

Abstract “The Importance of Breast Care Nursing”

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Natalija Franks' lecture deals with „The importance of Breast Care Nursing“ (BCN). Generally she talks about the importance of progress, especially of the progress in medical sciences & technology. She shows the scientific publications line and talks about the expansion of knowledge. She comes to the conclusion that no one can know everything and the need of qualified personnel in care, in particular in the breast care. Afterwards Natalija Frank discusses the certification of breast units, EUSOMA and the core duties of breast care nurses.

On the basis of at least 20 years working experience with oncological patients she shows what one qualified nurse is able to do: work is based in particular on the care of cancer patients and ranges from working together with other institutions and be part of health care settings, through the organisation of information-events, to after treatment of patients.

At the end of her lecture Natalija Frank introduces results of a survey on 365 patients and shows the difference of employment before and after surgery. She appeals to the auditorium becoming aware of this existentially problem: it will not disappear without engagement of patients' advocacy.

She finishes her lecture with some future trends and the conclusion about population growth, age structure and the need of qualified breast care nurses.