.



Prof. Robert Crouch distilled the comments and information into a presentation (see next 5 slides)





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A view from Europe/United Kingdom



- The EU covers over 4 million km² and has 448.4 million inhabitants. Germany largest population, Malta smallest. Switzerland 8.4 Million. UK 67 Million
- Systems - tax-financed national health service systems and social insurance; insurance funds may be independent of the government
- Diverse population size & density.
- Ageing demography
- Emergency Nursing
 - Ambulance Setting (Europe) Emergency Departments/Urgent Treatments Centers
- Ageing nursing workforce



Workforce and training

Roles

- Pre-Hospital (Road/HEMS)
- Department Focused
- Nurse Practitioner/Advanced Clinical Practitioner/Consultant Practitioner
- Increasing AHPs (UK)

Education

- Diverse
- Short Course – Masters
- Emergency/Critical Care focus
- Variance across Europe
- Pre-requisites vary – staffing shortages driving change





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Challenges and opportunities



Increased demand
 Overcrowding
 Missed care
 Recruitment and Retention
 Junior workforce
 Lack of education development
 Professional Associations
 Career vs Job



Collaboration to agree educational standards
 Technological support for education
 Safe staffing toolkit
 Increased collaboration



Webinars
 Global Conferences
 Clinical career frameworks
 Enhanced/Advanced and consultant practice roles



Future directions





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AWARD-WINNING RESEARCH REVEALS EXTERNAL FACTORS CONTRIBUTE SIGNIFICANTLY TO ED OVERCROWDING

EuSEN-member Christien van der Linden from the Netherlands has won the award for best e-Poster at Emergency Nursing 2023 in San Diego. Van der Linden researched overcrowding in the emergency department from a new angle, focusing on external circumstances and changing patient demographics. Jeff Zagoudis interviewed her for Connection.

“It is important to continue implementing interventions to improve patient flow. Each intervention contributes, even if it only benefits a small subgroup,” said van der Linden. “Equally important is that each intervention raises awareness that reducing crowding and improving flow should be an ongoing and continuous process and involve the whole hospital.”

Ultimately, the results suggest hospitals need to be creative to help the most patients without overtaxing resources. “Balancing flexibility with resource limitations requires a proactive and adaptive approach,” van der Linden explained. “Adjusting our strategies and operations as circumstances change [ensures] the efficient and effective delivery of emergency care while maintaining the highest patient safety standards.”

Read the interview in Connection: https://library.gtxcel.com/enacconnection/library/item/december_2023/4157752/



FUTURE EVENTS

EuSEN Webinars 2024

- 13.03.2024 18:00 -19:30
- 12.06.2024 18:00 -19:30
- 20.11.2024 18:00 -19:30

The Polish Society of Emergency Nursing

From June 4th to 6th, 2024, amidst the shadow of over thirty million bricks used to construct the largest castle in Europe, the jubilee - the 10th Scientific and Training Conference of the Polish Society of Emergency Nursing will take place in Malbork. The theme of the conference is "RESCUE – A COMMON CAUSE." What has been known for years about this event is that it always focuses on the professional development of emergency nurses, exploring new areas of knowledge and skills.

What will surprise us in 2024 about this event, primarily designed for scientific and educational purposes but also strongly focused on community integration? Perhaps its interdisciplinary and media nature. It will bring together not only emergency nursing teams and emergency department nurses but also professionals from various medical specialties, doctors, paramedics, and individuals at different stages of their professional paths who collaborate with emergency medical representatives on a daily basis.

Consistent with the original concept, PTPR conferences always take place in different locations across Poland, in collaboration with regional nursing chambers and universities. This is done to facilitate participation for individuals from all over the country. Therefore, we encourage you to participate in the 10th PTPR Conference in Malbork.

We would be greatly honored if you could agree to endorse the event. All information is available on the conference website: www.ptpr.mimesis.com.pl

You are warmly invited

President of the Polish Society of Emergency Nursing
Marek Maślanka



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Global perspectives in Emergency Nursing

Emergency Nursing 2023 at San Diego offered attendees significant opportunities to visit with their counterparts from around the world and see how different — and alike — their emergency departments and practices are.

Ever wonder if ED nurses around the world experience the same patient complaints day in and day out? What about throughput, crowding or boarding issues?



Christien van der Linden PhD, RN, CEN, ENP, MSCE, (right) of the Netherlands and Matthew S. Howard, DNP, RN, CEN, TCRN, CPEN, CPN, FAEN, of the United States talked about the challenges emergency nurses face in both countries at the session “Global Perspectives in Emergency Nursing: What Can We Learn from Each Other?” at Emergency Nursing 2023 in San Diego

The session “Global Perspectives in Emergency Nursing: What Can We Learn from Each Other?” featured ED nurses from Ireland, Columbia, the United Arab Emirates, Hong Kong and the Netherlands talking about their daily challenges.

The discussion raised many valuable commonalities and differences.

For example, the session speakers shared how they handle patients who come to the ED regularly — known as frequent flyers.

Rafael Pineda-Perdomo, BSN, RN, said EDs in Colombia have very few frequent flyers because most visits require a minimum of two or three days, which discourage those patients.

