



## Nurse Practitioners: An Opportunity to Recreate the Art of Nursing

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**Abstract:** The Australian Public Healthcare system today is complex and fragmented. It is a three-tiered system comprising primary, secondary and tertiary care. The typical hospital structure is a complex web of clinical streams, supported by Allied Health and other administrative functions. The system has created clinical silos without considering how they work together to look after the patient holistically. There is a separation within the system of people with a disability, chronic or complex illness, aged care and social welfare. Healthcare nursing is both an art and a science however, the time pressures on nurses have largely reduced their roles to being task driven. They may be mindful that health affects all members of families, that health and illness are family events and that the process and outcome of healthcare is influenced by family support but, they do not have the capacity within their roles to practice this art of nursing.



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