

Transforming Nursing Practice with Lessons from Nursing History

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Objectives

- 1. Identify the impact of gender, culture and power in nursing practice in four period television dramas.
- 2. Compare the relationships between nurses and other healthcare personnel in four period dramas.
- 3. Describe how a knowledge of historical nursing practice can assist nurses to grow and transform their nursing practice.

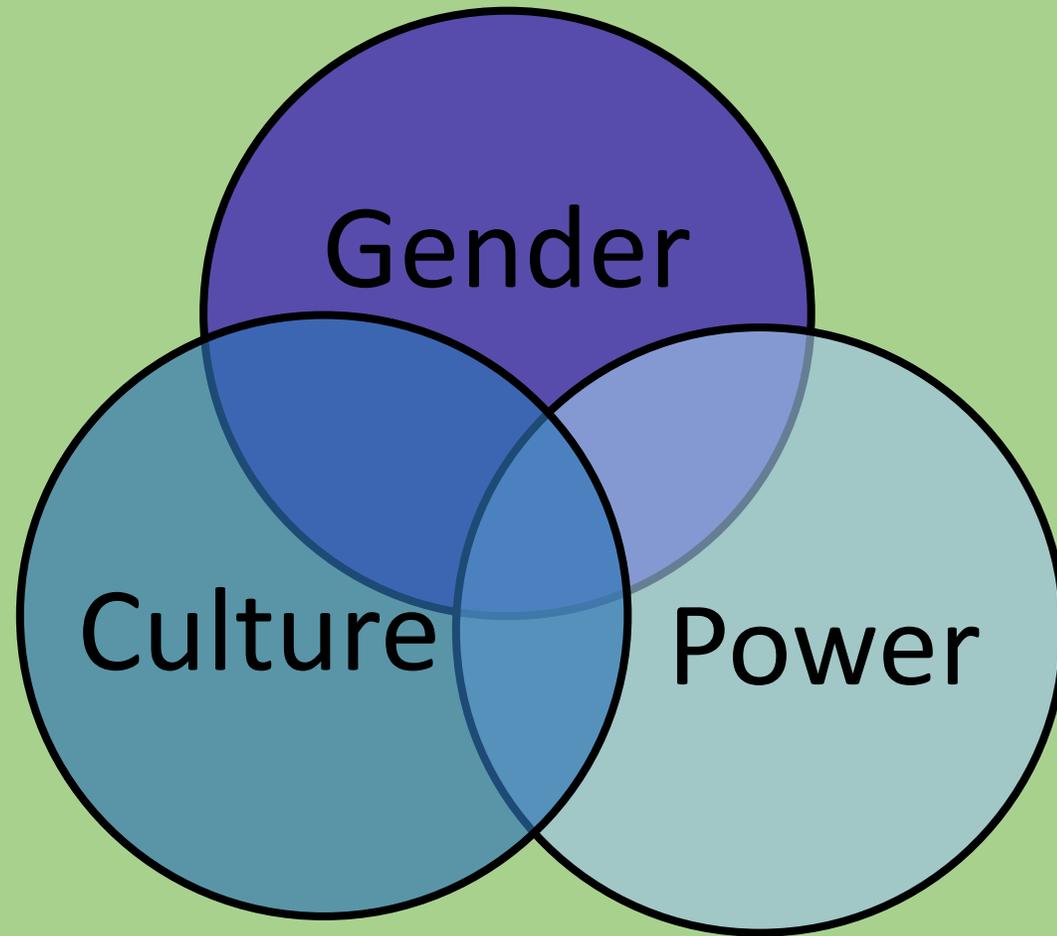
Media Portrayal of Nursing

Stereotype
Myth, or
Factual?



