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# BLACK HISTORY

rate of infant death rate

White nurses were used to help teach slaves the art of sewing, to help them  
at times them into institutions

help of the Negro nurses improve health care of Negro families in spite of  
inferior services. Segregated institutions

Ellen Woods another pioneer decided early that she would have to  
carry forth a campaign of health teaching through the churches  
she also encouraged bright young women to enter nursing

" conducted her own recruitment program

sought to get students to accept less pay than white

Miss Mary Madams died in 1910

Adah Thorne

Graduate of Lincoln Univ. provided her special opportunity for  
Negroes in Nursing. Inspired many young women to get  
more better preparation. In particular she believed  
that nursing was a bright future for young Negro women  
later Miss Mary Madams

1870s she was the first to help organize Negro Nurses  
in members of the Red Cross

1870s 1880s time when many of the nursing school  
admission could not be admitted. She was one to  
encourage them further education. She was one to  
for their nurses to be able to help the colored population.

Black History and Nursing

Historically, Black women were always considered to

be good nurses. They were untrained but they were nurses.

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1877

Elizabeth Mahony - graduated from the Women's Hosp for Nurses and Children's School of Nursing in Boston - became the first Negro to be awarded a diploma in nursing 18 yrs of nursing experience

1896 - established 1909 dissolved 1957

G. Mahony worked diligently to get other nurses to join  
Concerned with progress of women as citizens and workers  
diligently toward their goal

In 1904 G. Mahony favored not only because she had the courage  
to enter a school of nursing side by side with her white  
sisters but because she was an outstanding student and  
skilled practitioner, an exemplary citizen, and an  
outstanding worker in both her local and national  
Professional Organizations

1936 N.A. to establish Mary Mahony Award - a medal given to  
nurses who served in nursing

1957 - 1958 established and 1958 began honoring Mary Mahony  
Award for nursing service to intergroup relations

Schools of nursing established for black students at Tuskegee Institute  
First Nat. Hosp - First Black Sch. of Hosp  
Lincoln Hosp 1948  
Segregation - prejudice barrier to education

1906 - Lillian Wald, founder of Henry Street 1890

appointed Elizabeth Selver as Director of high visibility and visibility  
Director of TB among Negroes - United Negro College the high medical

1910 - 1911 - 1912

proposal to merge to White Red Assoc  
did not want Negro to lose its identity  
felt affiliation could occur to merge

Concern of issue - to raise admission standards in schools of nursing  
1910 - organization launched a campaign in cooperation with local  
and state groups to urge that graduation from HS be required  
as a qualification for admission  
2. urged closing of inadequate nurse schs

1919 - central made Julius Rosenberg fund - \$1000 for Negro Nurse  
1st went to Miss Estelle Manning (Huddle, 1890-1970)  
for advanced study

Miss Manning became 1st master graduate with a master's in  
nursing from Teachers College of Columbia



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1907 Employment oppor limited to hospitals for care of Negro patients

1908 - Martha Franklin of New Haven Conn took the initiative and became the motivating force in develop of ANCCNS

August 25, 1909 mtg held in NYC in coop of Adah B Thomas  
Pres. Lincoln Hosp. Wash DC

NOTE - A FEW NURSES WHO CAME FROM LESS QUALIFIED  
SCHOOLS were concerned they would be excluded from joining  
It was felt that these nurses were victims of discrimination they  
were organized against

Also a concerted effort would be made to improve the  
ungraduate schools or close them if efforts unsuccessful  
Licenses for such nurses in the future others wanting to  
join the association must meet the prevailing standards  
for all nurses

State registration should be prerequisite for membership  
in the future

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Review the standards established by the ANCCNS  
& work down to minimum in the near future  
develop working with League of Negro Nurses

© 1909 mtg - Review standards and identify the state registration laws  
which had been set to the standards

negotiate must meet the prevailing standards for all nurses