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HAInnovPrev - EMPOWERING NURSING HIGH EDUCATION WITH INNOVATIVE HEALTHCARE-ASSOCIATED INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL PRACTICES IN LATIN AMERICA

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- USAL – Universidad de Salamanca (Spain)
- EEAN – Universidade Federal do Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)
- UFV – Universidade Federal de Viçosa (Brazil)
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Summary:

Healthcare-associated infections (HAIs) and antimicrobial resistance (AMR) are global health problems of particular relevance in Latin America, implying high costs and significant impacts both for people and for healthcare professionals and systems. Latin America faces ongoing social and financial challenges, which were exacerbated by the COVID-19 pandemic. In this complex scenario, healthcare organizations are under constant pressure to ensure access to quality healthcare, and structured education and training in this area are crucial for the professional development of healthcare professionals. Therefore, there is a need to invest in the educational reform of nursing curricula in Latin America, promoting an integrated approach to HAI and AMR prevention and control and empowering students and future professionals to become proactive agents of change.

The main objective of the HAInnovPrev project is to improve the quality of nursing curricula and education in Latin America and contribute to the provision of safe and high-quality care. To achieve this goal, the consortium aims to create the HAInnovPrev model, an innovative pedagogical model adapted to the Latin-American countries. Its main activities will include designing, piloting, evaluating, and implementing the HAInnovPrev model. The project will directly involve at least 600 nursing students, 60 teachers, and 100 clinical practice nurses, among other relevant stakeholders.

Within this framework, the HAInnovPrev project is expected to improve the quality of nursing curricula and education in the partner higher education institutions, promote the professional development of teachers and inter-institutional collaboration, and enhance students' skills to adapt them to the needs of the job market and society, as well as promote HAI and AMR prevention and control, thus contributing to the overall improvement of safety and quality in healthcare. The project's main outputs will be the HAInnovPrev model, simulation scenarios, and e-book (with two versions). All outputs will be adapted to the cultural context of Latin America and aimed at promoting the project's sustainability.

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