DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH – NURSING SERVICES DIRECTORATE

Structure

The staff at the Directorate Nursing Services consists of the Director Nursing Services, three staff nurses and one midwife. The DNS has a principal to assist with office operations.

Function

The mission statement for the directorate is:

*To promote excellence in all aspects of nursing and midwifery services through the leading, support and coordination of such services in Malta and Gozo.*

Responsibilities

- To engage in the development of nursing and midwifery services in the Primary and Community, Secondary and Tertiary Health Care settings

- To set benchmarks for quality nursing and midwifery services in conjunction with the relevant stakeholders as part of the health care licensing, credentialing and regulatory mechanisms

- To engage in local and international nursing research and projects in relation to the development of quality initiatives for nursing and midwifery services in Malta

- To develop the international profile of nursing and/or nursing services in Malta as part of an overall commitment to the improvement of health care delivery

- To support the development of the national nursing and midwifery education and training to reflect recent advances in health science and evidenced – based practice being an integral part of the process of quality health care delivery

General Description of the Categories of Documents Held

- Databases
- Standard Operation Procedures
- Policy Documents
- Annual Reports
- Job Descriptions

Description of all manuals and similar types of documents which contain policies, principles or rules or guidelines in accordance with which decisions or recommendations are made in respect of members of the public:

- Rules of Procedure
Addressing requests in terms of the Freedom of Information Act

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