Two National Guard and three civilian nurses from North Carolina are sharing expertise this week with their Moldovan counterparts at the Ministries of Defense and Health.

The American nurses are donating their time to work with the Ministry of Defense, the Military Hospital, the College of Medicine, the Nursing Association, and Straseni Medical personnel.

The event is part of the North Carolina-Moldova State Partnership Program established in 1995 and overseen by the U.S. Embassy's Office of Defense Cooperation. The project aims to improve Moldova's healthcare system.

"By improving the capabilities of nurses, the program aims to enable doctors to treat and care for a greater number of patients and develop prevention programs," said U.S. Ambassador William H. Moser, speaking to one of the training sessions on Wednesday. "This is the program's goal, and I am sure that together we will improve the medical care in your communities," the Ambassador said.

The U.S. Army's European Command Civic Engagement Humanitarian Assistance Program provided all necessary supplies for the project. Presentations will be given at the Ministry of Defense Outpatient Clinic, the Military Hospital, the Moldova College of Medicine, and the Codreanca Medical Clinic.

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