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Nursing students' perception regarding health promotion and health education

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Abstract

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Promoting health is a key component of nursing practice- By helping nurses change individuals, society and healthcare system by promoting the health of individuals, families, communities and populations. The aim of the study was to show the understanding of nursing student's perception regarding health education and health promotion. Cross sectional study design was carried out in Lahore School of Nursing, the University of Lahore for 4 months from September 2019 to December 2019. This study was done on 135 nursing students selected through convenient sampling method from Lahore School of Nursing, the University of Lahore. Data was collected by modified questionnaire adopted from (Halcomb, 2010) to understand the perception of nursing students regarding health promotion and health education. This study finds out that 90% n=122 participants have positive perception regarding health promotion and health education. Although there were some signs that nursing students were introduced to the concept of health promotion as a socio-ecological strategy that integrates changes in the economy, policy, organization and climate. This socio-ecological approach was not viewed by the majority of student nurses as having a role modeling faculty or nurses. Students nurses to be recognized as future high quality health promoters, collaborates with wellbeing advancement leaders, and effectively teach nursing education. There is a need to made changes in the nursing curriculum to reflect appropriate and accurate health promotion concepts and performed health promoting behaviors which have strong impact on individual health.

Keywords: Health education, Health promotion, Nursing student, Perception

INTRODUCTION

Promoting health "is defined as any arranged combination of education, political, natural, disciplinary, or organizational implements that encourage lifestyle and living environment and that influence people, groups and communities" (Hosseinpoor et al., 2015).

Health education is an event aimed at informing people about the essence of health/disease and the risks associated with the individual's lifestyle behaviors and actions. Health education seeks to accelerate the process of behavior change by directly influencing an

individual's values, beliefs, and attitudes, where the individual is believed to be particularly at risk or to have a disease, illness or disability (Gilbert et al., 2014).

Promoting health is a key component of nursing practice-By helping nurses change individuals, our society and our healthcare system by promoting the health of individuals, families, communities and populations. When looking closely at different definitions of nursing, it will be interesting to see how often health promotion activities are highlighted as being a central

nursing role (Creamer and Austin, 2017).

The words promoting and education health have been misused in the nursing literature and in practice. Health education and health promotion are, in fact, separate activities. The concept of wellbeing advancement, which centers on social and natural determinants and partner participation in health, includes the narrow view of health education (Woods et al., 2016).

Health education is characterized as "techniques that raise the awareness of an individual, which enables the individual to have a specialized knowledge of health that enables him or her to make a specific health decision" (Edelman et al., 2017).

Nursing research in Pakistan has distinguished a need to understand the promotion of health among nursing undergraduates who have completing the nursing program on a standardized educational modules, which is accepted as health caregivers in Pakistan can also lead to misguided judgments about health promotion. The health promotion recognized in this study describes advancement well-being and nurses in Pakistan are referred specific health practitioners (Jafree et al., 2015).

Some research suggested that many nurses did not treat the person individually and could not engage in health promotion programs as a result. This may be due to the lack of knowledge of how health in Pakistan can be promoted (Bakhshialiabad et al., 2015).

It is the responsibility of nurses' educators to spread nursing knowledge. The future undergraduate nursing students will be impacted by standardized nursing education systems as well as individuals working in the workplace, healthcare staff, peers and media, emotions and beliefs (Patterson et al., 2017). Nursing educators need to have an understanding of wellbeing, wellbeing advancement, and wellbeing instruction in order to be part of nursing, not just illness and disease prevention (Bastable, 2017).

It is the responsibility of health professionals to improve health at the person, community and economic levels. Nurses have the opportunity to contribute to the field of wellbeing development and health education as the biggest group of healthcare experts. Health promotion and health education is based on global architecture. Wherever they are organized and experienced, they want to establish a common principle between healthcare professionals and their setting. To date, most nursing education focuses on the European or North American context in this area (Whitehead et al., 2015). This study presents a unique perspective of nursing students about health promotion and health education in Pakistan.

Problem Statement

United States, the United Kingdom, Canada, New Zealand and many other countries on perception about

health promotion and health education; In Pakistan, there is little work in terms of advancing wellbeing and understanding wellbeing instruction in nursing students. Both the policies and practices of health education and health promotion were ignored in a country like Pakistan, in which communication costs one of the lowest per capita expenditure on health and the death rate due to communicable diseases is high, measures for prevention and health promotion practices are important in reducing the burden of diseases (Qidwai, 2016).

