EDITORIAL NOTE

"Education can give you a skill, but a liberal education can give you dignity" Ellen Key

Dignity is not only the gift *per se*, which everybody of us receives for granted because of we are human beings and must be dignified in regard to life as we have the right to life and living. Dignity could be perceived intrinsically as an achievement and is linked to the intrinsic dignity of every human being. This perception is prelate, but not determined by social factors (Stievano et al., 2012). The concept of *dignity* is subjective, multi-dimensional concept, which is a shared meaning among humanity. The concept of *dignity* is used in every day and professional lives as a characteristic, feature, expectation, achievement and a compulsory *status quo*.

Dignity, nevertheless it is professional, or personal merges in relationships with others in different contexts and spaces. Recognition of dignity beyond professional roles manifests the expression of humanity, embedded in persons regardless of any profession, and values, such as: respect, moral integrity, humility, working conscientiously and kindness (Stievano et al., 2012). The dignity is a right (Clark, 2010). It is a fundamental human right (Haddock, 1996). It is about feeling and/or being treated and regarded as important and valuable in relation to others. Dignity is a possession of capabilities and autonomy. It exists when an individual is capable of exerting control over his / her behaviour, surroundings and the way in which s/he is treated by others (Mairis, 1994).

After people learn about dignity, a remarkable thing happens. Everyone recognizes that we all have a deep, human desire to be treated as something of value. I believe that it is our highest common denominator. This shared desire for dignity transcends all of our differences, putting our common human identity above all else. While our uniqueness is important, history has shown us that if we don't take the next step toward recognizing our shared identity, conflicts in our workplace, our personal lives, and between nations will continue to abound (Hicks, 2013).

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