






## DELEGATION TO CUBA DECEMBER 2024

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## Trip Objectives

- Experience school nursing through the eyes of our international counterparts
- Learn about:
  - Model for school health in Cuba
  - Model for health care in Cuba and
  - Exceptional student programs in Cuba
  - Mandatory health requirements (i.e., immunizations)
  - Major health concerns in Cuba
- Create goodwill

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## Introductions

### Panelists

Panelists, please briefly introduce yourself and tell us why you joined the delegation traveling to Cuba...




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**Dr. Kate King**  
*Nursing Leadership*

**What does nursing leadership look like in Cuba?**



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**Jessica Gervais, MS, RN**  
*Healthcare in Cuba*

**What does the Cuban healthcare system look like?**



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**Sandi Delack, MEd, BSN, RN, NCSN-E, FNASN**  
*Special Instruction*

**What programs are available for children and adults with special needs in Cuba?**



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## Soph Hall, DNP, MEd, RN, NCSN

*Access to Health Care*

Can you discuss the role of the public clinic in immunizations of children?



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## Brief History of Cuban Healthcare

- Pre-1959: Limited, unequal access
- 1959: Revolution → Health as a human right
- 1960s-70s: Rural clinics, universal coverage
- 1980s: Focus on prevention and education



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## Cuban Healthcare Today



- Universal and free care
- Family Doctor and Nurse model
- Focus on prevention and community health
- Global medical outreach (sending doctors abroad)

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# Kathleen Schoemer, MSN, R, CPRN-PC

*Nursing Education*

What does nursing and medical education look like in Cuba?



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# Debriefing

*Sharing Lessons Learned*



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# "The Extension"

*Sharing Cultures*



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### "The Extension"

*Sharing Cultures*



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