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ENSURING DIGNITY AND PROFESSIONALISM IN THE CARE OF MIGRANTS - A SHARED NURSING EXPERIENCE BETWEEN MALTA AND IRELAND

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Abstract Content: Global migration is phenomena experienced by nurses and health services. In particular some migrants and other cohorts of mobile populations are more vulnerable and susceptible to negative healthcare outcomes.

In recent years the politicisation of healthcare rights of asylum seekers in Europe has gained attention - mostly due to service delivery and costs. What is often over looked is the human stories behind many of the presenting healthcare scenarios. Nurses working specifically with this group can help analyse and inform nursing practice and health service delivery.

Based on research and work based experience two nurses share their learning and practice by comparing services to asylum seekers in Ireland and Malta. Their work is informed by transcultural nursing theory and cultural competence models of practice. This paper focuses on the contribution that nurses are making to national health policy and a human rights approach to care for vulnerable people in a highly politicised health care environment in Europe and Internationally.

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