



Communiqué

Second Meeting of the Council, Migrant and Refugee Health Partnership

27 November 2019

The Council of the Migrant and Refugee Health Partnership held its second meeting in Canberra on 27 November 2019.

The meeting was held in conjunction with a Roundtable on Education to implement culturally responsive clinical care, facilitated by the Monash Centre for Health Research and Implementation. The Roundtable gathered with additional stakeholders from nursing education and standard-setting bodies to consult on education requirements for the Partnership's development of practical resources to facilitate culturally responsive care, including among nurses work with ageing people from migrant and refugee backgrounds in health care and aged care.

The meeting was structured to:

- Engage with policymakers and forward the Partnership's agenda to advocate and facilitate improved health access, outcomes and experiences for people from migrant and refugee backgrounds
- Review the Partnership's achievements to date
- Seek consultation from a broad array of clinical and community professionals on the priority areas for the development of practical education resources for improving the delivery of culturally responsive clinical care

Members highlighted several priority areas for future consideration, including aged care; communication and interpretation; data collection; and health access, especially for temporary and undocumented migrants.

The Roundtable consultation emphasised the need for a set of multidisciplinary education modules to facilitate cultural responsiveness in clinical education, curriculum, professional development and standard setting.

Following the productive Roundtable insights, the Partnership will continue engagement with the Monash Centre for Health Research and Implementation to begin content development for the proposed education resource, including a dedicated set of modules tailored to nurses caring for older migrants and refugees in health care and aged care contexts.

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