Today's nursing students are not only limited in terms of health promotion in the clinical setting, but also in terms of health education. This may be due to the lack of knowledge of how health in Pakistan can be promoted. The problem of the study focuses on perception of health promotion and health education among nursing students of Lahore School of Nursing?

Research Question

The study was guided by the following research questions:

- 1. How do nursing students define health?
- 2. Can nursing students explain the difference between health education and health promotion?
- 3. What have nursing students been exposed to within their curriculum regarding health promotion?
- 4. What health promoting behaviors is nursing faculty role modelings as perceived by nursing students?
- 5. What is the role of the nurse in implementing health promotion as perceived by nursing students?

Significance of the Study

Health education and health promotion is an important topic because health promotion improves quality of life for all people and health education provides information about physical, mental, social and spiritual health. The main focus of this study is primarily based on nursing students. Current study will create an insight of nursing students' perception about health promotion and health education as it is an important role of nurse. The finding of this study would facilitate students to have an understanding about role of nurse in health promotion. This study will open the door for other researcher to conduct study on evaluation of nursing students' perception about role of nurse in health promotion and how the concept of health promotion is presented in nursing curriculum.

Literature Search

It is important to understand various definitions of health because these are the definitions which really direct nursing education and consequently nursing practice. A study findings shows that health definitions not only shape nursing education, but also influence the significance of health promotion (Davis and Chapa, 2015).

A study conducted by (Huang et al., 2015) revealed that concept of health is truly relative and it is the result of an interesting evolution of the disease concept. However, human health also has to do with the environment in which they live and with their ability to adapt and integrate, particularly in the context of their lives (Maier et al., 2014).

A study conducted by (Piper, 2015) that focuses on the definition and understanding of health education and health promotion. This study shows that Nurses at the had a better understanding of health education that was specific to clients' needs and the changes that clients had to make with regard to their disease or health. When it comes to promoting health, these nurses didn't understand. He supposed that encouraging community health comprised important media movements for public discussion, yet social and political considerations were not included. Piper found that the nurses who contributed to the research did not understand the enhancement of health (Piper, 2015).

Casey (2017) results indicated that the concept of health education and health promotion is not perfect in student's nurses and nursing instructors. The research recognized that the incapacity of students to grasp these conditions was clearly related to their nurse educators incomplete information and empathy.

A study conducted focuses health promoting behavior of nurses and their findings suggest that nurses are not interested in healthy behaviors. Not following personal health promoting behavior nurses can affect their ability to reach their health (Ross et al., 2017).

A study conducted in Pakistan shows that student nurses understand the concept of health promotion and health education, but they are unable to apply these concepts in serious situations, such as in the wards of hospital (Akhtar et al., 2018).

A study carried out by (Ramzan et al., 2017) base on concepts that clinical instructor health promoting behaviors plays important role in the development of student healthy behavior and the results of this study shows 78% of nursing faculty perform health promoting behaviors.

A conducted study focuses on the definition of health education and health promotion. The study concluded that because of the inability to plan health promotion programs, the nursing profession has failed to promote health in theory, practice and policy. The study states that experts agree on promoting health and promoting health education, but the overall plan on policy, practice and theory was unbelievable (Whitehead, 2015). Figure 1

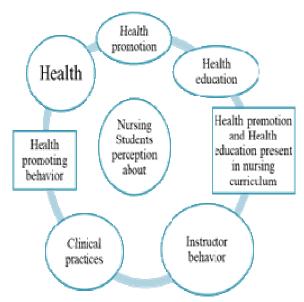


Figure 1. Conceptual Framework

METHODOLOGY

Study Design

Descriptive cross sectional study design was used in this study.

Study Site

The study was conducted in Lahore school of Nursing, The University of Lahore.

Duration

This study was carried out in duration of 4 month, from September 2019 to December 2019.

Population

The population of this study was nursing students. The Lahore School Nursing students of Four-Year Bachelor of Science in nursing BSN degree program and BSN (Post RN) will be the population of this research study. Total population size of nursing students of BSN and BSN (Post RN) students are 205 and sample size of this study is 135.

Sampling

A convenient sampling method was used for this study.

Table 1. Description of Demographic Characteristics

Categories	Respondents			
	Frequency	Percent		
Gender				
Male	25	18.5%		
Female	110	81.5%		
Age (years)				
18-22	52	38.5%		
23-27	83	61.5%		
Religion				
Muslim	107	79.3%		
Christian	28	20.7%		
program enrolled				
Baccalaureate	89	65.9%		
Post RN	46	34.1%		
Fundamental nursing text book?				
Yes	124	91.9		
No	11	8.1%		

Research Instrument

Data was collected through questionnaire adopted from (Halcomb, 2010) from the nursing students of Lahore School of Nursing, University of Lahore.

