International Collaboration and Partnership: A pilot program developing roles of Advanced Practice Nurses in Israel

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Session Goal

The purpose of this presentation is to:

• Share the partnership creation processes to identify cultural differences, needs, and barriers;
• Develop common language and goals for the partnership;
• Identify stakeholders, institutional supports and barriers to recruitment, international academic validation and acceptance, and enrollment.
Session Learning Objectives

1. Identify strategies to develop and sustain global academic-practice partnerships to advance the profession of nursing.
2. Describe the processes of developing a US-Middle East partnership between distinctly diverse environmental, academic, and health system cultures.
3. Explain adaptation process utilized in selection and enrollment of internationally educated nurses to a bi-national online global nursing education program.
Much Gratitude

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Bridges to Practice

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TEL AVIV, ISRAEL
Israel’s Cultural Diversity
Languages Spoken (Acculturation)
Israel-EGL Foundation Scholarship FNP Program Grant

Purposes of Program:

• To provide funding and academic support to fully educate 20 Israeli nurses to complete a USA Master of Science degree for advanced practice as Family Nurse Practitioners
• To offer Israeli nurses access to high quality clinical training and advanced practice nursing education using an USA education model
• To transform health care in Israel by introducing advanced practice nurses into the system

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Nurse Practitioners in Israel

- Why are Nurse Practitioners Needed in Israel?
- Current Status of NP’s
- Goal of Integration of NPs into the Israeli Healthcare System
The Partnership

Objective: Distance learning program
- Ministries of Education and Health approval
- Shared learning internationally and inter-culturally
- Partnership model
- Consultation and Collaboration
- Modeling an Israeli NP program process

Ultimate Outcome:
- Approval from the Ministries of Education & Health
- Sustaining the Model and Building a Workforce
The Planners/pre-partnership

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Current Status of Program

- Student Population
- Challenges to the Process of NP’s
- Identifying Cultural Differences Needs and Barriers
Student Support

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Many Successes!!!

• All of us are committed to making this work...
• “There is no problem that is so big that we can’t fix it”
Implications for Philanthropy

• Philanthropic efforts contribute to global expansion of advanced nursing practices.
• Selection of venues most likely to accept progress in practice is essential to best use of philanthropic resources.
• Philanthropic resources should be utilized to expand nursing scholarship and scholarly writing efforts on a faculty level, promoting global faculty professional development.
In closing...

- The EGL Charitable Trust gift to fully fund 20 Israeli RN's in Israel to complete a USA MSN program is the 1st step in transforming healthcare in Israel
- The Simmons-Meuhedet is a win-win for both partners and for Israeli nurses
- Our Israeli students are pioneers... having faith that FNP roles will become a reality for Meuhedet Health Services and for Israel
- This new partnership is strong with leadership on both sides of the ocean
- Israeli and U.S. students are friends, colleagues and are making global history!
- THANK YOU!!!!
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