Overview

The human resources for health (HRH) programme was established to assist the development of a professional HRH network. A HRH observatory has been developed designed to improve the policies and strategies of human resources in Jordan's health system. This includes an assessment and review of policy briefs, management structures and health care professional production.

The HRH programme also builds the capacity of nurses through regular training sessions. This training includes: emergency health care, mental health, midwifery, leadership skills among others. The training sessions implemented by HRH are specifically designed to improve the quality and professionalism of Jordan's health care system.

In 2010, Jordan University of Science and Technology became a WHO Collaborating Centre for Nursing. The nursing centre then, in turn, developed an emergency and mental health diploma certificate. This certificate allowed trainee and practising nurses to access relevant information and resources. Similarly, the Jordan Nursing Council has introduced a programme on 'Leadership for Change' – an ongoing programme based on local expertise and resources.

The Ministry of Health, in collaboration with WHO, has also established a 'community medicine certificate programme'. This was created to give interested medical professional specific skills in public health, nutrition and other communication-based health issues, more than 20 medical doctors graduate annually with a diploma in community medicine to serve the Ministry of Health.

The HRH programme has also introduced the medical schools accreditation programme. This scheme was created to allow heath care training and teaching facilities to gain international recognition for their work. Currently, WHO has accredited five medical schools in Jordan.

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