# Think Global, Act Local: Best Practices of School Nursing Around the World

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# **Objectives**

- By the end of the session, participants will be able to:
  - Articulate similarities and differences in models of school nursing practiced around the world.



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## Children Around World

- Nearly 235 million children in the world suffer from asthma.
- Over 155 million children are considered obese (tripled in 20 years)
- Leading cause of death of children less than 5 years include pneumonia, diarrhea, malnutrition, and malaria





# **Method**

- Systematic review of the literature (2007, English)
- A secondary analysis of OECD health data
- Key informant interviews



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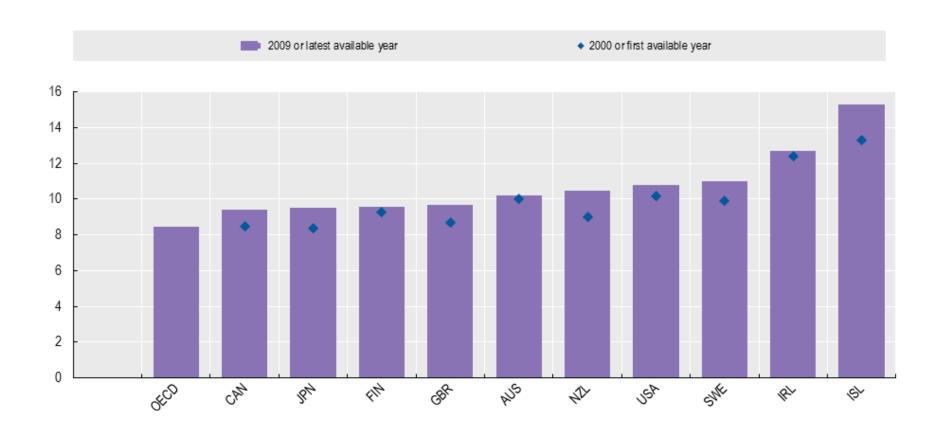
## Results

- ▶ 10 articles
- 4 government/white papers
- 4 Key Informant Interviews
  - Many more 'informal interviews'





### OECD Data: Nurses Per Population





# Nurse to Physician Ratio

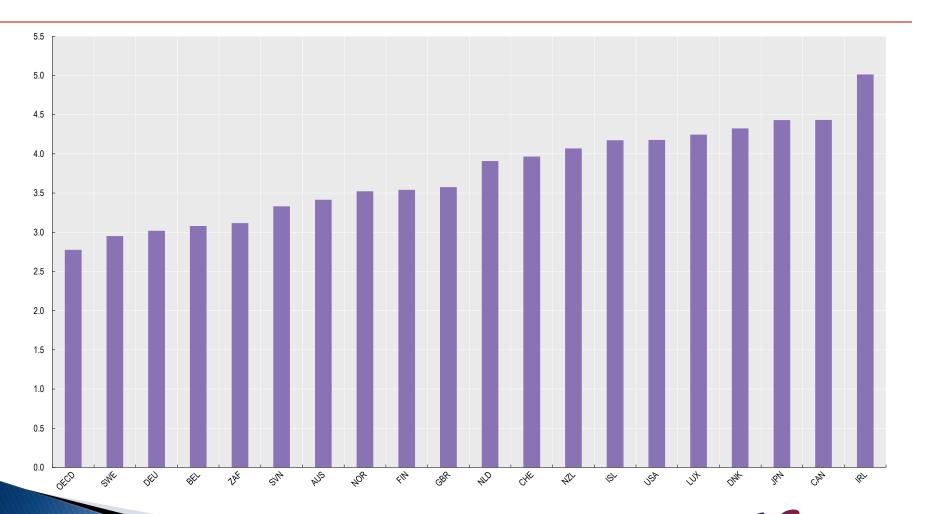




Table 2.1. Comparative policy-focused child well-being in 30 OECD countries

1 ranks the best performing country

	Malerial well-being	Housing and environment	Educational well-being	Health and safety	RISK behavlours	Quality of school life
Australia	15	2	6	15	17	n.a.
Austria	5	9	18	27	27	11
Belglum	11	11	20	26	13	19
Canada	14	n.a.	3	22	10	16
Czech Republic	18	24	19	5	23	17
Denmark	2	6	7	4	21	8
Finland	4	7	1	6	26	18
France	10	10	23	19	12	22
Germany	16	18	15	9	18	9
Greece	26	19	27	23	7	24
Hungary	20	21	12	11	25	7
Iceland	8	4	14	2	8	1
Ireland	17	5	5	25	19	10
Italy	19	23	28	17	11	20
Japan	22	16	11	13	2	n.a.
Korea	13	n.a.	2	10	2	n.a.
Luxembourg	3	8	17	7	14	23
Mexico	29	26	29	28	30	n.a.
Netherlands	9	17	4	8	9	3
New Zealand	21	14	13	29	24	n.a.
Norway	1	1	16	16	4	2
Poland	28	22	8	14	20	15
Portugal	25	20	26	18	6	21
Slovak Republic	27	25	24	1	22	25
Spain	24	13	21	12	16	6
Sweden	6	3	9	3	1	5
Switzerland	7	n.a.	10	21	5	13
Turkey	30	n.a.	30	30	29	12
United Kingdom	12	15	22	20	28	4
United States	23	12	25	24	15	14



## Results

- Employed by health or education.
- Roles varied
- Health promotion and chronic disease management.
- Screening





# Results, cont.

- Many roles changing (health reform)
- Health Disparities and Social Determinants a key function.
- Budgets impacting numbers of school nurses.
  Need to show cost effectiveness and impact.





# Scotland

- Structure of Children's health
  - Home Visitors, 0–5 years
  - District Nurse





# Coordination of Agencies

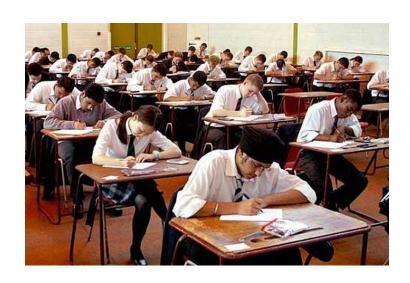
- Budget Cuts=New Model of Care
  - Coordinated forms: police, school and health
  - 0−5 years Home Visitors
  - District Nurse-Chronic Disease Specialist
  - Teacher's responsibilities





## Care Coordination

"In the new health and care system, every organisation needs to demonstrate how it can best contribute to people's health and wellbeing at every stage of life."





## **US Care Coordination**



#### RN Case Manager Antonelli, Stille, and Antonelli (2008)

- ▶ 81% reduction in ER visits
- ▶ 63% reduction in medical office visits

#### School Nurse Case Manager (Moricca, et al., 2013)

Decreased absences due to illness



# Public Health Impact

- ► School Savings (SAMHSA, 2010)
  - \$US 4.5 million –for children not repeating grades
- Return on Investment (return per \$US1 spent)
  - Prevention: \$5.60
  - Depression: \$7.00
  - Substance abuse \$4.00-\$7.00
  - Immunizations: \$9.9 million direct care
  - School Nursing: \$2.20 (low estimate)





## **Limitations**

- English only
- Not representative of each country
- Hard to compare some aspects of data
- Limited information (need for data!)





## **Future Work Needed**

- International School Nurse Survey
  - English
- Identification of key outcomes/indicators
- Visibility





# School Nurses: Eyes & Ears

"Each affects the other and the other affects the next, and the world are full of stories, but the stories are all one." M. Albom: The Five People You Meet in







# Questions



http://www.sfcapc.org



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#### Care Coordination

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#### Budget

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#### Return on Investment

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