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PAHO/WHO Collaborating Centre for Nursing and Midwifery Leadership

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How this Collaborating Centre is contributing to the achievement of the SDGs

- We have been working with partners in PAHO's Nicaragua offices, along with members of Nicaragua's Ministry of Health and leaders in nursing education to increase workforce capacity to improve maternal health. This work is in the spirit of SDGs #3, 4, 8, and 17
- We hosted a 2-day symposium to share strategies and innovations in PhD education, including institutions from throughout the PAHO region. A related publication, "Invitational summit: Re-envisioning research focused PHD programs of the future" was published in "Journal of Professional Nursing" Jan-Feb 2021. This work is in the spirit of SDGs # 4 and 17



Deliverables

- Webinar for the National School of Nursing and Obstetrics of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM): Leadership Conference In Nursing For What And For Whom?/Escuela Nacional de Enfermería y Obstetricia de la UNAM: Conferencia "Liderazgo en Enfermería ¿Para qué?" - January 8, 2021
- Provided workshops using virtual platforms in identified areas including: research agenda development, research project development, interdisciplinary research team development, IRB protocol development, research funding opportunity assessment, manuscript preparation, publication ethics; outcome research, physical activity research, elder care/dementia, behavioral economics, nutrition, use of technology; WHO priorities included: communicable diseases (HIV and vaccine preventable diseases); non-communicable diseases (mental health, violence and injuries, nutrition) health through the life course (all areas) health systems]

[PAHO/WHO Webinar Series: Building Research Excellence in Latin America and the Caribbean](#) | [Serie de seminario web de OPS/OMS: Construyendo Excelencia en Investigación en América Latina y el Caribe](#)

"Developing a Program of Research" / "Desarrollando un programa de investigación"



Developing a Program of Research: Part 1 / Desarrollando un programa de investigación: Parte 1: [Video](#) | [Slides](#) | [Diapositivas](#)

Developing a Program of Research: Part 2 / Desarrollando un programa de investigación: Parte 2: [Video](#) | [Slides](#) | [Diapositivas](#)

"Developing Programs of Research to Address WHO and National Priorities" / "Desarrollo de Programas de Investigación para Abordar la OMS y las Prioridades Nacionales"

Recommendations

- Utilize** virtual platforms to provide technical assistance and dialogue in areas of identified need, in cooperation with PAHO
- Develop** nursing leadership for the important contributions nurse leaders make to health care delivery systems, research, and public health policy
- Strengthen** nursing research capacity focused on safe and equitable care with positive outcomes
- Support** increases in nursing care capacity and quality through best practices in curriculum, testing, registration, licensing, and continuing education
- Ensure** that in all efforts, the values of equity, integrity, fairness, and respectful care for all, regardless of socioeconomic status, race, or gender identity are promoted.

Terms of Reference

- Collaborate to promote maternal health and reduce maternal mortality in the Region
- Collaborate with PAHO/WHO to develop leadership in nursing education
- Collaborate with PAHO/WHO to develop leadership in nursing research