



Nurses: a Voice to lead - International Nurses Day, 2018



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According to the International Council of Nurses (ICN) the theme of the 2018 International Nurses Day, on 12th May is: **"Health is a Human Right"**. With this strong thematic, ICN would like to alert that not everybody has access to health and want to demonstrate that Nurses have a predominant role to ensure Universal Health Coverage.

This date is celebrated in the year of the launch of the Nursing Now Campaign by the World Health Organization and the Duchess of Cambridge, Kate Middleton in February. *Nursing Now* is a project of 3 year whose objective is to raise the profile of Nurse and Midwives in the World.

More information:

<https://news.un.org/pt/story/2018/02/1612312>



Kate Middleton during the launch of the *Nursing Now* campaign. Foto: NursingNow/WHO

Nursing encompasses autonomous and collaborative care of individuals of **all ages**, families, groups and **communities, sick or well** and in **all settings**. It includes the **promotion** of health, the **prevention** of illness, and the care **of ill, disabled and dying** people

Key Facts:

- The Nurses and Midwives density ratio in Mozambique is about 0.5 p. 1.000 population, while WHO recommends 3 p. 1.000 pop. to reach Universal Health Coverage.
- Nurses and Midwives totalize 13,781 professionals representing close to half of health workers (46.6%) of the National Health Service.
- Skill mix ratio: There are 6 Nurses and Midwives for 1 physician.
- Nurses and Midwives represent 61% of female health workforce. These occupations represent employment opportunities and women empowerment.

INVESTING IN NURSES AND MIDWIVES WILL RESULT IN A TRIPLE RETURN OF IMPROVED HEALTH OUTCOMES, GLOBAL HEALTH SECURITY, AND INCLUSIVE ECONOMIC GROWTH.

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