The role of nurses in international and community development programs - my personal experience at World Health Organisation (WHO)

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Objectives

Share personal experience

- collaborative work between local, national and international support programs on health services
- personal and professional learnings
- insight on the contributions nurses can make outside traditional hospital settings
About me
  • About work - analyse and monitor health system performance to drive improvements in the delivery of quality and safe care

World Health Organisation (WHO)
  • Western Pacific Regional Office (WPRO)
  • The WHO Health Systems Framework

Projects
  • Health Information and Intelligence Platform (HIIP) and Country Health Information Profiles (CHIPS)
  • AcCESS for MNH (Himsog nga Malita)

Lessons learned – both professional and personal
About me
• WHO - brief background
• Regional offices

Source: http://www.who.int/about/regions/en/
COUNTRIES AND AREAS OF THE WHO WESTERN PACIFIC REGION

Source: http://hiip.wpro.who.int/portal/Countryprofiles.aspx
The WHO Health Systems Framework

Six building blocks comprise what is known as an overall health system’s architecture.
Health Information and Intelligence Platform (HIIP)

HIIP enables users to look at historical change of health-related indicators in all countries and areas of the Western Pacific Region. Data exploration, analysis, visualization and generation of analytical and information products can all be done with HIIP.

Users can tabulate data from multiple sources on a range of health indicators, compiling what they need for multiple countries and time periods. HIIP provides all elements of the metadata based on the WHO Indicator and Measurement Registry and allows users to adopt data standards and harmonize indicators.

Click on the HIIP toolboxes below to explore health indicators in the 37 countries and areas in the Western Pacific Region.

- **Generate tables**: Create data tables on single or multiple indicators, countries and years.
- **Create charts**: Visualize data in line graphs, scatter plots, bar, pie and diamond charts.
- **Render maps**: Plot indicators on a map to compare data across the region.
- **View predefined tables**: Browse data on predefined set of indicators by country and year.
- **Access subnational data**: Explore and visualize within country health disparities.
- **Access data by source**: Generate tables from datasets of the Regional Health Data Bank and other WHO databases.
Projects

AcCESS for MNH

Himsog nga Malita

Accelerating Convergence Efforts for Systems Strengthening for Maternal and Newborn Health in Davao Region
(Alma Ata Declaration of Primary Health Care)
Lessons learned

• Self-awareness

• Reflection

• Relationship building and stakeholder engagement
Our profession is an integral part of the health system building block.

Working at WHO developed:

• a greater understanding of the different roles that we play at local, national and international levels, and

• a better appreciation of the various opportunities for contribution that are available to our profession.