The Dilemma of "Foreign Born" Medical Professionals with Addiction Histories

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Physicians

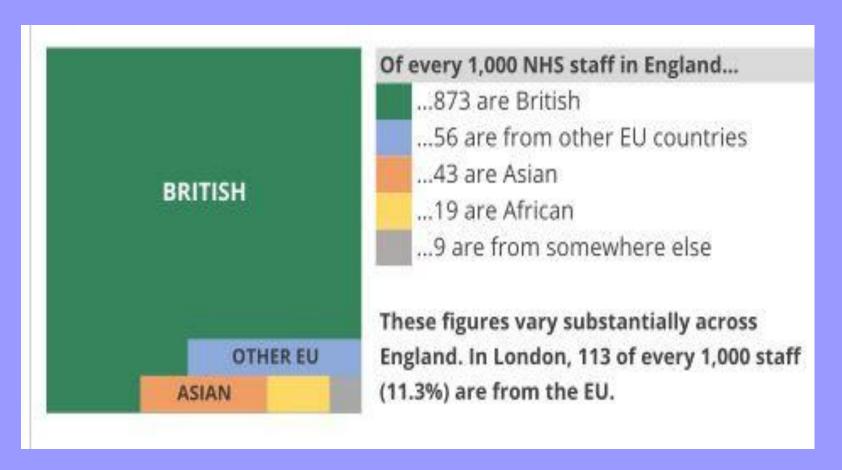
- 29% born elsewhere
- 7% not US citizens
- 25% foreign medical graduates

Dentists

- 24% born elsewhere
- 4% not US citizens

https://jamanetwork.com/journals/jama/article-abstract/2717463

United Kingdom



- https://researchbriefings.parliament.uk/ResearchBriefing/Summary/CBP-7783
- October 2018

Elsewhere

- Israel:
 - 58% foreign medical graduates
- New Zealand:
 - 40 % foreign medical graduates
- Ireland:
 - 40 % foreign medical graduates

 https://www.nytimes.com/2017/10/06/upshot/america-issurprisingly-reliant-on-foreign-medical-graduates.html

Australia

- Overseas Trained Doctors (OTDs) in 2011:
 - − **GPs** − 56% foreign born
 - Specialists 47% foreign born
 - Of the 15,168 additional medical practitioners in Australia
 between the 2006 and 2011 censuses, 10,452 (68.9%) were foreignborn, including large increases from such countries as India,
 Nepal, Philippines, and Zimbabwe.
 - Caveat: Not all foreign-born are foreign-trained
- USD\$ 1.7 B in medical education savings
- Foreign-born health workers in Australia: an analysis of census data
- https://www.ncbi.nlm.nih.gov/pmc/articles/PMC3882294/

Challenges

- Good news:
 - Help is out there
- Bad news:
 - Communication is poor
- Solution:
 - Better communication

Coordinating transition and aid

United States

- FSPHP.org
 - See links to all State programs
- IDAA.org

United Kingdom

- BDDG.org
- NHS developing PHP

Canada

- Each Province has its own programme
- See FSPHP.org also

Republic of Ireland

– https://practitionerhealth.ie/

Israel

- Work in progress
 - https://www.tau.ac.il/profil e/shaullevran
 - *Israel Center on Addiction*
 - Dr. Shaul Lev-Ran

Europe

- Network of PHPs in progress
- http://www.eaph.eu/

Thank you!!