POSTGRADUATE PROSPECTUS
HEALTH AND SOCIAL SERVICES

Masters • Postgraduate Diploma • Postgraduate Certificate
POSTGRADUATE QUALIFICATIONS

WelTec and Whitireia offer you the choice of postgraduate qualifications in Nursing, Health and Social Practice:

- Master of Professional Practice
- Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Practice
- Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Practice
- Postgraduate Certificate in Nursing
- Postgraduate Certificate in Hospice Palliative Care
- Postgraduate Certificate in Perioperative Specialty Nursing
- Postgraduate Certificate in Primary Health Care Specialty Nursing
- Postgraduate Certificate in Specialty Care
- Postgraduate Diploma in Specialty Care

The nursing and professional practice suite of programmes offered by the Centre of Learning: Health and Social Services at Whitireia and WelTec provide a framework for health and social practice professionals to advance their practice, scholarship and professional capabilities. Evidence-based practice, working with diversity, interprofessional practice and leadership development are particular foci.

Our qualifications offer you the opportunity to recalibrate your thinking, advance your practice and advance your career by choosing courses that are relevant to your own professional context.

The Centre of Learning has clear Credit Recognition processes and welcomes graduates from other institutions into its postgraduate programmes.

Successful graduates may staircase into higher qualifications at Whitireia or WelTec or apply to credit their postgraduate courses or programmes toward Masters study at other providers nationally.

WHAT QUALIFICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE?

We offer a range of nursing and professional qualifications from postgraduate certificate to master’s degree. Students choose the programme that meets their professional development needs.

Postgraduate Certificate graduates will have advanced knowledge about a specialist field of enquiry or professional practice.

Postgraduate Diploma graduates will have advanced knowledge about a specialist field of enquiry or professional practice and be able to engage in rigorous analysis, critique and problem solving.

A graduate of a Master’s Degree will have advanced knowledge for a specialist field of enquiry or professional practice, will critically evaluate the literature, analyse and apply knowledge to new situations, engage in rigorous intellectual analysis and problem solving and engage in research.
WHY CHOOSE WHITIREIA - WELTEC FOR POSTGRADUATE STUDIES?
We value the skills and experience people bring to their study and offer clinically/industry focused postgraduate programmes that will build on your existing knowledge and challenge your thinking in a uniquely supportive manner. Our philosophy enables students to advance their knowledge by undertaking advanced professional study that respects the needs of the individual learner. We have a reputation for encouraging and supporting students to succeed.

The postgraduate studies team are all highly experienced educators that are well connected to national service providers and networks. They have a clear understanding of the health and social service workforce, along with the need to support critical reflection that leads to the advancement of professional practice.

Cultural safety is integral to our educational and clinical practices and promotes the student to reflect, analyse and draw on their practice reality in diverse professional and practice contexts. Critical reflection offers the opportunity for insight and advancement of professional practice. Our postgraduate programmes aspire to provide equitable opportunities for development of skill enhancement, leadership capacity and expertise, and culturally responsive practice.

BLENDED LEARNING METHODS
Programmes are delivered via blended learning, a mix of face-to-face and online delivery which provides increased flexibility so you can achieve a study/work/life blend.

STUDENT SUPPORT
We offer a range of services to meet individual learning needs. Our designated distance librarian is available to support you through your study.

CREDIT RECOGNITION
You can apply to have previous educational qualifications recognised as prior learning.

FOR MORE INFORMATION
Contact us to find out about any of our programmes, in particular entry requirements, fees or start dates. You will find all this information on our websites too.
# Professional Practice

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Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Practice

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**
- Domestic: Bachelor’s degree or equivalent experience and relevant practice in a related professional field.
- International: IELTS 7.0 Academic, with no band below 6.5; or equivalent.
- Special entry may be granted to an applicant who does not meet academic entry criteria; provided the Dean or Head of School is satisfied the applicant is capable of undertaking the programme of study.

**PROGRAMME INFORMATION**
The Postgraduate Certificate in Professional Practice is a 60 credit programme in which you choose your own electives.

**Choose 60 credits from the courses below**

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This programme will enable you to gain specialised knowledge and leadership skills to work effectively in interprofessional teams for the provision of quality services to diverse people and communities. Successful graduates may also gain credits towards Masters studies.

