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Keywords Nursing, Job satisfaction, Job leaving intention, Acute care hospitals, Switzerland Aims (1) To describe nursesó job satisfaction and intention to leave their current employer; and (2) to explore the associations between nine aspects of job satisfaction (i.e., motivators and hygiene factors) and nurses' intentions to leave their current employer. Background Increasing nurse shortages and accelerating personnel turnover are global healthcare issues. Improving nursesó job satisfaction and reducing their intentions to leave are crucial to nurse workforce stability. Methods Secondary analysis of nurse survey data from the Swiss arm of the Nurse Forecasting in Europe (2009/2010) study. Associations between aspects of nursesó job satisfaction and intentions to leave were analyzed via multiple logistic

survey data from the Swiss arm of the Nurse Forecasting in Europe (2009/2010) study. Associations between aspects of nursesó job satisfaction and intentions to leave were analyzed via multiple logistic regression analyses. Results Overall, nurses reported being very satisfied with their jobs and with 'independence at work', but less satisfied with the possibility for 'study leave'. A total of 27.4% intended to leave their current jobs, with lower ratings of 'opportunities for advancement' as the most relevant factor explaining these intentions. Conclusion In view of predicted nurse shortages, Swiss acute care hospitals' might improve their success regarding nurse job satisfaction and retention by offering nursing career models with more opportunities for clinical advancement.

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