Demand on Non-Medical Health Professions Training: Adaptation to New Challenges of the Aging Populations (letter)

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Abstract:

This current letter to the editor reflects on a series of papers published in Clinical Social Work Journal (1-3) or refugees and migrants health care during the new 2015 - 2018 crisis: The unpreparedness of most non-Doctor Health Care Workers solve health and social problems migrants and refugees due to the lack of language and education in migrant/refugee health and related topics. The Majority of V4 + Austria countries deal with but very few also teach socio-legal problems of children and mothers, reunifications of families, humanitarian deals, tropical diseases and other subjects which appeared from the praxis during these four years of migrant crisis in Greece/Italy, where 1.5million per year of immigrants and refugees escaped via Balkan or Mediterranean Route and potential V4 – citizens.

With the increasing proportion of elderly population, the need for Health Care Professionals is increasing as well. An International Conference in May 2018 was held in Bratislava to facilitate the East-West exchange and promotion of non-Medical Health Sciences and outcome of Health Care students. Serial discussions about e.g. Podiatric or Community Health are not included in the studies of university students in Central Europe at all. Despite the fact, that the critically ill population is rising, both in community and in long term facilities, making this problem emerging.

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Name of the teaching program for HCW	EU AT, DE, IT, FR, BE, NE	EU-V4 SK, PL, CR, HU	USA	WP Asia
Nursing	yes	yes	yes	yes
Physiotherapy	yes	yes	yes	yes
Medical Technology	yes	yes	yes	yes
Dental Technics	no	yes	yes	no
Podiatrics	no	no	yes	no
Public Health	yes	yes	yes	yes
Community Health	no	no	yes	no
Tropical Health	no	yes	no	no
Radiology	yes	yes	yes	no
Rescue/medical1st aid	yes	yes	yes	no

Table 1: Missing programs for HCW causing gaps in education