PROGRAMME INFORMATION
The Postgraduate Diploma in Professional Practice is a 120 credit programme in which you complete a compulsory course (Research Methods for Health and Social Practice) and a further 90 credits from the electives below.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS
- Domestic: Bachelor’s degree or equivalent experience and relevant practice in a related professional field.
- International: IELTS 7.0 Academic, with no band below 6.5; or equivalent.
- Special entry may be granted to an applicant who does not meet academic entry criteria; provided the Dean or Head of School is satisfied the applicant is capable of undertaking the programme of study.

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**Duration**: 18 months, full-time or Up to five years, part-time

**Location**: Petone, Porirua

Graduates will be capable of leading practice at an advanced level with the capability to work with diversity, be effective leaders of interprofessional teams for the provision of quality services.

## PROGRAMME INFORMATION

The Master of Professional Practice is a 180 credit, Level 9 qualification. You can choose to complete via one of two pathways: a thesis or a research project. A ‘B’ grade or above in Research Methods for Health and Social Practice is required to progress into the 90 credit Thesis.

### Research Project Pathway

- **180 credits**

  **Compulsory**
  - Level 9: Praxis Research Project 45
  - Level 8: Advancing Professional Practice 30, Research Methods for Health and Social Practice 30

  **Choose 75 credits from the courses below**
  - Clinical Topic 15
  - Diversity in Professional Practice 30
  - Governance 15
  - Information Management 15
  - Partnering with Māori in Health and Social Practice 30
  - Policy for Professional Practice 30
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  - Responsiveness to Pacific Peoples 30

### Thesis Pathway

- **180 credits**

  **Compulsory**
  - Level 9: Thesis 90
  - Level 8: Advancing Professional Practice 30, Research Methods for Health and Social Practice 30

  **Choose 30 credits from the courses below**
  - Clinical Topic 15
  - Diversity in Professional Practice 30
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  - Partnering with Māori in Health and Social Practice 30
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  - Responsiveness to Pacific Peoples 30

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**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- Domestic: Bachelor’s degree or equivalent with a B grade average at Level 7, and relevant practice in a related professional field.
- International: IELTS 7.0 Academic, with no band below 6.5, or equivalent.

- Special entry may be granted to an applicant who does not meet academic entry criteria; provided the Dean or Head of School is satisfied the applicant is capable of undertaking the programme of study.

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## Master’s Endorsements

The Master of Professional Practice may be completed with an optional endorsement in either education or leadership.

### EDUCATION ENDORSEMENT

To achieve an endorsement in education you must undertake a programme of study with a focus on applied professional practice. You must complete 75 credits from education, including the Level 8 course Professional Education Practice and either the Level 9 Thesis or Praxis Research Project with an education focus.

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Choose 75 credits at Level 8 from electives

### LEADERSHIP ENDORSEMENT

To achieve an endorsement in leadership you must undertake a programme of study that comprises a minimum of 75 credits focused on leadership, including the Level 8 course Professional Leadership Practice and either the Level 9 Thesis or Praxis Research Project with a leadership focus.

### Master of Professional Practice

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**LEVEL 9**

**PRAXIS RESEARCH PROJECT**
45 credits
Apply skills acquired during the study programme to solve a problem or problems. Learn how to plan, execute, and complete a research project by demonstrating advanced knowledge in a field of professional practice.

**THESIS**
90 credits
Learn how to plan, execute and complete an original research project in the form of a thesis by demonstrating advanced knowledge in a field of professional practice.

**LEVEL 8**

**ADVANCING PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE**
30 credits
Engage in professional dialogue in an interprofessional environment to analyse the theoretical constructs of professionalism, and provide evidence based solutions and strategies for working in complex contemporary work and service delivery environments.

**CLINICAL TOPIC**
15 credits
Develop an advanced understanding of specialist clinical practice and related issues. Demonstrate praxis by articulating the relationships between theory and clinical, including ethical considerations.

**DIVERSITY IN PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE**
30 credits
Explore cultural, individual, family, community diversity in New Zealand, from a professional practice perspective. This course explores the theory and practice of inclusion at organisational, managerial, leadership, team work group levels, supervision and consultation.

**GOVERNANCE**
15 credits
Evaluate and critically analyse the complex relationships between organisations, boards of directors and diverse stakeholders. Examine governance issues in ethical decision-making, creating and sustaining value, and the management of risks and critical events.

**INFORMATION MANAGEMENT**
15 credits
Develop a managerial perspective on the strategic use of information systems (IS) in organisations in order to manage information as a critical resource through planning, developing, implementing and evaluating information.

**PARTNERING WITH MĀORI IN HEALTH AND SOCIAL PRACTICE**
30 credits
Develop a critical understanding of professional practice frameworks when authentically partnering with Māori. This course assists you to partner effectively with Māori, whānau, hapū and iwi through an understanding of concepts and values that protect and strengthen Māori wellbeing.

