DEMOGRAPHIC SUICIDE IN SPAIN: THE ROLE AND RESPONSIBILITIES OF NURSES AND MIDWIVES.

Protecting Family Life: Regional Perspectives

Europe

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Current situation: Europe

- Life expectancy: 80 years
- Elderly population: the population of the European Region is projected to increase only slightly by 2020 – from 894 million to 910 million.
- Index of births: 1.6 children per woman.
- Age first birth: 29-30 years
- Number of working-age people is expected to decline steadily and the number of older people to increase, leading to an increase in the old-age dependency ratio
- Abortion/ Euthanasia

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Mean age of mothers at first birth

Chart SF2.3.A: Mean age of women at the birth of the first child, 2009*


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Consequences

• Changing family structure
Current situation: Spain

Abortion: In Spain it has been estimated at 112,390 abortions in 2012. There have been around 1.7 million abortions under the law since the decriminalisation of abortion. (Law 1985)

Current abortion law 2014 – under review

Morning after pill

Young population
Life of the unborn: Devalue life
Sexual beliefs

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Current situation: Spain

Elderly population
  Increasing dependency ratio
  nursing care home
  grandparents at home
Euthanasia
Living wills (dignified death)
World health organization
Sexual and reproductive health

• to reduce morbidity and mortality and improve health during key stages of life
• to improve sexual and reproductive health and promote active and healthy ageing
• to promote health and development and prevent or reduce risk factors for health conditions associated with unsafe sex.
World health organization
Maternal and newborn health

During pregnancy
- High-quality antenatal care is essential
- Delivery complications may require immediate professional care.

Postpartum care
- Monitoring maternal and newborn health during the postpartum period is critical.
- Breastfeeding is optimal for both maternal and child health, and crucial for a healthy start in life.
- Women who remain healthy during pregnancy and after birth are more likely to stay healthy later in life.
World health organization
Healthy ageing

- Enjoy supportive, adapted social environments;
- Have access to high-quality, tailor-made, well-coordinated health and social services;
- Are supported in maintaining maximum health and functional capacity throughout their lives; and are empowered to live and die in dignity.

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Defence of life

Help to cope with and 
give meaning to suffering
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• Defence of life: Conscientious Objection
  – Euthanasia (living wills)
  – Abortion

• Education of young people

• Elderly people:
  – Caregiver Education: technical education and psychological assistance
  – Respect beliefs and wishes
  – Prepare for death

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Association “Salus infirmorum”

It was founded in 1942
The founder: Maria de Madariaga.

Casa del niño Jesus in Madrid, 1957
Salus infirmorum Cadiz
present day

European Higher Education Area (EHEA) was launched along with the Bologna Process

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Promoting healthy living habits, April 2013
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Diabetes day : March, 2013

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A flashmob: day against gender violence, May 2013
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