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Research Topic Title:	Postpartum depression, postpartum post-traumatic stress disorder and postpartum anxiety in Cyprus: prevalence and associated factors	
No. of Openings:		1
Description:	<p>Aim: To investigate the prevalence of postpartum depression, childbirth-related post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD), postpartum anxiety and to determine associate factors in Cyprus.</p> <p>Methodology: Mixed-methods design. Sample will consist of women who have given birth in Cyprus.</p> <p>Expected outcomes: To address the need for psychological support among mothers in Cyprus, where perinatal mental health conditions often go undiagnosed or untreated due to a lack of systematic screening and harmful societal attitudes that stigmatized devalue the mother's with perinatal mental health. The findings will offer critical insights for policymakers, paving the way for integrating perinatal mental health support into mainstream healthcare, reducing stigma, and ensuring that all women, especially those from disadvantaged groups, receive the dignified care they deserve.</p>	
Funding:	<p>"Mind the Mum: Investigating Maternal Mental Health in Cyprus"</p> <p>EU4Health</p>	
Required Qualifications:	<p>Candidates must hold a recognized University Degree in Health Sciences and a Master's Degree. Excellent knowledge of English and very good knowledge of research methodology, statistics and qualitative data processing are required. Participation of the candidate in relevant research projects and scientific publications will be considered as additional qualifications. Research experience in conducting research independently will be taken into account</p>	
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Research Topic Title:		An investigation of the use of telepresence robots in clinical practice in Cyprus.
No. of Openings:	1	
Description:	<p>Telepresence technology is a form of remote communication that allows professionals in various sectors to reach and interact with their associates remotely. Typical examples include, but not limited to, their use in educational settings at all levels where students staying at home for any reason may interact with their teachers and their fellow peers in the live classroom in real-time.</p> <p>Recently the use of telepresence technology is finding its way in healthcare environments whereby healthcare professionals communicate with their patients treated at various locations.</p> <p>The above scenarios are made possible with the use of telepresence robots equipped with additional high-tech equipment such as cameras, microphones, sensors, tablets, wearables and other advanced features that enable remote communication.</p> <p>This research proposal aims to investigate the use of telepresence robots in healthcare settings in Cyprus through numerous different scenarios and their effect on the patients' overall well being during the whole process from diagnosis to rehabilitation.</p>	
Funding:	Currently not available.	
Required Qualifications:	<p>Candidates must be holders of a recognized university degree in Nursing or Informatics of Health Informatics or Electrical Engineering or other related subject and a postgraduate degree at an MSc level in any of the above fields</p> <p>Experience in the clinical area and/or in the use of robots and/or telepresence robots/technology will be considered as an advantage.</p> <p>Very good knowledge of English language and proficiency in the use of software applications (Microsoft Office, statistical software such as SPSS or PSPP) are essential. Previous research experience and the use of bibliography management applications will also be considered an advantage.</p>	
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Research Topic Title:	Enhancing patient safety in ICU and Emergency Departments, during hospitalization and/or after discharge	
No. of Openings:		2 (two)
Description:	<p>Intensive Care Units (ICUs) and Emergency Departments (EDs) play a crucial role in providing care for patients with severe and life-threatening conditions. Ensuring patient safety, both during their stay in these settings and after their discharge from the hospital, is essential.</p> <p>Enhancing safety relies on evidence-based practices, advanced monitoring technologies, and effective interdisciplinary collaboration. The role of nursing care is critical, as nurses detect changes in patient conditions, implement protocols, and educate staff, patients, and families, thereby contributing to the enhancement of patient safety. Improving safety in ICUs and EDs can lead to better patient outcomes, reduced healthcare costs, and overall improvements in the quality of care. The research will focus on developing and implementing strategies to improve safety during hospitalization and/or after discharge from the hospital.</p>	
Funding:	None	
Required Qualifications:	<p>Bachelor's degree in Nursing</p> <p>Master's level postgraduate degree</p> <p>A minimum of five (5) years of work experience in an ICU or ED</p> <p>Excellent command of Greek and English</p> <p>Previous research experience and publications in peer-reviewed journals will be considered an additional asset</p>	
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