Data Gathering Procedure

The questionnaire consisted mostly of questions with forced-choice response sets. Section 1 consists of 5 demographic questions and section 2 Items from 6 to 18 were asked about definition of health and factors related to health. Items 19 through 28 were asked about the concept of health promotion and health education. Items 29 through 35 were asked about instructor presented concept of health education and health promotion in class. Items 36 through 54 were asked about perception of nursing student about their role in health promotion upon completion on nursing program. Item 55 to 57 were asked about student perception of nurses performing specific activities. Items 58 to 69 were asked from the participants to rate how often they witnessed nurses performing health promotion activities. Item 70 to 79 obtained information regarding nursing faculty role modeling health promoting behaviors

Ethical Consideration

The rules and regulations set by the ethical committee of university of Lahore will be followed while conducting the research and the rights of the research participants will be respected. Permission for data collection was taken from all the participants on attached consent form. All the data and information taken from students was kept in

confidential. Throughout the study participants were remain anonymous. It is informed that no disadvantages and risk of the study were considered. Participants were informed that any time they will free hand to with draw from process of study.

RESULTS

This chapter consists of two sections. Section 1 represents the demographic characteristics of the participants whereas section 2 represents nursing students' perception regarding health promotion and health education. Descriptive statistics such as percentages and frequencies were calculated to establish the variation in nursing student's perception regarding health education and health promotion.

Section 1

This section represents the distribution of participant by demographic characteristics. The data is summarized in terms of frequency and percentage.

The classification of demographic characteristics of participants is shown in Table 1.

Gender of the participants involved in the study were male $n=25\ (18.5\%)$ and female $n=110\ (81.5\%)$. The frequency of female is higher than male in this study. The majority of participants involved in this study were $n=83\ (61.5\%)$ belong to the age group 23-27 years and $n=52\ (38.5\%)$ belong to the age group 18-22 years. participants involved in this study were $n=107\ (79.26\%)$ were Muslims, and $n=28\ (20.74\%)$ were Christian. $n=89\ (65.93\%)$ participants were belong to baccalaureate program and $n=46\ (34.1\%)$ belong to Post RN. that

Table 2.	Definition	of health	and factor	related to	health

Questions ask about the word health.		Agree	Dis-agree
	N	%	%
State of physical, social and mental well-being.	135	86.7%	13.3%
Resource for everyday living.	135	60%	40%
Positive concept emphasizing social and personal resources.	135	65.9%	34.1%
Individual without physical disease he/she has health.	135	88.9%	11.1%
Individuals are responsible for their health.	135	80.8%	19.2%
Social environments affect an individual's health behaviors.	135	80.7%	19.3%
Process through which a person seeks equilibrium	135	88.9%	11.1%
Only individuals without disease or illness have health.	135	60%	40%
Health is the striving towards optimal functioning.	135	72.6%	27.4%
health of an individual is directly related to:		Agree	Dis-agree
His or her personal choices.	135	88.9%	11.1%
The community in which he/she lives.	135	100%	0.00%
Both the community and his/her personal choices.	135	88.9%	11.1%

majority of student n=124 (91.9%) have read fundamental of nursing book and n=11 (8.1%) said no in response to this question.

SECTION 2

This section represents the perception of nursing student regarding health promotion and health education base on concepts (1) definition of health and factors related to health, (2) Difference between concept of health promotion and health education, (3) Instructor presented concept of health education and health promotion in class, (5) nursing students perform health promoting behaviors upon completion on nursing program, (6) nurses performing specific activities, (7) witnessed nurses performing health promotion activities (8) faculty role modeling health promoting behaviors. Statistical analysis was carried out using descriptive statistics such as table, frequency and percentage.

Summary of the results

Definition of health and factor related to health

The responses strongly agree and agree were grouped and presented as agree and the responses of strongly disagree, disagree, and neutral were grouped and presented as disagree.

Table 2 shows that the majority of the participants 88.9% agreed that process through which a person seeks equilibrium that promotes stability and comfort and individual without disease or illness, 86.7%, agreed that health is a state of complete physical, social and mental wellbeing, However study population are less likely only 60% agreed to statement asked about health as a resource for everyday living. The overwhelming majority of participants 88.9% respond that current health of individual is related to both community in which and his/her personal choices. But the response was different when personal choices and community were separated into individual questions, 100% respond that health is related to community and 88.9% respond that it related to personal choices.

