



PATIENT INTERACTION WITH MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAMS A NURSING PERSPECTIVE

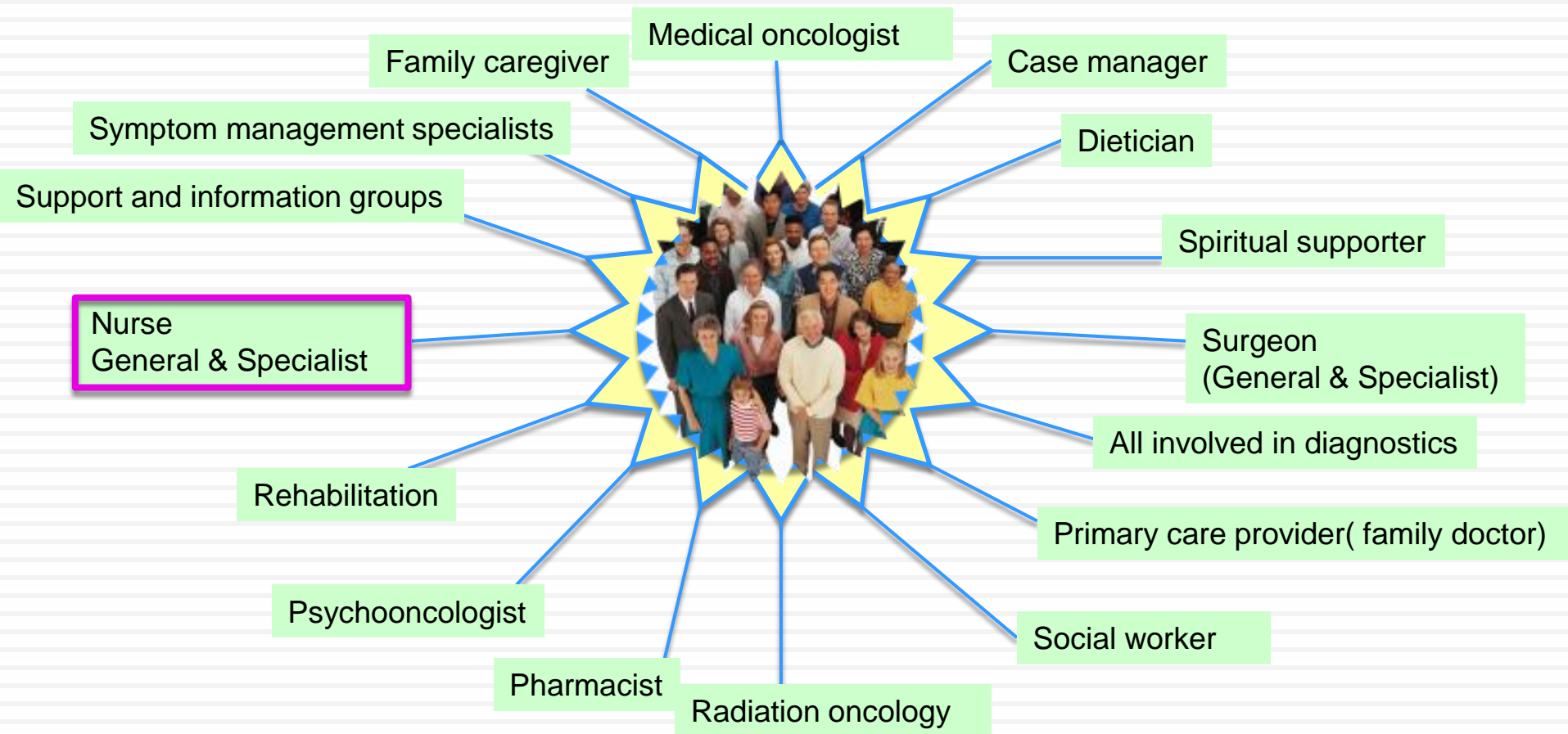
Joining forces with cancer patients

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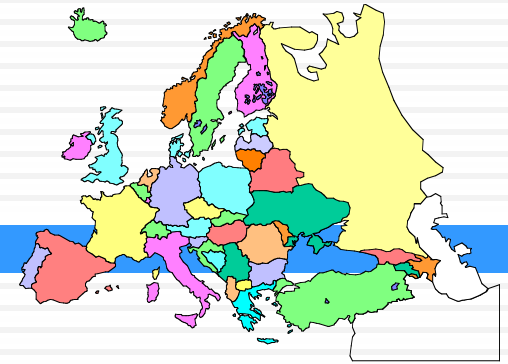
The multiprofessional oncology circle

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Nursing in Europe

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- ◆ Nurses are the largest group of healthcare providers in Europe.
- ◆ Nurses spend more time with patients than any other health care professional.
- ◆ Nurses are involved in all phases of the cancer Journey – from diagnosis till death.

Percentage

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The majority of nurses are involved in direct patient care and practice at the generalist level.