**POLICY FOR PROFESSIONAL PRACTICE**
30 credits
Gain the knowledge and skills to analyse and develop policy relevant to your professional context. Critically examine relevant legislation and how it informs contemporary policy and practice.

**PROFESSIONAL LEADERSHIP PRACTICE**
30 credits
Examine your skills, knowledge and practice and the ability to lead self and others in professional, interprofessional and organisational settings. Demonstrate capability in leadership in the professional context based on contemporary theory and practice.

**RESEARCH METHODS FOR HEALTH AND SOCIAL PRACTICE**
30 credits
Explore the theoretical foundations of knowledge and research within the context of your professional practice. This course is designed to provide a practical experience of designing a research project in preparation for a Masters thesis or research project.

**SIMULATION PRACTICE**
15 credits
Examine contemporary evidence based approaches to simulation and its use in professional practice, including clinical education. Explore the pedagogy of simulation practice and strategies for its use in an interprofessional environment.

**SPECIAL TOPIC I**
15 credits
Advance your praxis in relation to a particular area of professional interest. Critically examine a chosen topic, draw conclusions and disseminate findings.

**SPECIAL TOPIC II**
30 credits
Examine a particular topic or issue related to your professional practice. Analyse the topic, including the socio-political environment, diversity, and interprofessional practice using current research, and disseminate findings in a professional forum.

**RESPONSIVENESS TO PACIFIC PEOPLES**
30 credits
Utilise conceptual frameworks to explore cultural diversity amongst Pacific Peoples. This course will assist you to work effectively and inclusively with Pacific individuals, families and communities through an understanding of concepts and values that protect and strengthen family wellbeing.

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# Specialty Programmes

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For nurses and registered nurses wanting to extend their knowledge in a clinically-focused programme. The strands are: Mental Health and Addiction Nursing (including Change of Scope) and Nursing. Taught tutorial days are supported by online learning. Graduates may also gain credits towards Masters study.

**PROGRAMME INFORMATION**

**Mental Health and Addiction Strand** (including change of scope of practice)

This programme is offered to registered nurses in their first year of practice in mental health and addiction settings or registered general or psychopeadic nurses wanting to change their scope of practice to include mental health nursing. Te Pou funding is available for nurses employed in a Ministry of Health funded mental health service for a minimum of 0.7 FTE per week.

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- **Domestic:** Registered Nurse with a current New Zealand practising certificate, Bachelor Degree or equivalent; currently employed in a relevant clinical setting. Change of scope strand must have approval from Nursing Council of New Zealand.

- **International:** IELTS 7.0 Academic, IELTS 7.0 in each band.

**Nursing Strand**

This clinically focused programme is for nurses working in any clinical setting, including medical and aged care. You will build on your existing knowledge and experience in the context of your own practice environment.

**Duration**

- 1 year – Mental Health and Change of Scope strands
- 1-2 years – Nursing strand

**Level**

8

**Start**

February

**Location**

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This course focuses on nursing clinical judgement and assessment, including physical assessment and the use of research and evidence in practice. Explore the reality of contemporary nursing practice in New Zealand, with an emphasis on critiquing evidence as the basis for quality care delivery, best practice and developing clinical leadership. You will focus your study on your own clinical setting.

**Mental Health or Change of Scope Strand**

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Explore the philosophical and theoretical underpinnings of contemporary mental health and addictions practice within New Zealand, as well as exploring the socio-political and professional issues influencing mental health and addiction, and how these issues relate to clinical practice. This course will provide you with supported entry into specialty mental health and addiction nursing, through the development of confidence and competence within the professional practice setting.
Postgraduate Certificate in Hospice Palliative Care

For nurses and registered health professionals providing palliative care (aged care, hospital, community settings or hospice), wanting to extend their knowledge in a clinically-focused programme. Taught tutorial days are supported by online learning. Graduates may also gain credits towards Masters study.

PROGRAMME INFORMATION

Explore the theory, research and practice issues necessary to provide quality palliative care in contemporary health care environments in two courses delivered online with tutorial blocks held at the Porirua campus.

Applicants may be eligible for Health Workforce New Zealand (HWNZ) funding available through District Health Board HWNZ Co-ordinators.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

• Domestic: Registered health professional with a current New Zealand practising certificate, Bachelor Degree or equivalent; and relevant clinical employment for a minimum of two days (15 hours) per week.