Table 3 shows the nursing student perception about the difference between the concept of health promotion and health education, in which majority of participants 61.5% response to Health education in motivating people to change health behaviors, 38.5% respond that it is health promotion. Majority 63.7% participant's respond to health promotion that it is involved with assisting individuals in learning skills needed to change health behaviors, 36.3% respond that it is Health education. Influencing the physical environments which affect health overwhelming participants 63.7% respond to both.

Table 4 shows that only 17.0% of the participants respond that definition of health promotion was never

Table 3. Difference between concept of health promotion and health education

Questions	HE	HP	Both	Neit-her
	%	%	%	%
Facilitating individuals with learning opportunities	51.1	22.2	14.8	11.9
Concerned with giving individuals information.	37.0	14.1	34.1	14.8
Motivating people to change health behaviors.	61.5	38.5	-	-
Assists individuals to changes in behavior.	40.0	36.3	23.7	-
Assisting individuals in learning skills.	36.3	63.7	-	-
Empowering communities to gain control over factors	38.5	61.5	-	-
Influencing economic conditions affect health.	14.1	-	63.7	22.2
Influencing the physical environments	-	-	61.5	38.5
Influencing social conditions affect health.	28.9	45.9	25.2	-

Table 4. Concept of health education and health promotion presented in nursing curriculum

Concepts presentation	1	2	3	4+
	%	%	%	%
Definition of HP.	3	32.6	15.6	31.1
Definition of HE.	16	31.9	20.7	
HP empowers communities to gain control.	16	16.3	37.8	25.9
influencing economic conditions which affect health	7	37.8	31.9	12.6
Influencing the physical environment which affects health.	16	32.6	3.7	47.4
Making changing policies which affect health.	16.3	3.7	64.4	15.6
Influencing social conditions which affect health.	16.3	47.4	3.7	15.6

presented to them in nursing classes and 31.1% participant said that the definition of health education was presented zero time in nursing classes. When asked about the various concepts of health promotion and health education about 90% of concepts were presented at least twice. The concept that "HP is involved with influencing economic conditions which affect health" was never presented to 10.4% participants. The concept that is identified as least presented in nursing classes by nursing educator is HP is involved with influencing social conditions which affect health 17.0% see table 4.

Faculty role modeling health promoting behaviors:

This section represents the nursing instructor performing health promoting behavior as a role modeling as

perceived by nursing students. The responses of never and rarely were grouped and presented as "did not perform" and the responses of always, often and sometime were grouped and presented as perform.

Table 6 shows that nursing instructors were not always role modeling healthy behavior, as perceived by nursing students. While nursing faculty are performing a lot of the health behaviors most of the time, some are still smoking (11.9%), and not maintaining ideal body weight (19.3%) 73.3% eats healthy foods, and only 47.4% engage in regular physical activity (see Table 7). The researcher clustered the individual behaviors, such as non-smoking, managing stress, maintaining ideal body weight, engaging in regular physical activity, exhibiting characteristics of good mental health, and having healthy social interactions at work, and then clustered the community activities of being involved in local, state or

Table 5. Faculty role modeling health promoting behaviours

Nursing behaviors.	instructor's	Per-formed	Did not Performed
		%	%
Non-smoking	•	88.1%	11.9%
Maintain idea	l body weight	80.7%	19.3%
regular physic	al activity	47.4%	52.6%
Manage stres	S.	39.3%	60.7%
healthy social interactions		80.7%	19.3%
at work.			
good mental h	nealth.	60.7%	39.3%
healthy foods	•	73.3%	26.7%
Be involved in public health		11.9%	88.1%
policy change			
Developing	healthy	61.5%	38.5%
environments			
Be involved in economy to		47.4%	52.6%
influence hea	lth.		