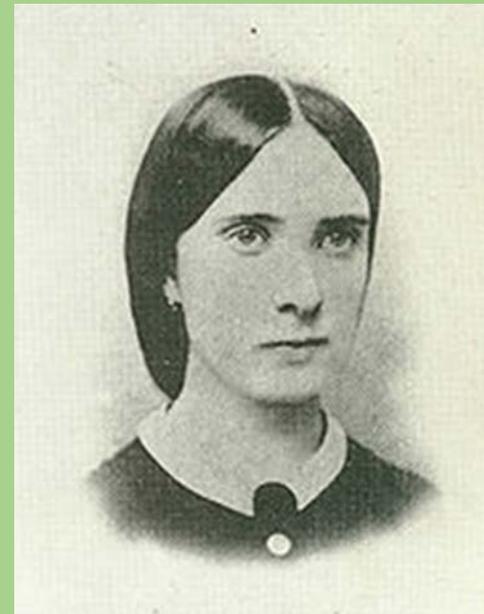
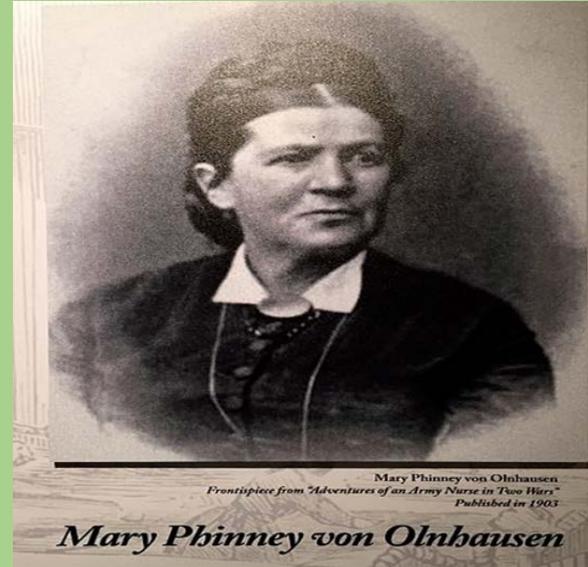
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Influences on Nursing Roles





Mercy Street (PBS, 2016)



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Abolitionist Mary
Phinney



Confederate Supporter
Emma Green

Infectious Disease Precautions?



<http://www.pbs.org/mercy-street/uncover-history/behind-lens/disease/>

Civil War



<http://www.pbs.org/mercy-street/uncover-history/behind-lens/disease/>

OPERATION Iraqi Freedom



Crimson Field (BBC, 2014)



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Role in UK Trained Nurses



Sister Joan Livesey



Sister Margaret Qualye



Matron Grace Carter

Volunteer Nurses



Rosalie



Flora



Kitty

Lasting Medical Advances from WWI

- Antiseptics to clean wounds
- Attention to hygiene
- Thomas splint for femur fractures
- Improvements in facial surgery
- Burn care
- Improvements in rehabilitation
- Identification of “Shell Shock”

Call the Midwife (BBC, 2012)

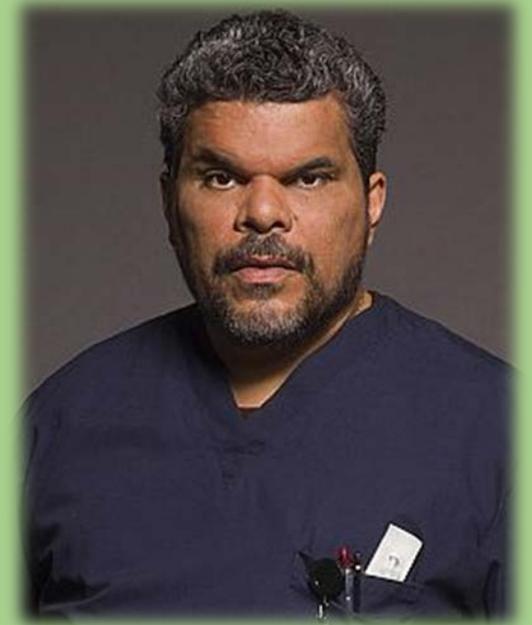


Code Black (CBS, 2015)



Words of Wisdom from Momma

- “You think you're smarter than your mama because you got an M.D.?... Well, you're not!”
- “Clearly, you don't speak the native tongue of my people: Sarcasm.”
- “Lean on each other, that's what siblings are for.”



<https://www.cbs.com/shows/code-black/>

Conclusion

- Historical Accuracy
- Current Medical Dramas
- Future Dramas

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