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Globalization and its Reflections for Health and Nursing

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This article brings into focus the effects of globalization on nursing from a historical perspective. Through looking at the positive and negative effects of globalization, the purpose here is to offer a wider view of the effects of globalization in terms of equal access to qualified health services and to propose some guidelines for reaching rational solutions. Nurses constitute a large part of the health workforce. Their significant share in patient care is unquestionable. For a higher quality, reliable, patient-oriented, and accessible healthcare system, the role of the healthcare professionals, including nurses, needs to be comprehensively reevaluated. Analysis of both positive and negative effects of globalization on health from a multidimensional perspective is essential to developing rational and inventive solutions for equal and qualified health services.

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