The LABMT initiated activities to establish Nurses Group in 2018 through educational webinars and collaborative contacts, particularly with the EBMT Nurses GEC. The aim of this collaboration is to perform educational programs for nurses in line with JACIE standards, providing support to centers involved in JACIE accreditation and deliver evidence-based nurse practice and excellence in care for our transplanted patients.

This group brings together all countries of Latin America, which makes it a great challenge and opportunity. Network has been created and continues growing.

More than 250 nurses are members, with representatives from each of the Latin American countries performing hematopoietic stem cell transplantation.

The educational program of the LABMT meeting was organized by LABMT Nurses Group and EBMT Nurses GEC. Overview of the transplant process in line with JACIE standards was covered and local nurses from Latin America participated as speakers and chairs.

More than 300 attendees from Brazil, Chile, Argentina, Paraguay, Peru, Costa Rica among others.

We had the privilege to listen about the experience of two transplant patients, which is always very instructive and leads us towards improved patient-centered care.

Aims:

- Reinforcement of collaboration between LABMT and EBMT Nurses Group.
- Strengthening the structure for the LABMT Nurses Group (including bylaws, communication and network between teams of the different countries and administrative aspects).
- Implementation of a system for continuing education focused on nursing care and quality/accreditation issues.
- EBMT Nurses Textbook: possible translation in local languages (Portuguese and Spanish).

The Global Education Committee Nurses Group (GEC-NG) held a study day for HSCT Nurses during the 6th Worldwide Network for Blood and Marrow Transplantation (WBMT) / World Health Organization (WHO) Meeting in Asunción, Paraguay. This event was organized in collaboration with the LABMT Group and the Paraguayan Society of Haematology and Transfusion Medicine.

Aim for the 6th Workshop:

- Foundation of an unrelated registry.
- Recruitment of potential donors.
- Acknowledge Latin American politicians, colleagues, nurses.
- Acknowledge non-Latin American colleagues.

Other countries: Approach new countries to collaborate and establish national nurses group, and offer support with educational programs.

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