15th National Nursing Research Seminar: a political and scientific forum to debate: “Nursing, knowledge, care and citizenship” in Rio de Janeiro

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The National Nursing Research Seminar (NNRS) was created in 1979 and is held every two years and is in its 15th edition. Since the first edition, NNRS was constituted as a political forum to debate institutional political formulas for scientific and evidence-based care. It is also constituted in an important space for the dissemination of the knowledge produced by nursing and by health care professionals during their post graduate like Master and Doctoral programs. Most of these policies and strategies implemented in the health care field were planned based on research results and by the developments produced in NNRS forums.

In choosing Rio de Janeiro as the home for the 15th NNRS, the Brazilian Nursing Association reveals the recognition of Rio de Janeiro State’s potentiality as a center for the production of nursing knowledge in national context. Rio de Janeiro has four post-graduate programs approved by the Coordination for the Improvement of Superior Education. Four academic masters, one professional master, and one doctoral degree, as well as several programs in other areas that receive nurses as students.

Other important indicative of research social role produced by Nursing in Rio de Janeiro State is the number of research group directory in National Center for Research. 13.2% of national research groups are located in Rio de Janeiro State. The state is ranked in second.

Regarding the number of nursing students in national scenario, 14.5% of nursing students are admitted in nursing schools of Rio de Janeiro State, and the state is again ranked in second with 13,158 admissions. According to data from Medical-Sanitary Assistance Research, Rio de Janeiro contributes with 14% of registered nurses in national scenario.

With this spirit, Rio de Janeiro’s researchers are moved to create logistic, dialogic, and epistemological conditions to promote a debate and reflection for the Brazilian Nursing from June 8-11, when the NNRS will be held. During the NNRS the themes about production, dissemination, use, transfer, and translation of knowledge aiming the formulation of public health policies to solve health problems that affect the users of the National Health System and also Family Health Strategy will be approached.

Some presuppositions are fundamental to guide the reflections and debates. Nursing as a care and comfort science, as a safety and well-fare promoter of persons and collectivity depends on a scientific and structured knowledge. However, the emic and ethical character of this construction can not be lost. The emic character, regarding to the social and cultural constructed knowledge, is based on experience and meanings that is attributed to health and disease as inherent to life. The ethical character involves the transformation of the empirical experience and the reading of others perspectives and its context through scientific rigor and the structuring paths of method and approaches. The science in and for society implies that research results confer to a discipline the science status and to be consumed, transferred, translated to acquire a social life and citizenship expression.

Therefore, nursing professionals as science providers and consumers, apply research results in their preventive interventions, in health promotion, and in rehabilitation for people well-fare. Thus, the knowledge produced by Nursing is organic in generating different public health policies, health care, and nursing care. It is necessary to create promoting interchanging conditions, network formation, and research results diffusion, and those results should return to the citizen as a socio-cultural constructed practice. There is a need to make viable the consensus about these results in producing an impact on population health.

The theme “Nursing: knowledge, care, and citizenship” will be the center of the debate about production, consume, dissemination, translation, and transfer of knowledge in social life. Among several NNRS’ aims, two are highlighted: to provide an opportunity to debate the interfaces of knowledge, care, and citizenship as a benefit to human being and to analyze the social role in nursing research for the production of knowledge in the social sphere of health and in the formation of researchers.

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