SRAN Swiss Research Agenda
2007-2017: Development

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Background

• Up to 2005 in Switzerland:
  • establishment of academic level nursing
    • some programs of Masters in Nursing Science
  • disparate community
    • disparate nursing research
  • little visibility of nursing science
  • limited manpower and resources

Project SRAN 1 2005-2007 (Imhof, 2006)
Aims of the SRAN

• Orientating nursing research in Switzerland
• Avoiding duplication
• Promoting networking among in the scientific community
• Promoting visibility of nursing science and research in Switzerland
Preliminary Clarifications

- Limitation of themes and application of a future SRAN?
Preliminary Clarifications (cont.)

- What should be the degree of operationalisation?
Methods

• Three phases:
  • Identification of research priorities
    • Project structure
    • Analysis of existing research agendas in nursing
  • Comprehensive literature review about various domains in nursing and priority setting by select expert groups
  • National consultation among nurses, healthcare institutions, and organisations in nursing
  • National consensus conference (Imhof et al., 2008)
1. Identification of Research Priorities

- A team with 7 experts from defined nursing domains was constituted:
  - Gerontological nursing
  - Cardiovascular nursing
  - Oncology nursing
  - Psychiatric nursing
  - Pediatric nursing
  - Women’s health
  - Patient safety
- An advisory panel accompanied the experts (Imhof, et al. 2008)
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- Analysis of existing research agendas in nursing
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2. National Consultation

Identify priorities → Develop agenda → Hearings, Consultations

Potential Themes

202 articles

Rating by the academic societies

Advisory Panel

Symposium of experts
3. National Consensus Conference

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National online survey

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National conference
Research Agenda

Methodological Priorities
- Collaboration with patients and families
- Coordination
- Interdisciplinarity
- Mixed methods

Transversal Priorities
- Gender and culture
- Patient safety
- Theory based
Research Priorities

- Effects of nursing interventions
- Adaptation of services in changing healthcare systems
- Identification of phenomena relevant for nursing
- Influence of work environments on quality of nursing care
- Functioning of family systems and social networks
- Integration of various individual ways of life
- Implementation of ethical principles in nursing
Transversal Aspects in Masters’ Theses

- Theoretical frame of reference
  - Can only be determined when exploring each thesis
- Gender and culture
  - Some
- Collaboration with patients and family caregivers
  - Quite a few
- Patient safety
  - A few

- Research methods
  - Quantitative
  - Qualitative
  - Mixed methods
- Coordination
  - Increasing
- Interdisciplinarity
  - Can only be determined when exploring each thesis
## Research Priorities in Masters’ Theses

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Conclusion

- SRAN 1 provides a basis for the development of an action plan to promote nursing research in Switzerland

SRAN 2

- The SRAN permits us to:
  - identify research areas that are well developed.
  - identify within the three main orientations new research areas that are to be developed.
  - help us focus on other important aspects such as ethical principles to be implemented in nursing research, the inclusion of patients and families as research partners as well as other collaborative aspects.
THANK YOU

- Questions?

- Further information:
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