# ■ A Word of Gratitude



Prof. Enaam Abou Youssef

Throughout the years, we were honored by devoted nurses who traced the history of Egyptian Nursing. One of the most distinguished outstanding international figures is "Prof. Enaam Abou Youssef". She has always been an impressive role model to those who joined the nursing schools by her scientific value and professionalism. Therefore, The Egyptian Journal of Nursing and Health Science will dedicate this edition to the story of her honorable figure.

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#### Qualifications:

**Professor Abou Youssef** graduated 1960 from the Higher Institute of Nursing, Alexandria University with the Bachelor of Science in Nursing. She was belonging to the second batch of graduates of the first University Nursing Institute in Egypt.

She was appointed as a clinical instructor in midwifery and public health nursing in 1960.

In 1963 she got her Master of Science in Nursing advanced maternity from school of nursing, university of California, Los Angeles, USA.

In 1967 she got her Doctor of Education at the Nursing Education Teacher's College, Columbia University, USA.

### Academic Appointments:

1960 to 1961 clinical instructor in Midwifery and Public Health Nursing, Alexandria University.

1967 to 1980 Assistant Professor then associate professor in Maternity and Gynecological nursing

1980 to 1981 Visiting professor of Nursing, school of Nursing, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, USA.

1980 – 1987 Professor of Maternity and Gynecological Nursing, Higher Institute of Nursing, University of Alexandria, Egypt.

## Professional Experience

#### **Administrative Appointments:**

- Twice head of department of Maternity and Gynecological Nursing, Higher Institute of nursing. Alexandria University from 1967 to 1972 and from 1982 to 1983
- Twice director of the Higher Institute of Nursing, Alexandria University 1972 to 1976 and from 1983 to 1986
- World Health Organization posts:

1987 – 1994 Regional Adviser, Nursing

1994 -1998 Regional Adviser, Nursing and Allied Health Personnel.

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1996-2000 Management of Fellowships Program

1996-2000 Qatar Desk Officer

1999-2000 Director, Health Systems and Community Development

#### Professional Activities at national level

During her tenure at the High Institute of Nursing, Dr. Abou Youssef was instrumental in developing the first master program in Egypt as well as establishing collaborative relation with the High Institute of Public Health and the School of Education at Ain Shams University for graduates of master's degree to get their doctoral qualification.

During her work at the University of Alexandria Dr. Enaam establishing strong relations with the Ministry of Health that brought about, the creation of the technical nursing program, the revision of the secondary nursing school curriculum as well as the development of national nursing strategy.

#### Professional Activities at International level

- Participated in the design, development, implementation and monitoring of the program for international training in health. This program focused on assessing the training needs in various countries in Africa and the Middle East and allocated resources to meet their needs in the areas of family health, family planning, midwifery, and primary Health Care.
- Consultant on the preparation of special teacher training program for nurses in Libya.
- Prof. Abou Youssef has been advisor to the University of Jordan to investigate the possibilities of establishing bachelor program in Nursing
- ➤ University of King Abdel Aziz, Saudi Arabia invited professor Abou Youssef as a consultant on the development and implementation of a program. University level nursing
- ➤ Because of her renowned reputation in Education, she was External Examiner, 1973, for Khartoum College of Nursing, Sudan. External Examiner, 1975 and 1976, Department of Advanced Nursing, University of Nairobi, Kenya.
- ➤ Provided consultations, needs assessment, training activities and evaluation for six years in over fifteen countries in Africa and the Middle East.

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- Expertise in training was obvious in the involvement in administration of the field offices and main offices of the African Health Training Institution Project and the Program for International Training in Health.
- For 13 years Consultant to the Regional Director of the World Health Organization for nursing, midwifery, and paramedical health workers development. Eastern Mediterranean Regional Office, to investigate the role of and women in health and development in the Region.

One can see the enormous national and international participation of *Prof. Enaam Abou Youssef* and her impact on the nursing profession nationally and internationally.

Thank you Dr. Enaam,

we really appreciate and admire your professional dedication.

We hope that the new generations who join our noble profession will be acquainted with your distinguished rich experience and will internalize the value of nursing profession through your figure.

Edited by

Prof. Zeinab Lutfi

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