Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC) states (n = 1241) Variable No. % Date of migration to GCC states Before 2003 506 41 Between 2003 and 2008 184 15

Table 2 Migration motivations and experiences of Jordanian nurses working in

After 2008

Moved between GCC states

For higher salary and benefits

Incentives provided on migration Relocation assistance

Salary/other financial benefits

Plan to return to Iordan to work

Experience of migration

Career advancement/professional education

Plan to return to Jordan to work in next 2 years

Highly satisfied with job and work in GCC states

Desire to travel

Future plans

526 254 1158

1061

128

671

1156

192

573

42

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93

85

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87

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Employed as nurse in Jordan before migration Reason for migration To obtain employment Personal reasons (family, marriage, other)

Career advancement opportunities

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