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Content

The role played by primary health care clinics in the public health is important because it is in these clinics where communication and interprofessional work between doctors, nurses, psychologists, physical therapists, nutritionists, pharmacists, among others, becomes crucial since by cooperating with each other, a broad vision of the patients' health-disease status and therefore of the community's which can determine community risk factors and lines of action to treat and prevent diseases.

Universities around the world have tried to integrate this interprofessional vision in their study program, the Facultad de Medicina of the Universidad Nacional Autónoma de México (UNAM), in the framework of promoting international collaboration, has worked together since 2019 with the University of South Florida (USF) in order for their students to interact with each other and learn about the health system's functioning of both countries.

This documentary shows the result of this collaboration which culminates in the visit of a group of USF students from different degrees focused on the health sciences (public health, medicine, nursing, physiotherapy and pharmacy) at "Clínica Portales" a first level primary health care center at Mexico city.

Besides following up on their visit to the clinic, the students also relate what their experience was like, knowing not only a completely different health system, but a different culture and patient approach also. Thanks to the interprofessional approach, the different voices of the students can be appreciated, each one from their area of knowledge, which further enriches the international experience



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