- ◆ 43% Hospital/multihospital system
- ◆ 24% Outpatient / ambulatory
- ◆ 11% Physicians offices
- ◆ 3% Hospice or home care

Specialty areas of the oncology nurse

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- ◆ Chemotherapy
- ◆ Breast Care nurse
- ◆ Hematology /BMT
- ◆ Radiation oncology
- ◆ Surgical oncology
- ◆ Gynecology
- ◆ HNO
- ◆ Community oncology nursing
- ◆ Prevention and early detection
- ◆ Genetic counselling
- ◆ Symptom management
- ◆ Rehabilitation
- ◆ Survivorship care planning
- ◆ Palliative Care
- ◆ Clinical trials

Nursing Sensitive Patient Outcomes (NSPO)

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- ◆ Definition: Nursing-sensitive patient outcomes are outcomes that are attained through or are significantly impacted by nursing interventions. The interventions must be within the scope of nursing practice and integral to the processes of nursing care.

Includes:

- ◆ Symptom control and management
- ◆ Functional status
- ◆ Psychosocial Health Status
- ◆ Economic issues

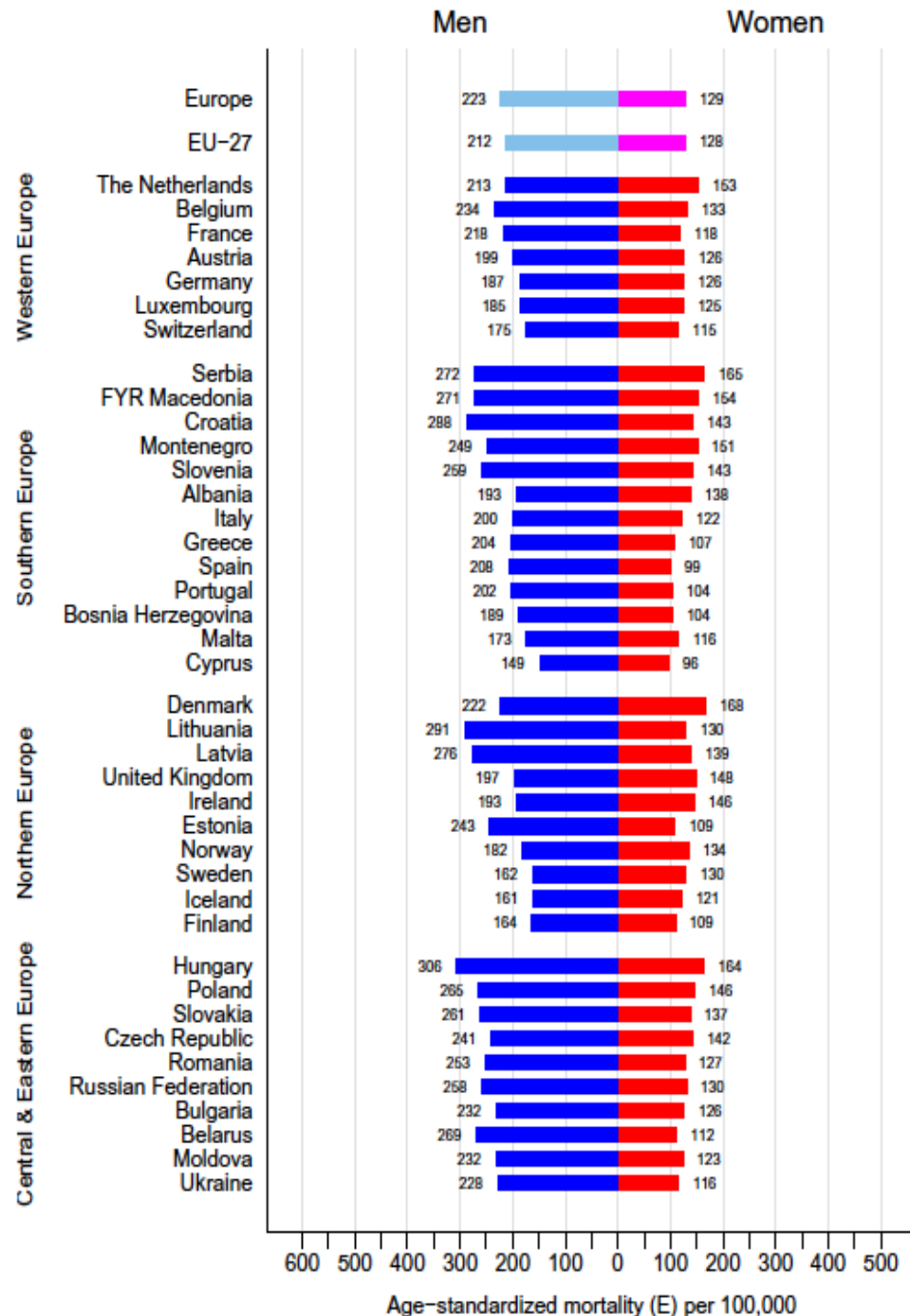
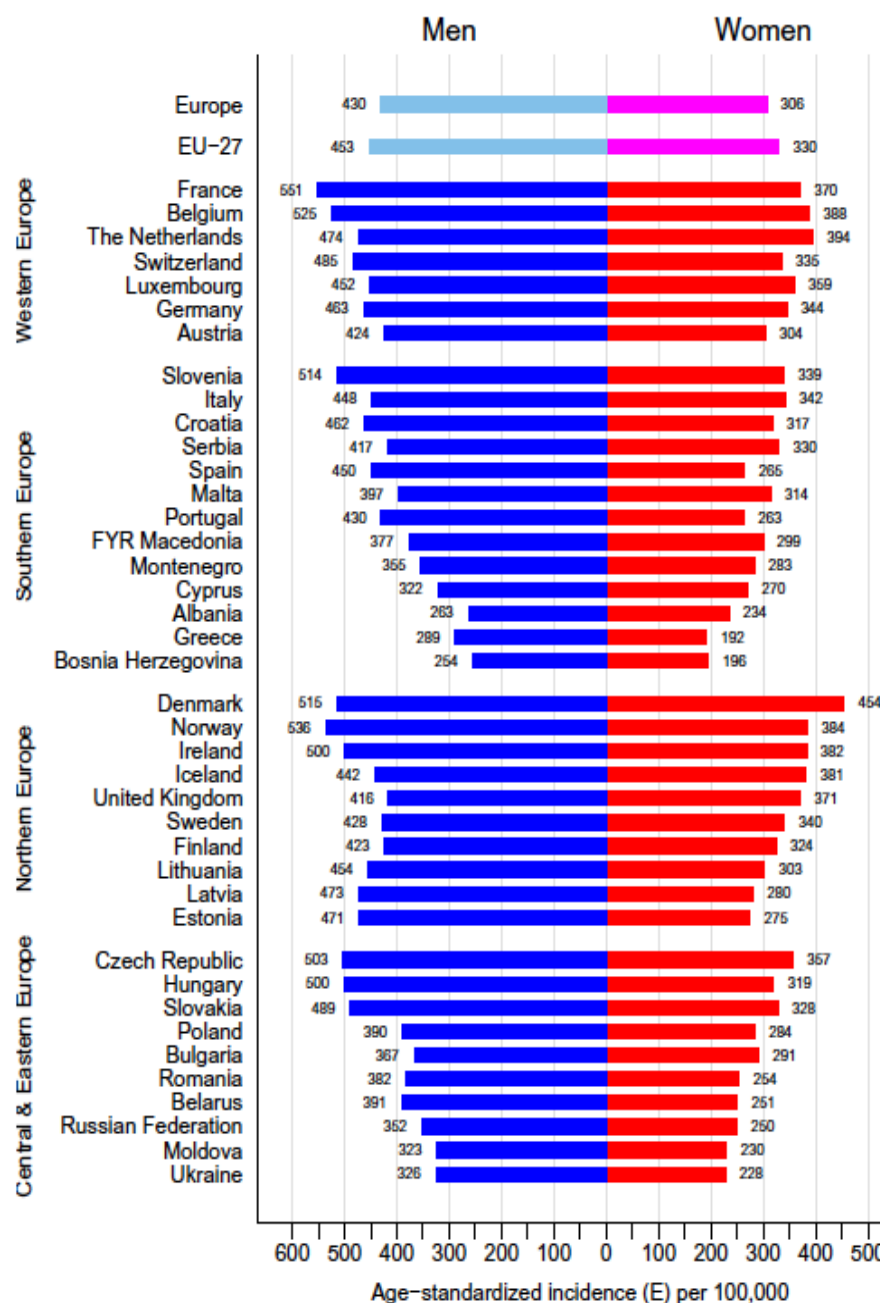
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- ◆ a belief that something will happen or is likely to happen
- ◆ a feeling or belief about how successful, good, etc. someone or something will be
- ◆ the act or state of looking forward to some occurrence <in *expectation* of a harsh winter, we budgeted more money than usual for the cost of heating our home>

Synonyms [anticipation](#), [contemplation](#), [expectance](#),
[expectancy](#), [prospect](#)

Related Words [alarm](#) [apprehension](#), [dread](#), [foreboding](#),
[misgiving](#)



Changes and challenges ahead – what will effect the multiprofessional team, oncology nursing and patient support?

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General issues

- ◆ Increasing cancer population
- ◆ **Demographic shift - ageing population / co-morbidities**
- ◆ **Shorter inpatient stays; more ambulatory therapy delivered**
- ◆ **Shift of care from hospital to family**
- ◆ Services increasingly specialised and sophisticated
- ◆ **Significant improvements in treatments and outcomes →**
 - ◆ **Increase in the number of cancer survivors!**
- ◆ Treatment options – increasing number of oral chemotherapy drugs
- ◆ Increasing numbers of targeted therapies

- ♦ Increased awareness and more detailed information about cancer
- ♦ More informed patient choice & increased consumer power
- ♦ Disadvantaged groups (inequalities, disparities in insurances)
- ♦ Treatment costs
- ♦ Reduced funds to healthcare

Looking ahead

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