Table 6. Nursing students' health promoting behaviours upon completion on nursing program

Nursing students' health promoting behaviors upon completion of		Will be perform	Will not be perform
nursing program.	N	%	%
Support non-smoking law	135	72.6%	27.4%
Support non-smoking law areas involving children,	135	58.6%	41.4%
Attend a national nursing conference.	135	67.4%	32.6%
Offer child safety education	135	83%	17%
high risk behaviors,	135	72.6%	27.4%
Nutritional requirements.	135	58.5%	42.5%
Recommendations for physical	135	67.4%	32.6%
activities.			
Passing state laws affecting health.	135	100.0%	0.00%
Developing healthy environments	135	72.0%	27.0%
healthier selections	135	100.0%	0.00%
Changing unhealthy behaviors.	135	72.6%	27.4%

Table 7. Chi-Square Test

Post RN vs BSN nursing students likelihood to	Post RN n=46	BSN n= 89	Chi- Square	df	Sig p<
perform specific behaviors					
Support changes for healthier selections	34	66.2	3.376	1	*p< .050
Changing unhealthy behaviors for clients.	71.73	73.03	4.348	1	p< .811
Offer child safety education to family members of clients.	82.6	83.15	4.136	1	*p<.039
Talk to clients about recommendations for physical activities.	63.04	69.66	1.454	1	*p<.016
Talk to clients about nutritional requirements.	67.4	53.93	3.501	1	*p<.039

national public health policy change, developing healthy environments and influencing the economy to influence health. The individual activities were performed more frequently (52.2%) by nursing instructors than the community activities (32.5%).

Nursing students' health promoting behaviors upon completion on nursing program

The responses of very likely and likely were group and presented as will performed. The responses of very unlikely, likely, and neutral were grouped and presented as will not performed.

Table no 6 results identified that majority of nursing students will perform specific health promoting activities such as talking to clients about recommendations for physical activities (67.5%), assisting community in developing healthy environments (72%), offering child safety classes to family members of clients (83%), and Attending a national nursing conference (67.4%). The overall (100%) of the respondent would support a smoking cessation at their place of employment but that number decreased when asked about supporting a smoking law banning smoking in public places (72.6%) and areas involving children (58.6%), such as a person's home and private vehicle (54.4%, n=226).

Chi-Square Test

Chi-Square test was used to compare the Post RN and BSN nursing students' perception of likelihood to perform health promoting activities upon the completion of program.

In comparing the post RN to BSN table no 5 shows that BSN students are more likely to performed health promoting activities upon the completion of study.

DISCUSSION

The purpose of the study is to assess nursing student perception regarding health promotion and health education. The data was collected from 135 nursing students currently enrolled in Post RN and BSN nursing programs at the Lahore School of Nursing, The University of Lahore. In compare to national league for nursing sample for this study was not similar demographically to national student nurses population (Godshall et al., 2016).

Participants in this study, who identified their gender, were 110 predominantly females (81.5%, n=135). This findings were similar (p<.08) to the national characteristics of student nurses graduating from basic nursing programs in which the majority are female (88%).

The research included more students from the BSN (65.9%, n=135) and fewer students from the diploma (34.1%, n=135) than the national student nurse population. Statistically, the survey sample was not similar in terms of nursing programs to the national population (p<.02).

The first research question was: "How do nursing students define health". The majority of participants define health as recognized by world health organization that's been around and used by many professionals for many years. Students in nursing accepted that an individual's health is influenced by personal choices made by an individual, as well as by the society they live in. Students were more likely to agree that personal choices (88.9 percent, n=135) impact an individual's wellbeing more than the society (88.9 percent, n=135) in which they live. From the findings of this study, this can be assumed that nursing students recognize that the environment affects an individual's health. This reinforces other study findings that indicated that nursing students recognized the importance of the social environment to health, but were unable to put into practice how they can influence the social environment to improve health. Nursing schools need to use their learning to allow students to improve their health by "combining academic and environmental support for behaviors and living conditions conducive to health" (Golden, McLeroy, Green, Earp, & Lieberman, 2015).

The second research question asked was: "Can students in nursing describe the difference among the concept of health education and health promotion? The majority of participants respond that facilitating individuals with learning opportunities to improve health is health education and assisting individuals in learning skills needed to change health behaviors is health promotion. The overwhelming majority of participants respond that influencing economic conditions affect health concept related to both health promotion and health education and 38.5% participant's respond that influencing the physical environments which affect health is nor health education nor health promotion. It is evident from the results of this study that there is a lack of a universal understanding of health promotion and health education in nursing. This finding was similar to international studies conducted on health promotion and health education (whitehead, 2017), (Casey, 2017).

The third research question was: how many time the concept of health education and health promotion presented in nursing curriculum? At least 93 percent (n=135) of the participants indicated that their nursing courses described health promotion and health education at least once. Approximately 96% (n=135) of respondent reported hearing that health promotion and health education includes concepts such as involved with influencing physical environments, economic conditions, and making/changing strategies and social conditions that affect health.

