

NURSING SCHOOL ANNA NERY FROM FEDERAL UNIVERSITY OF RIO DE JANEIRO: 90 YEARS OF ITS CREATION.

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The Nursing School Anna Nery completes 90 years of existence this year of 2013. Its creation as School for Nurses from National Department of Public Health in 1923, which represents an invaluable contribution to nursing regarding the social sense which is taxed against the deployment of the Nightingale System, brought in the interpretation of American nurses in response to the request coming from our country, made with the intermediation of the eminent sanitariatist Carlos Chagas.

The importance of this initiative was significant on the health situation in the country which installed its training model, with support of a law established in the 1930s, and earned recognition as a national standard, becoming Brazilian model of teaching and nursing care. Since then, the Nursing School Anna Nery is constituted as a monument of the Brazilian Nursing, where were attended by honorable and studious women who have devoted themselves to the study of nursing as a discipline and as a profession, and in any of these instances, their fight purposes turned to the development of population health in the country.

A pioneer in scientific investigations about the history of nursing in this ninetieth anniversary, the Nursing School Anna Nery guard an inexhaustible documental memory preserved in its Classes Pavilion, which have always been valued as a legacy, a considerable collection that allows research the history of the development Brazilian nursing.

The history as an investigative field has been seeking to identify multiple landmarks constituting the trajectory of the profession, including this School which has a protagonist place putting itself on the leadership for several decades in their journey of life. Their early initiatives in these ninety years, record how this institution of higher education undertaken efforts and teamed up for the creation and development of its organizational entities; for the creation of the first scientific journal of the profession; for the struggle to develop courses of post-graduation lato and stricto sensu, marked by the installation of the first Master's Degree in Nursing in the country, whose places at the first class were shared with students already working in other teaching institutions, which boosted the development of nursing research in Brazil.

The range covered by the Nursing School Anna Nery with such variation of internal and external activities was performed focusing fundamentally on the quality of their undergraduate program to train nurses, although this School was also on the occasion, a participant in the training of other nurses in other levels of education, like Nursing Assistants and Nursing Technicians.

In these current birthday celebrations this headquarter school, it's worth to remember that its works initiated with rare partnerships by the pioneer peculiarity of its training model in Brazil at the early twentieth century, however, their political behavior of social commitment with the training of Brazilian Nursing professionally contributed to the collective growth of Nursing in several regions of the Country.

It was not that different, the assignment of a teacher to work in a nursing education project in the Department of University Affairs of the Ministry of Education and Culture, whose advance culminated in the development of 16 new institutions of higher education in nursing at Federal Universities in the years of 1970 to 1980.

Today, the Nursing School Anna Nery deserves recognition for participation in the construction of an identity for higher education in Nursing, under graduation and post-graduation, so prestigious that fits in their own walking life, not only his own story, but also the history of other partner schools and correspondents, sometimes invited to celebrate the ninetieth birthday with all the Brazilian society.

There are so many thanks to our Anna Nery School, that the best of them will be revive their works with the reverence of those who fought and those who faced the challenges of Nursing for almost a century of institutional life, trusting in the ability to renew themselves in every instigating situation presented to them. The nurses of tomorrow, for sure, will give more intense responses to the history under construction of Brazilian nursing. For now, congratulations to the Nursing School Anna Nery, an icon of Brazilian Nursing.