• International: IELTS 7.0 Academic, IELTS 7.0 in each band or equivalent.

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<td>This course provides the opportunity to examine the foundational knowledge and care delivery from a holistic framework, mindful of the physical, emotional, social, cultural and spiritual needs of the patient, family and whanau living with a terminal illness. You will explore palliative care philosophy and care delivered by the inter-professional team where the patient, family and whanau are the focus. The practice of palliative care including therapeutic interventions and treatment modalities; loss, grief and bereavement support across the lifespan; cultural attitudes to death and dying; resilience and caring for self and others are explored.</td>
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<td>This course develops praxis as you apply theory, research and critical reflection to palliative care provision across a variety of settings. Quality improvement and evidence-based practice within your own work environment will be examined against palliative care standards and policy. This course also supports you to examine your contribution to inter-professional practice and clinical leadership.</td>
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Postgraduate Certificate in Perioperative Specialty Nursing

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For registered nurses providing perioperative care in a range of settings e.g. OT, PACU, ED, ICU, medical/surgical or outpatient, wanting to extend their knowledge in a clinically-focused programme. Taught tutorial days are supported by online learning. Graduates may also gain credits towards Masters study.

**PROGRAMME INFORMATION**
The programme aims to support health professionals to advance their perioperative practice in assessment, management and service delivery characterised by high quality, evidence based nursing care for patients and their families. The integration of theory and practice advances clinical judgement, critical thinking and clinical leadership in a challenging and supportive learning environment.

The two courses are offered in Wellington and Christchurch in partnership with Medtra New Zealand Limited.

**ENTRY REQUIREMENTS**

- **Domestic:** Registered health professional with a current New Zealand practising certificate, Bachelor Degree or equivalent; and relevant clinical employment for a minimum of two days (1.5 hours) per week.
- **International:** IELTS 7.0 Academic, IELTS 7.0 in each band or equivalent.

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<td>Extend your knowledge and skills to assess and manage clinical situations in the context of increasing complexity in acute care and perioperative practice. Normal physiology, pathological processes, the impact of surgical interventions and an individual’s response, including the adaptation to chronic health issues, are explored. There is a focus on evidence-based practice as the foundation for high quality service delivery in response to patients’ clinical needs and to provide support for patients and their family/whanau. Exploring the contribution of research to practice and the use of critical reflection further develop professional expertise, competency and valid knowledge.</td>
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| HSCB402: Praxis in Perioperative Specialty Nursing | 45 |
| Demonstrate advancing practice knowledge and skill in perioperative nursing. By focusing on the perioperative period, this course is designed to extend your assessment skills for enhanced clinical judgment in recognising deviations from normal and managing complications of acute medical/surgical interventions as well as providing client centred care beyond routine practice, embracing the increasing complexity consistent with contemporary practice. The content further develops praxis through the utilisation of research, quality improvement and clinical leadership. |

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Postgraduate Certificate in Primary Health Care Specialty Nursing

For registered nurses working in community and primary health (including aged care), wanting to extend their knowledge in a clinically-focused programme. The strands are Health of the Older Adult, Population and Personal Health and Well Child/Tamariki Ora. Taught tutorial days are supported by online learning. Graduates may also gain credits towards Masters study.

PROGRAMME INFORMATION

This programme enhances your practice and supports you to gain further knowledge and skills that reflect your specialty practice area.

*The Well Child/Tamariki Ora strand is delivered in partnership with the Royal New Zealand Plunket Trust.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

• Domestic: Registered nurse with current New Zealand practising certificate, Bachelor Degree or equivalent; and relevant clinical employment for a minimum of two days (15 hrs) per week.

• International: IELTS 7.0 Academic, IELTS 7.0 in each band or equivalent.

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This course will enable you to gain an in-depth understanding of primary health care, community practice and health promotion. You will explore the theory and policy that influences service delivery, with a focus on evidence based practice, community development, population health, the application of Te Tiriti o Waitangi to primary healthcare, and health literacy.

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*Praxis in the Community Setting: There are three strands available:

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Postgraduate Certificate in Specialty Care

For registered health professionals to develop specialty knowledge, in relation to their role and the area of health they are employed in. Registered nurse with current New Zealand practising certificate, Bachelor Degree or equivalent; and relevant clinical employment for a minimum of two days (15 hrs) per week. Graduates may also gain credits towards Masters study.

PROGRAMME INFORMATION
This two course qualification offers a range of courses which allows for a programme of study that best meets your needs and reflects current and developing research-based practice in relation to health care delivery.

ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- Domestic: Registered health professional with a current New Zealand practising certificate, Bachelor Degree or equivalent; and relevant clinical employment for a minimum of three days per week.

- International: IELTS 7.0 Academic, IELTS 7.0 in each band or equivalent.

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## Postgraduate Certificate in Specialty Care

#### Level 8

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This course offers Intermediate Life Support (ILS) Paramedics (or equivalent) the opportunity to develop skills and knowledge at Advanced Life Support (ALS) Levels. The purpose is to expand your ability to relate key concepts of advanced airway care and advanced management of a range of medical conditions to pre-hospital emergency care. You will critically analyse your practice in your own clinical setting to develop the ability to provide patient care that is clinically and professionally appropriate to that setting. A strong focus of the course is on the development of clinical leadership through research and scholarship.

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# Postgraduate Diploma in Specialty Care

**Level** 8  
**Duration** 1-3 years  
**Start** February  
**Location** Please contact us

For registered health professionals wanting to extend their knowledge, advance their professional practice and develop enhanced leadership abilities to better meet the needs of populations within the Aotearoa New Zealand context. Students select one of the following endorsements:
- Pacific Health and Nursing
- Māori Health and Nursing
- Addiction
- Child/Youth Health
- Mental Health
- Nursing
- Older Adult Health
- Palliative Care
- Perioperative
- Primary Health
- Trauma and Emergency Care

## ENTRY REQUIREMENTS

- **Domestic:** Bachelor’s degree or equivalent. Pacific Health and Nursing strand: registered nurse with a current New Zealand practising certificate; three or more years registered nurse practice, employment for a minimum of three days per week and evidence of employer support.
- **International:** IELTS 7.0 Academic, IELTS 7.0 in each band or equivalent.

## Compulsory

**Level 8**

HSC8620 Clinical Leadership 1  **OR**  HSC8621 Specialty Practice

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CPD@Whitireia

CPD@Whitireia (Continuing Professional Development) offers a range of workshops, modules and short courses, including online, which allow nurses and health professionals to further develop their knowledge and skills to meet their individual continuing professional development needs.

**ONLINE**

Our online education portal offers a range of modules that use interactive assessment, audio, text, animation and video to support ongoing professional learning allowing them to be completed anytime, anywhere, at your own pace.

**COURSES ON OFFER**

- Asthma and COPD Fundamentals eLearning Series
- Professional Supervision
- Academic Skills
- Health and Aged Care
- Cultural Safety for Health Professionals
- Assessment in Clinical Learning
- Primary Mental Health Care
- Understanding Anxiety
- Understanding Mood Disorders

**BENEFITS**

- Hours of learning contributes to your required professional development hours
- Access to a wide range of topics and resources
- Offers flexibility to student to work at their own time and pace
- Modules can be accessed 24 hours a day, every day
- No additional costs for transportation, accommodation etc.

Online CPD courses are available via CPD@whitireia.ac.nz

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Workshops and Seminars

Workshops and Seminars
Whitireia offers various workshops and seminars which allow you to accumulate professional development hours. A variety of professional development activities are made available to you including all Medtra seminars, as well as physical assessment workshops.

Workforce Development
We have the expertise and experience to develop and deliver CPD courses tailored to suit the needs of your organisation.

All courses are evaluated and informed by the Kirkpatrick Model, in order to ensure that courses match the needs of participants, end-users and stakeholders.

If you are interested in undertaking a training analysis or developing online CPD courses for your organisation, please contact us.

Simulation Workshops
We offer one day workshops, at the Whitireia Porirua campus, where you can sharpen your assessment skills using our high fidelity simulation suites.

The workshops provide professional development hours to meet continuing education requirements for health professionals.

Topics include:
- Physical Assessment: Aged Care
- Physical Assessment: Mental Health and Addiction
- Physical Assessment: Primary Health Care

Medtra Seminars
Medtra are working with Whitireia in an initiative which allows you to accumulate professional development hours. There are a variety of topics with a perioperative and medical/aged care focus and full details can be found at www.medtra.co.nz or to make a booking email info@medtra.co.nz

Surgical focus (suitable for Registered Nurses and Anaesthetic Technicians)
- The Deteriorating Patient
- Fluid Balance
- The Deteriorating Patient
- Surgery and the Cardiac Compromised Patient
- Surgery and the Respiratory Compromised Patient
- Shock

Medical / Aged Care Focus (suitable for Registered Nurses)
- Diabetes
- Pain
- Sepsis

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