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you can be**

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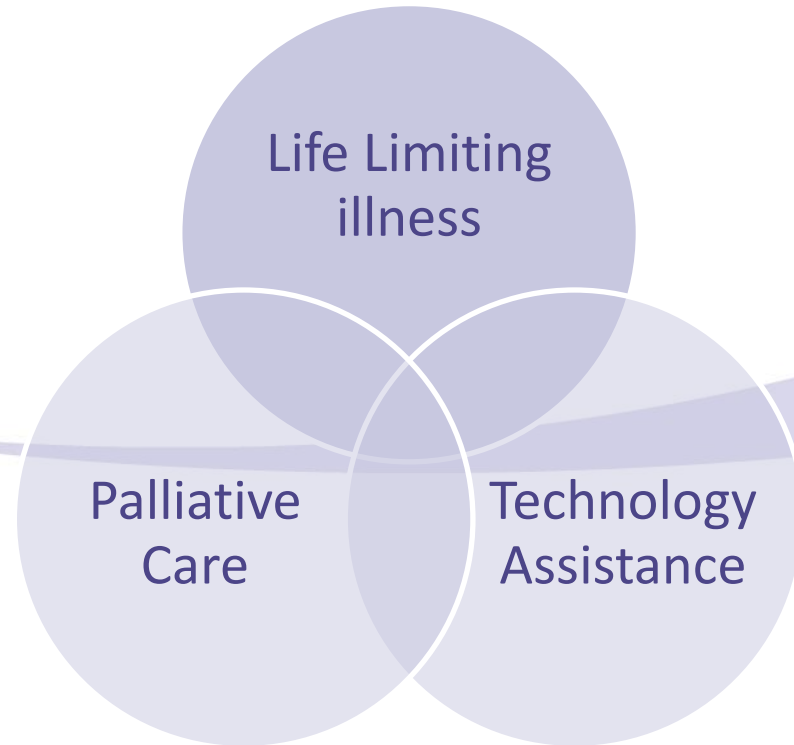
1. Identify at least one way to recognize opportunities that can benefit you and the patients that you work with
2. Reflect and generate thoughts related to your individual career progression and divergence



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Complex Healthcare needs



Objectives

To explore nurses' knowledge in enteral feeding

To explore nurses' knowledge in tracheostomy care

To identify challenges nurses' encounter caring for children who are technology dependent

Sampling

- Population 100
 - Convenience sampling
 - $n = 100$
 - Response 67%
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- Ethical approval was granted by Cork Clinical Research Ethics Committee (May 2017)

Methodology

- Sequential mixed method approach
1. Self administered questionnaire
 - Demographic section
 - 5 questions of knowledge on tracheostomy care
 - 5 questions of knowledge on enteral feeding
 - 10 free test questions on challenges identified through the literature review

Methodology

2. Focus groups

- Based on answers from free text questions in the questionnaire
- Self selected
- 3 focus groups (n = 13)
- Held in informal venues
- Note taker / concept maps

'I think bridging the gap between us (ACC nurses)... tertiary centre and the family is needed' (P5)

'No one to run things by' (P1)

'I think we just need to show them (families) that we care. Show them empathy for the situation that they are in' (P10)

'No one to share your successes with' (P3)

'We need to trust them (parents), and they need to trust us...it's a two-way thing' (P6)

'my concern is, who protects us?' P7

'We do get invested in the family and their lives, but you can still maintain that professionalism' (P12)

Recommendation

- National Conference
- Greater emphasis on the team – workplace, support
- Role of Clinical Practice Specialist
- Education & training
- NMBI accredited training
- Placements for student nurses
- Schwartz Rounds
- Policies & guidelines

RNT

- Teaching / training / education
- Work with NMBI
- Work with Universities (student placements & lectures)
- Shadow shifts

Specialist

- Supporting NM with complex cases
- Visiting families as required with NM's to help improve service provision

Practice Development

- Develop PPG's
- Chair of the Q&S committee
- Conferences

‘Small keys can open big doors’



~Jack Kavanagh 2022



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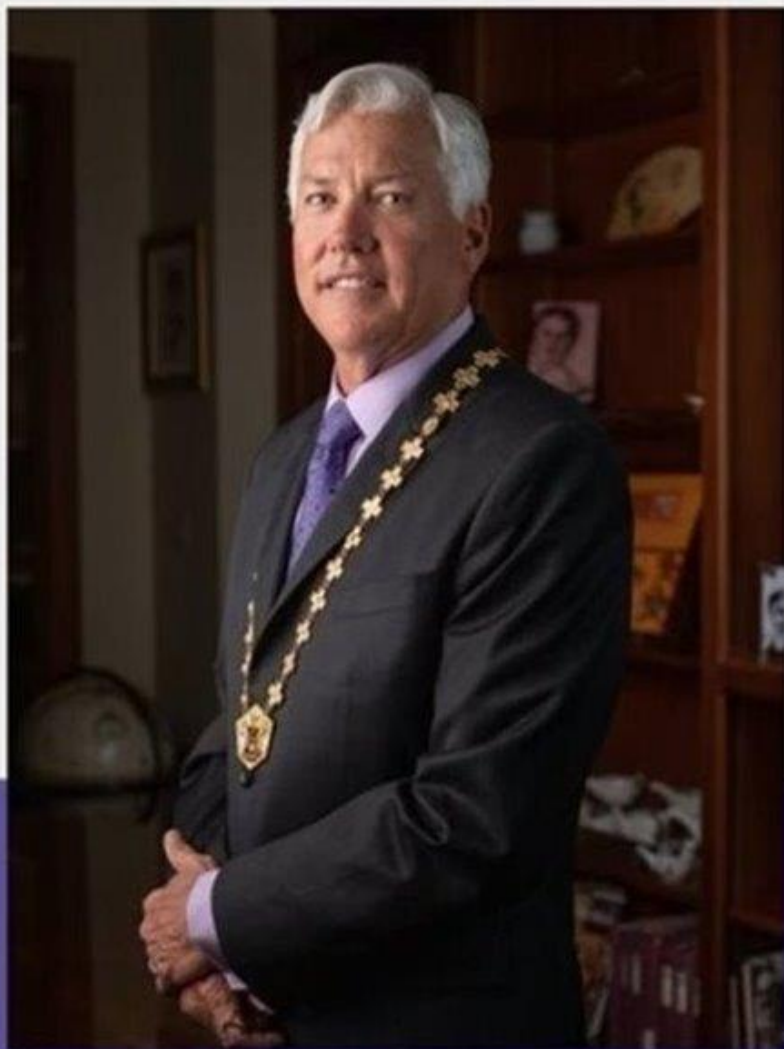
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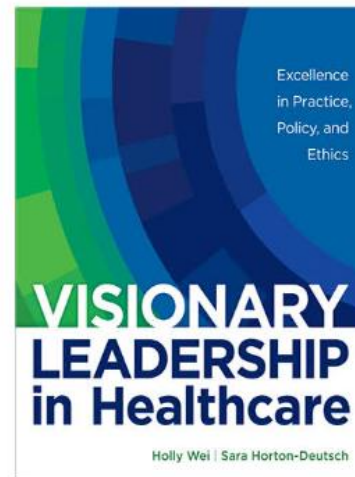
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