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Center for Nursing Excellence

Currently, much attention is paid to the sustainable development of the Center of Nursing Excellence (CNE). February 26, 2020, at Astana Medical University, a round table was held to discuss "Towards a Sustainable Center of Nursing Excellence." During the meeting, Heikki Malinen, Heikki Pusa (JAMK) shared their Finnish experience in the functioning of university consortia; participants discussed the legal and financial issues of the activities of the CNE.

On the photo from left: Heikki Malinen, Vice-rector, JAMK; Massimo Pignatelli, Vice-president for Medicine and Dean, NUSOM; Johanna Heikkilä, Senior Advisor, JAMK; Dainius Pavalkis, Rector, Astana Medical University; group photo of participants.

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Welcome Messages

Massimo Pignatelli

Welcome to our 3rd year of progress with the ProInCa project and as we celebrate the "International Year of the Nurse and Midwife." This year is significant as we move into the sustainability of the project, notably with the Center for Nursing Excellence (CNE). The highlights on this issue were from the continued efforts of Kazakhstani and European partners. First is the agreement and consortium of Kazakhstani stakeholders on CNE, followed by the continued development of evidence-based nursing, research webinars, joint research project, and the creation of a nursing leadership blog within CNE.

Johanna Heikkilä

Welcome to read the ProInCa News leading us towards the "International Year of the Nurse and Midwife" celebration in our final conference in October. The battle to tackle COVID-19 highlights nurses' vital contribution, as nurses are working all over the world in frontline. All nurses in clinical practice need more than ever the most recent scientific evidence on ways to protect themselves and patients from the spread of the disease. The Center of Nursing Excellence shows its possibilities to act as knowledge sharing network. Stay safe and healthy!



The meeting was attended by Kazakhstani partner universities and invited medical universities and colleges of Kazakhstan (Kazakh National Medical University, South Kazakhstan Medical Academy, etc.), the meeting was also attended by representatives of the Ministry of Health of the Republic of Kazakhstan, the Republican Center for Health Development, and the Association of Nurses of Kazakhstan "Paryz." The most important issue of the meeting was the resource support for the CNE activities and the conditions for its consortium management. Within the framework of the Round table, a Memorandum of Cooperation on the CNE development was signed by the Rector of Astana Medical University, Dainius Pavalkis, Vice-President of NU, Dean of the medical school, Massimo Pignatelli, Vice-rector for strategic development and international cooperation of Marat Ospanov West Kazakhstan Medical University Mr. Serik Bakhtiyar. The Memorandum was passed to Semey and Karaganda Medical Universities for further signing. Between April and May, it is planned to announce a tender for the design of the CNE platform, server rent, Russian-Kazakh translation of the information on the CNE website (nursekz.com).

Evidence- Based Nursing

The nursing profession is central to the development of health care services in medical organizations. Kazakhstan just started to make steps in evidence-based nursing practice, and to fulfill that demand for high-quality medical practice; the critical point is to increase the capacity of nursing professionals.

We are pleased to have you at the online workshop "Evidence-based nursing -recognized best practices implementation," which will take place from 21st to 23rd April 2020.

This is all in line with the enhanced capacity of the nursing department and shared understanding of evidence-based nursing education on the level of higher education by the Medical Universities, health care facilities, and policy.

Upcoming Event

ProInCa three-day workshop on "Adaptation of recognized best practices – good examples of EBP implementation"

Venue: Zoom

Date: April 21-23, 2020

Nursing Research

Online nursing research webinar- as part of the development of nursing, from the 30th of January, webinars started at the republican level, which will allow the exchanging of experience and best practices in the field of nursing methodology, which in the future will increase the potential and level of research in nursing. In addition to the teaching staff, master students of the "Nursing" specialty participate in this series of webinars.

The participants are researchers of joint research projects from medical universities in Kazakhstan, such as, Astana Medical University, Karaganda Medical University, Nazarbayev University School of Medicine, Semey Medical University, West Kazakhstan Medical University named after M. Ospanova.

The webinar is organized by the JAMK University of Applied Sciences and the Karaganda Medical University. The topics include, such as Databases for nursing studies, research design, data collection and analysis, reliability, and trustworthiness in nursing research.

Nursing Leadership

The first leadership blog text has been published in the Center for Nursing Excellence (CNE) both in English and Russian (<https://nursekz.com/blog-for-nursing-leadership/>). The leadership blog is meant for the chief and senior nurses, teachers, and nursing students to share their thoughts, ideas, and examples of best practice in management and leadership. The blog is a possibility to support the new advanced roles of nurses and, in that way, modernize nursing practice at the national level. Project partners have started blog writing, but we challenge the nurse leaders to take a chance for writing as well. Further information from West-Kazakhstan Medical University Dr. Gaziza Smagulova (smagaziza@gmail.com).

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