





**MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING (MOU)**

**BETWEEN**

**MEKELLE UNIVERSITY, COLLEGE OF HEALTH SCIENCES, SCHOOL OF NURSING/AYDER  
COMPREHENSIVES SPECIALIZED HOSPITAL, MEKELLE CITY, ETHIOPIA**

**AND**

**NARAYANA COLLEGE OF NURSING, NELLORE, AFFILIATED BY Dr. N.T.R UNIVERSITY OF  
HEALTH SCIENCES VIJAYAWADA, ANDHRA PRADESH, INDIA (Approved and Recognized by  
Indian Nursing Council, New Delhi, India)**

The Mekelle School of Nursing was established in September 2007. Currently the school is running a generic program along with Post Basic B.Sc. degree in Comprehensive Nursing, Psychiatric Nursing and Post Basic B.Sc. degree in six nursing Specialties (Operation theater nursing, Neonatal nursing, Ophthalmic nursing, Surgical nursing, Pediatric & Child health nursing and Emergency and critical nursing) programs which continued its contribution in addressing the nurse professionals development need of the country. Moreover, the school opened four Master's program (M.Sc. in maternity and reproductive Nursing, Pediatrics and child health Nursing, Adult health nursing and integrated clinical & community mental health) in 2010, 2013, 2017 & 2018 respectively. Additionally the school enrolls four students in Ph.D. in nursing students starting in 2017.

MU-CHS School of Nursing is involved in classroom and clinical teaching, providing short term training for staff nurses in the clinical setup to build a health care system that delivers high-quality care to the community. Currently we have four & two batches of students in the generic & specialty undergraduate programs, two & one batches of student in M.Sc. & Ph.D. programs respectively in each of six departments and total number of enrolled more than 500. The number of staff is nearly 80 in a range of Graduate assistant (B.Sc. holders) to Associate professors also we have four Ph.D. holders.

Ayder comprehensive specialized hospital is the only university hospital in Mekelle, Tigray region which was established in 2007 with 500 beds. The hospital is one of the major referral & teaching hospital found in the region and the service gives for patients from every corner of the region, some area of Afar & Amhara regions with total annual flow of 32,000 patients.





**Narayana College of Nursing, Nellore**, was established under the aegis of Narayana Educational Society (a registered body) in the academic year 2002-03, under the dynamic leadership of Dr. P. Narayana, Founder Chairman, a Gold Medalist in Statistics. His Vision to create world class Nurses through an organized and systematic nursing education. The Institutions offer excellent quality modern education with the simple philosophy of "Give the Best and Get the Best". The Nursing Institutions provide comprehensive education, both theoretical and practical, which are designed to sharpen critical thinking skills, stimulate scientific inquiry, develop effective practice and cultivate qualities of compassion and caring the Nursing Institutions. The students provide excellent academic exposure through various continuing nursing education programmes, conferences, workshops, an exhaustive Digital library and visits of eminent personalities by which they have the opportunity to develop skill from **patient clinics, casualty, emergency, critical care units, operation theatres, inpatient wards, radio diagnostic units and central advanced clinical laboratories in the teaching parent hospitals i.e. Narayana Medical College Hospital (General, Multi-Specialty and Super Specialty) with 1500 beds, situated in the same premises and this will help to update their knowledge.**

#### **Courses Offered at Narayana College of Nursing, Nellore**

PhD, M.Sc.(N), B.Sc. (N), PB. B.Sc.(N), GNM, Post Basic Diploma Courses (Neonatal, Oncology, Ortho & Rehabilitation, Psychiatric, Emergency & Disaster, Critical care & Cardiothoracic)

Capacity building partnership projects can play a significant role so as to achieve our objectives that are in line with the University's mission of becoming one of the top 25 Universities in Africa. Hence the school would like to establish a partnership that will help to improve its capacity through staff exchange, research and academic and cultural interchange. Narayana college of Nursing, Nellore in India has enormous experience in the discipline for many more years by which it has been running a number of programs including tertiary level PhD program in Nursing. Hence the partnership with Narayana college of Nursing, Nellore will be beneficial to both institutions based on its scope and objectives.




*To achieve the objects of the Narayana College of Nursing , Chinthareddypalem, Nellore, Andhra Pradesh, India, Pin: 524 003 and Mekelle University, College of Health Sciences, School of Nursing/Ayder Comprehensive Specialized Hospital Mekke City, Ethiopia, agree to implement this Memorandum of Understanding.*

This agreement is based on the principle of reciprocity and expresses the interest of both parties in exchanging scholars, students, academic information and materials in the belief that the research and educational process at both the institutions will be enhanced and that mutual understanding between their respective scholars and students will be increased by the establishment of such exchange programs.

**Scope:**

This partnership will be inclusive of all nursing related issues in academic, research, staff exchange, student exchange and cultural interchange.

**Specific Areas of cooperation:**

- Trainings: Both short and long term training based on the interest of either party will help to improve the capacity of the staff. Hence, starting from short term trainings to M.Sc. and PhD level programs can be considered.
- Student exchange: Based on the programs run by both parties, students from one institution will be allowed to take, short term training and clinical teaching in the other partner institution.
- Academic staff exchange: To share the unique experience of each other, this MOU will focus on staff exchange where academic staff starting from operational staff to head of departments and head of school and they will be allowed to supervise, observe and discuss with the partner institution.
- Academic and cultural interchange: In addition to the above mentioned activities, the MOU is wider to include other academic issues based on the request of any party. Also there will be cultural interchange activity once in 02 years by which staff from India will go to Ethiopia, and Ethiopian staff will also go to India for cultural interchange.



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**Financial arrangements and accommodation**

- When staff go to the partner institution for any activity, the host institution is responsible to arrange the accommodation based on the number of staff
- The transport and per diem issue of the staff should be covered by their own institution
- Payments to academic and clinical courses should be covered by the institution who send students for the training

**Terms and conditions**

- Duration: this partnership will be effective for 04 years from \_\_\_\_\_ to \_\_\_\_\_
- It can be renewed based on the mutual interest of both institutions
- Based on each focus area the partnership can be broadened

**On behalf of MU-CHS**

Signature

29 NOV. 2019

Date

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**On behalf of Narayana Nursing college**

Signature

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