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Global Perspectives on Nursing and Midwifery Workforce Development

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Nurses and midwives are the largest group of healthcare professionals worldwide and are continually engaged in driving forward changes to healthcare practice. Nurses and midwives provide more patient facing care than other healthcare professionals and, because of their proximity to patients, are able to rapidly adapt and respond to international public health challenges. The COVID-19 pandemic has illustrated nurses' and midwives' expertise and ability to work flexibly and adeptly in the face of mounting clinical challenges. This means that they are expertly positioned to contribute to, and shape, healthcare policy and practice through harnessing their knowledge, skills and practice to improve service delivery and care outcomes. The Special Issue aims to provide an updated picture of the current nursing and midwifery landscape in relation to building and sustaining the workforce and developing the profession. The influence and visibility of an evolving nursing and midwifery workforce are of paramount importance at a global level, with widespread effects on health and care services, organizational efficiency, staff wellbeing and patient care quality and safety outcomes.



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