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Nurses on the Front Line of the 2017 Kermanshah Earthquake: A Scoping Review

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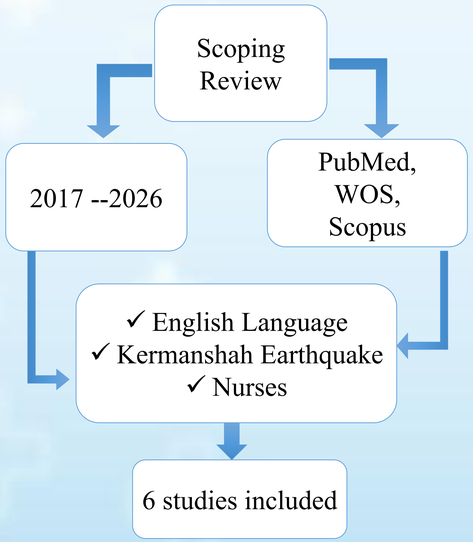
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Backgrounds

Nurses are one of the largest groups of healthcare providers and often serve as responders in earthquakes. The 2017 Kermanshah earthquake in Iran placed significant demands on nurses. This scoping review aims to describe the role of nurses in this incident.

Methods



Findings

Studies were based on interviews. Findings fell into four categories:



Overall, nurses were portrayed as committed responders whose capacity was limited by weak preparedness and organizational support.

Conclusion

Nurses play a central role in earthquake response, and their preparedness may benefit from disaster-focused education, regular drills, and organizational and psychological support.

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