

# *Message from the Editor-in-Chief*

**I**t's time to look forward to the New Year. It is the time to start fresh to keep the momentum rolling into 2018. As the surroundings continue to change, it is vital to keep an eye on the future. Let us make this year a great one by taking a look at some of the nursing trends for 2018 that will affect the healthcare background.

In the midst of an aging population and diminishing workforce, we're in desperate need for nurses. There will be a many empty post to fill in the coming years as it will be crucial to recruit and retain nurses. This new group of nurses must be more ethnically diverse and tech-savvy than the nurses previous to them, which will be an advantage for the younger group. More and more younger nurses will be in demand in 2018.

Like the majority careers, technology will play an essential role as the scenario changes for nurses. One of the major nursing trends for 2018 will be the effect of technology on the nursing industry. Nurses used technology in their place of work earlier also, but progresses will be necessary for nurses to become even more tech-savvy so as to use new tools and they have learn more about recent healthcare facilities.

Once the nurses start with healthcare facility, they will get acquainted with other high-tech devices. The implementation of electronic health records has brought about dramatic changes in the healthcare system. Data is also becoming more and more vital to healthcare facilities. They are now being used with much ease with which written and oral communications can be digitized. So the present nurses must become accustomed to these devices to keep up with the nursing trends for 2018.

The nursing profession is one of the fastest rising and most in-demand professions in the healthcare industry. So to prepare for the future, nurses much consider the present healthcare trends to plan for tomorrow's nursing workforce. The healthcare industry is always facing challenges from the ongoing changes and the nurses must familiarize themselves to address emerging needs.

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