

Belonging in Nursing: An Interactive Conversation on BIPOC Nurse Experiences

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Definitions





BIPOC	An acronym for Black, Indigenous, People of Color
DEI	An acronym for Diversity, Equity, and Inclusion
Diversity	A variety of racial identities or characteristics (e.g., African Americans, Native Americans, Latinx). Diversity is a quantitative measure of representation.
Equity	Ensures that outcomes in the conditions of well-being are improved for marginalized groups, lifting outcomes for all. Equity is a measure of justice.
Inclusion	The measure of the quality of representation, such as full access, authentic representation, empowered participation, true belonging and power-sharing. Inclusion is a qualitative measure of representation and participation.

Source: Race Forward http://www.raceforward.org/about/what-is-racial-equity-key-concepts

Background





800,000

Nurses are planning to leave their job in the next four years

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Nearly ½ of nurses say there is "a lot" of racism in nursing

56% of nurses say racism in the workplace has negatively impacted their professional well-being

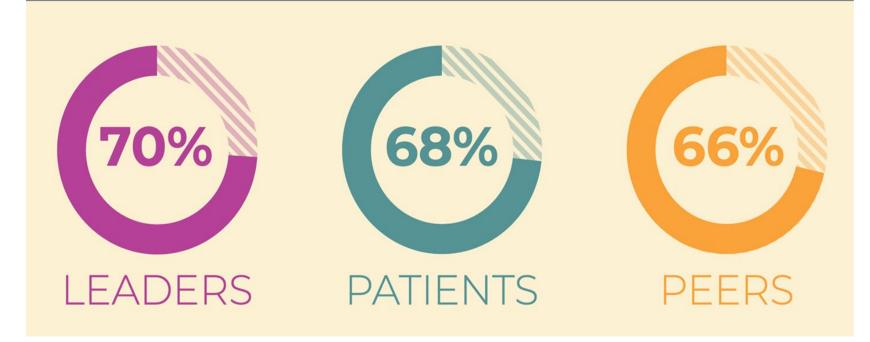
63% of nurses have personally experienced racism in the workplace

Source: National Commission to Address Racism in Nursing









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Racism's Impact on Nursing



The impact of Covid-19 is still being felt across health care organizations. As our society changes, it emphasizes the need to *reimagine* how we approach retention strategies.

Instead of thinking locally in terms of incentive programs, we need to think from a structural perspective.

BIPOC Nurses who feel supported in their organization lead to increased provider satisfaction and may result in improved health care outcomes for their patients.





What Does "Belonging" Mean To You?

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Belonging Definition





"Having a meaningful voice and the opportunity to participate in the design of political, social, and cultural structures that shape one's life – the right to both contribute and make demands upon society and political institutions."

Source: Othering & Belonging Institute





How Does Your Organization Promote Belonging?

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Strategies to Promote Belonging





Washington State Center for Nursing created BIPOC Nurse Spaces with the following goals:

- Create a safe and brave space for people of color in nursing in Washington state
- Validate experiences and keep the BIPOC nursing community connected
- Tackle issues that impact the BIPOC nursing community in Washington state
- Support each other and common interest in DEI for the Washington state nurse workforce





What Are Strategies You Can Implement at Your Organization to Increase Belonging?

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Conclusion





Diversity, equity, and inclusion efforts should lead to increased belonging within the workforce

Four categories of DEI work: awareness, knowledge, skills, process

Belonging is the end goal. Compassion is the path forward.

Resources





The Othering & Belonging Institute

https://belonging.berkeley.edu/

National Commission to Address Racism in Nursing: Racism's Impact in Nursing Report

Racism in Nursing Report

Race Forward

http://www.raceforward.org/about/what-is-racial-equity-key-concepts

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Thank You