Hong Kong hospitals do see frequent flyers, but when they are identified, a social worker is assigned to help them with issues that may be causing the frequent visits, according to Cheung “Terrance” Kai Yeung, DNurs, Bnurs (1st Hons), RN, PgD (AENP), FHKAN (Emergency).

Hospitals in the Netherlands also have frequent flyers, M. Christien van der Linden, PhD, RN, CEN, ENP, MSCE, noted. But only about a half percent of her ED patients fall into that category, thanks to the strong system of referrals from general practitioners.

The complete article “Attendees Delve into Issues Affecting ED Nurses Across the Globe” including information on other global sessions can be read at:

<https://www.emergencynursingnews.org/attendees-delve-into-issues-affecting-ed-nurses-across-the-globe/?fbclid=IwAR2hSAXED83MLCtPFKWS-GvPIo6wasa4xkzBsuvB1iZjYMvg7SYzib46Ve0>





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POSITION STATEMENT

A call for urgent action: Recognition of the Specialised and Advanced nursing profession in Europe
(see next pages)





A call for urgent action: Recognition of the Specialised and Advanced nursing profession in Europe

Specialised and advanced nursing plays a pivotal role in the provision of quality healthcare across Europe. However, these **essential healthcare workers** who are caring for our lives and are the backbone of the European healthcare systems face a lot of challenges in their everyday lives at work. **Unequal working conditions, salary standards, overstretched working hours and unsafe working environments** are just the tip of the iceberg that Specialised and Advanced nurses face every day. But the biggest challenges lie in the organisation of the profession itself within the EU in the areas of **education, recognition, and certification.**

This position paper emphasizes the urgent need for a harmonised minimal standard of certification

Certification Harmonisation:

The current landscape of Advanced and Specialised nursing³ certifications in Europe is marked by significant differentiation and fragmentation. This lack of standardisation diminishes the credibility of certifications, making it imperative to establish a **European Standardisation of Certification for**

Lifelong Learning:

A cornerstone of a robust nursing workforce is the commitment to lifelong learning⁴. Nurses should be provided with opportunities to **continually educate themselves, advance their skills⁵, and stay updated**

Challenges in Education and Training:

The diversity in objectives, systems, schemes, and education methods for Specialist and Advanced Nurses among EU Member States hampers the efficient use of resources and contributes to an ineffective integration in national education and training systems. Lack of regulation has adversely

affected the **availability of qualified specialist nurses and the provision of advanced nursing personnel in key healthcare positions.** Addressing these challenges is crucial for the overall effectiveness of healthcare systems.

for nurses in Europe, addressing the current issues of **differentiation, fragmentation, and the lack of credibility in existing certification programs¹.** Another identified but not recognised problem is the **absence of a mechanism for recognition on education and certification related to specialist and advanced nurses in the European context.**

These circumstances contribute to a further outflow of these essential professionals, which is an effect that we must avoid by all means. Strengthening the nursing profession is indeed fundamental to building a **resilient and effective healthcare workforce, ensuring the provision of high-quality care and optimal patient outcomes².**

nursing specialisations. Criteria for certification must be developed to ensure **consistency** and a **defined set of minimal standards** to establish a **harmonised baseline level of education and competency** for healthcare professionals across member states.

on digital and green technologies. By prioritising continuous professional development, we empower nurses to adapt to evolving healthcare landscapes and deliver the highest standards of care.

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Declaration of Priorities:

The Declaration of the Specialist and Advanced Nurse⁶ highlights key priorities for enhancing the role of professional nurses in European Healthcare towards 2030. A survey conducted by ESNQ on the declaration revealed that healthcare professionals urgently demand the **enhancement of specialist nurses' professional education**, the **establishment of a European framework for automatic recognition of specialist nursing qualifications**, the

development of a harmonised framework for the recognition of certificates, diplomas, and degrees, **improvement of financial conditions for nurses**, and the **creation of positive and supportive work environments**. These priorities, recognized also by ICN NP/APNN, are seen as fundamental pillars for the adoption of establish a **European Standardisation of Certification**.

Call to Action:

For these reasons ESNQ and ICN NP/APNN urgently call on European politicians to address the pressing issues faced by specialised and advanced nursing staff within our healthcare systems:

- We jointly appeal to policymakers to adopt a **harmonised definition⁷ of specialised and advanced nurses⁸** that would be used in a harmonized way for all European Specialised and Advanced nurses.

- We collectively demand the **harmonisation of certification, career pathways, continuous education, and improved working conditions**. These measures are paramount to shape the future of professional nurses in Europe.

- We call on the European policy makers to urgently **revise and adapt the Annex V of the Directive on the Recognition of Professional Qualifications⁹**.

- We call for a thorough **implementation by the European institutions of the WHO Bucharest declaration¹⁰**.

Our healthcare systems are under immense strain, with **high turnover rates** and **escalating mental health concerns** among healthcare professionals.

That's why we urge European policy makers to take these demands with utmost seriousness and to incorporate them in their working programs in a way to fortify our healthcare systems, enhance patient care, and support the dedicated nursing professionals who are at the forefront of delivering essential services to our communities.

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