



Cyprus University of Technology  
School of Health Sciences  
Department of Nursing

Scientific meeting and workshop: 16<sup>th</sup> January 2009  
The Concept of Care in Nursing

**Part I: Care Giving Behaviours as Perceived by Patients and Nurses: A Comparative International Study**

**Place of venue:** Elias beach hotel, Limassol, Cyprus

**Researcher in charge:**

Evridiki Papastavrou, Lecturer, Department of Nursing, School of Health Sciences, Cyprus University of Technology.

**Goals of the meeting:**

- To organize a research network in the field of nursing care and related concepts.
- To prepare a well structured international project
- To discuss the practicalities of the study

**Participating Researchers from 5 countries:**

**Chair:** Helena Leino-Kilpi, Professor and Chair, PhD, RN, University of Turku, Department of Nursing Science

**Greece:** Elisabeth Patiraki Associate Professor, Department of Nursing, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

Chrysoula Karlou, Major nurse in Air Force, MSc PhD candidate. Department of Nursing, National and Kapodistrian University of Athens.

**Finland:** Riitta Suhonen PhD, Adjunct professor, RN, University of Turku, Department of Nursing Science, Turku, Finland,

**United Kingdom:** Colin Torrance, Professor in Health Professional Education, University of Glamorgan, Wales

**Hungary:** Zoltan Balogh, Senior Lecturer, Faculty of Health Sciences, University of Semmelweis, Hungary.

**Italy:** Marco Tomietto, University of Udine

**Organizing body:**

The Department of Nursing of the Cyprus University of Technology

**Participants from Cyprus:**

Evridiki Papastavrou, Lecturer, Department of Nursing, School of Health Sciences, Cyprus University of Technology.

Anastasios Merkouris, Associate Professor, Department of Nursing, School of Health Sciences, Cyprus University of Technology.

Georgios Efstathiou, Research Fellow and Doctoral Student, Department of Nursing, School of Health Sciences, Cyprus University of Technology,

Haritini Tsangari, Associate Professor, statistician.

Elena Kleanthous (observer) Doctoral Student, Department of Nursing, School of Health Sciences, Cyprus University of Technology.

Andreas Charalambous (observer) Research Fellow, Department of Nursing, School of Health Sciences, Cyprus University of Technology.

**THE CONCEPT OF CAREGIVING PROJECT**  
**16<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2009, CYPRUS**  
**PROGRAMME**

**(Will be chaired by Professor Helena Leino-Kilpi, University of Turku)**

**Place of venue:** Elias beach hotel, Limassol, Cyprus

**Time: 9 am- 5 pm**

**Session A** 9am – 11 am

The aim of this session is to introduce the participants to the project and to the work done already. It also aims to meet the partners and each country's profile and contribution to the project:

- Introduction of the participants
- The goals of the meeting and the purpose of the study including a brief literature review (E. Papastavrou).
- Presentation of the instruments that will be used in the study (G. Efstathiou).
- Presentation of each country's contribution (situation in home country, the ethical approval procedure and the instrument translation procedure).

The instruments for collecting the data:

- Presentation of the validity and reliability of the translated Greek version of the Caring Behaviour Inventory (E. Papastavrou).
- Translation issues and discussion (questions, items, coding and order to be the same in each participating country).
- Related issues for discussion.

Coffee break 11-11:30 am

**Session B:** 11:30 am- 1:30 pm

The aim of this session is to discuss and decide on the samples and the data collection procedures, according to a suggested plan.

The sample:

- The size of the sample in comparative studies (Presentation, Haritini Tsangari)
- Sample selection criteria based on the background information (information to be given prior to the meeting).
- Discussion on sampling

Data collection procedure: the aim is to reach to a consensus and agreement as regards the data collection protocol that will be given at the meeting.

- Presentation of the data collection protocol and discussion
- Introductory letter accompanying the questionnaire
- Pilot study (time plan, persons responsible to collect data, how and when will data be sent for analysis)
- When will main data be collected
- Data coding, international data analysis, what each country does with national data.
- Related issues for discussion

Light lunch 1:30 pm – 3 pm

**Session C:** 3 pm – 5 pm

The aim of this session is to decide on a common framework according to each country's special characteristics regarding the ethical considerations.

Ethical approval, permission to collect data from each hospital, time considerations

- Participants information and consent
- Cooperation with hospital administration and ward senior nurse officers

Publication plan: The aim is to discuss the plan that is proposed in the protocol

- International and national papers (responsible partners and national teams).
- Related issues for discussion

Final discussion on practical issues and suggestions

Dinner at a traditional Cyprus tavern 8 pm