

The 4th Jordanian Nursing Forum

“Towards a Safer Future: Enhancing Emergency & Disaster Preparedness for Effective Response”

Recommendations

Main Recommendations:

Educators, practitioners, policy makers, and researchers must act quickly to address gaps in nursing's disaster preparedness and improve its ability to advocate for population health during such crises.

Develop standards for emergency and disaster preparedness at the national level.

Ensure nurses are working at their full potential and extending their scope as needed in the pursuit of improving nursing care efficiency, quality and outcomes for patients

Ensure nurses are represented in policy and decision-making (national boards/committees) at all levels and stages

Develop and support a national priority research agenda on health emergency and disaster risk management, and support experimental research institutes (so that in the future we may have our own test kits and vaccines)

Enhance collaboration among all partners at all levels to respond to disaster & emergencies while dealing with health crises under the concept of ONE HEALTH (HUMAN, ANIMAL ,ENVIROMENT) as well as Social Determinants of Health

Specific recommendations for Education and Capacity Building to enhance and support the main recommendations:

- ✓ Integration of ICN competencies for emergency and disaster preparedness throughout health curricula and training programs (under- graduate & post graduate programs, all CPD and capacity building programs)
- ✓ Revisit the accreditation standards for higher education program for nursing and other health schools to include mandatory integration of emergency and disaster competencies.
- ✓ Enhance interprofessional education and training in disaster and emergency preparedness at the academic and service sectors

- ✓ Support Capacity building programs for multi-disciplinary teams , including using innovative approaches such as virtual learning & simulation.
- ✓ Develop and enforce specialization in disaster & emergency preparedness