

## Editorial

### *From Editor's Pen.....*

It gives me great pleasure to write first editorial note for Indian journal of nursing. The purpose of bringing this journal is to publish work that contributes to the development of nursing knowledge base, and creates a forum for sharing research, practice, education and aesthetic works, both for nurse educators and practitioners.

Today I find it encouraging that more and more students are choosing nursing as their cherished career. Nursing profession is no doubt enabling significant number of Indian women to be empowered, educationally as well as financially. At the same time I think nursing seems to be facing more changes and challenges than ever before.

Nurses are often praised for their strength in helping other people. Needed now is the courage of truth to help themselves. Nurses must be for nursing, supporting its advances in every conceivable manner. If they do this, they will uphold the right of the sick and troubled in mind to be regarded as members of the human race; they will uphold the dignity of their patients, and their own nursing profession.

I strongly feel that we must stop reinforcing divisions between education and practice, between graduate and diploma nurses, between individual nurses and organizations, between specialties considered higher and lower status. It's time to work together to respond effectively and creatively to the challenges of care. The vision that many nurse leaders and educators hold dear to their heart is one where patients are treated with dignity and respect at all times, where systems are designed for the benefits of individual needs, and where the work is performed by the nurses is valued and respected. And I feel without evidence based practice, this is not going to be possible. Nurses need to keep themselves up to date with recent advancement in health science technology and research findings. I assure the readers that this journal will contribute towards the same. Any suggestions to make this journal better is welcomed.



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