Expanded Education in Rescue in Physiotherapy and Nursing in V4 – Adaptation for Refugee Crisis (Letter)

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Abstract:
Current letter to the editor reflects on a series of papers published in Clinical Social Work Journal (1-3) on refugee’s and migrant’s health care during the new 2015-2018 crisis. The unpreparedness of most
Several papers have been published concerning the new roles of Health Care Workers in the Migrant and Refugee crisis, including in the Clinical Social Work and Health Intervention (1-3). As seen in those papers, the role of other-than-doctor (OTD) Health Care Workers (HCW) is a part of the work of essential Physicians and Nurses among arrived migrants. Refugees, Physiotherapists in rehabilitation of post war victims; midwifery in deliveries of migrant mothers in the field; rescuers in acute cases of those escaping their houses and traveling via the Mediterranean Route with the risk of life-threatening events on the sea (drowning) and crossing borders (asthma, diabetes).

Table 1 shows all the new challenges they have to face (HCW OTD-HCW) due the new situation after 2015 refugee crisis.

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