Dear colleagues,

This is the first issue of the scientific and professional journal published as the result of the collaboration between the Croatian Nursing Council and the University of Applied Health Sciences. The purpose of this journal is to enable nurses to publish their scientific and professional papers.

Nursing seeks a scientific approach to nursing care. In this sense, the Croatian Nursing Council has produced documentation that is the basis for nursing research and encourages the development of other documents that direct nursing towards a more systematic approach to nursing care.

During their graduate and doctoral studies, nurses of the Republic of Croatia publish their papers in recent foreign and some domestic scientific journals. For their research in the field of nursing, nurses receive international awards. Evidence-based knowledge changes access to nursing care.

The importance of this journal for the Croatian Nursing Chamber lays in sharing the best discoveries in nursing and other related fields. Bearing in mind the number of published nursing papers in professional and scientific journals that are not available to the majority of nurses in Croatia, we would like to make such papers available to every nurse and nursing student.

We expect the Journal to be the link between theory and practice.

Therefore, I urge nurses to record, investigate, analyse and publish the results of their research in this journal which is important for the nursing profession.