The forth research question was: What health promoting behaviors is nursing faculty role-modeling as perceived by their students? The results of this study revealed that the faculty of nursing always acts as reliable role models for student nurses. This research asked students about their experiences of nursing teachers practicing specific behaviors enhancing their own wellbeing and improving the community's health. According to nursing students, smoking, rarely engaging in physical activity and failing to maintain ideal body weight, some nursing instructors failed to act as role models for individual health behaviors. This study found that 11 percent of nursing teachers are smoking; while this figure is less than the 13 percent national smoking figures (CDC, 2018), progress towards a healthier lifestyle remains scope for improvement. Only 11% (n=135) of the students nurse believe that nursing faculty engage in improvements to local, state or national public health policy. If nurse educators expect their students to be active in health promotion from an individual, as well as a community perspective, they need to act as rolemodels. A study conducted by Denehy (2013) indicated that nurses instructor need to be active participants in healthy behaviors in order to be reliable role models or advocates of health. The fifth research question asked was: "What is the role of the nurse in implementing health promotion as perceived by nursing students?" to answer this question, The researcher asked questions about what students felt nurses should do and what students witness nurses doing and asked specific questions about what actions nursing student should conduct once they became nurses. All participants agreed that nurses had a role for individuals, groups and communities to encourage health promotion. The participants who answer "yes" nurses should talk about health and lifestyles routinely with their clients, (27.4%) of the student nurses would not assess the client for high risk behaviors. Participants who said nurses should expand their health promotion efforts and provide health and lifestyle information to family members of their clients; (33.1%) of them would not offer child safety education to family members of clients. Among the respondents who said that nurses are supposed to support healthier environments, all of the participants would be involved in helping pass state laws affecting health and (67.4%) would be involved in supporting the building of physical environments.

In terms of health promotion, the participants in this study did not see nurses serving as role models. The results show that the majority of the participants (68.9%) initiate health education to clients without a medical doctor's order. Only a small number of study participants witnessed the other listed health promotion activities.

Chi-square test was used to compare the likelihood of performing health promoting activities of post RN and BSN nursing students upon their completion of study. The results indicated that nursing students of both

degrees will perform health promoting activities. These findings suggest that nursing student will be in involved in promoting health of individual rather than community and groups.

The data from this research established that the task of promoting health through a socio-ecological approach was either not being taught to nursing students, or not seeing themselves in. The answers of the students showed that they were told that health promotion was based more directly on modifying behaviors of individuals. Students had nursing instructors who played a role that modeled individual health promotion more than community health promotion and, in turn, nursing students were exposed to nurses who limited individual health promotion activities. This can happen because nurses usually do not see their position as health advocates by making policies, affecting the economy or improving the climate to have a positive impact on the community.

CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS

The findings indicated that only half of nursing students are informed that there is a difference between health promotion and health education by their nursing instructors. Although there were some signs that nursing students were introduced to the concept of health promotion as a socio-ecological strategy that integrates changes in the economy, policy, organization and climate. This socio-ecological approach was not viewed by the majority of student nurses as having a role modeling faculty or nurses. The expectations of student nurses about the nurse's role in promoting health have to do with modifying individual health habits as opposed to affecting the environment, social conditions, policies or anything beyond the patient. Curriculum improvements are not only required to integrate these accepted concepts of health promotion, but clinical practices are also needed to allow students to work in the expanded role of health promotion. Today's nursing students are not only limited in terms of health promotion in the clinical setting, but also in terms of health education. This research study elicited that student's nurses perceived health education as giving information regarding illness. Students of nursing need role models who incorporate individual healthy behaviors. All fields of nursing need to understand that if the broad socio-ecological approach is used, health is dramatically improved. Student nurses may not be able to see themselves fulfilling the expanded role of health promotion because they have no role models for nurse educators or nurses. Nurses need to be more involved in promoting the wellbeing of people, organizations, and societies by participating in the cultural, political, institutional, and environmental changes affecting health. Nurses and nursing educator need to

understand that their patients 'wellbeing is influenced by social-ecological issues, not just the particular activities of the patient, regardless of the type of environment in which they operate.

Limitations

This study has following limitation.

- This study was carried out in only one department of University of Lahore, so its findings cannot be generalized to overall populations.
- The results are based on self-reported data from participants, which limit the validity of the data.
- Simple size was small. Large sample will improve the accuracy of the results.

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