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Abstract Content: Purpose: A two week field-based short course for nurse leaders from the US and Malawi to enhance skills in resource limited settings with a high disease burden. Participants are experienced nurses with management responsibilities who desire further training in leadership.

Description: Developed collaboratively by nurses at UCSF and partners in Malawi, the course is implemented in Malawi for 20 participants (8 US/12 Malawi), selected by a planning team from each country. The foundation of this course is social justice, professional development, and leadership skills.

Objectives: 1) To create a community of nurses focused on equity in work and patient relationships; 2) To build leadership skills that improve nursing care quality in under-resourced settings in the US and Malawi; 3) To develop methods that promote inter-professionalism, especially with physicians; and, 4) To construct innovative teaching methods including case studies and simulation.

Curriculum Components

1. Human rights and social justice approach to address UN Sustainable Development Goals 2, 3, 5 10, 16
2. Leadership development
3. Social determinants of health
4. Professional development, e.g. PowerPoint, abstract writing, conference participation, literature searches
5. Workplace skill building, e.g. conducting performance reviews, advancement and recognition, conducting quality improvement programs
6. Advanced clinical skill building, e.g. midwifery, pediatrics, HIV

Outcomes: Ongoing mentoring through video and e-mail will be used to reinforce content. Evaluation of outcomes will be measured by participant retention and mobility within own system; requests from the Ministry of Health to continue the course; and expansion of the course into other countries.

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In case my abstract is not accepted for oral presentation it should still be considered for POSTER PRESENTATION: Yes

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