



# COMMONWEALTH NURSES FEDERATION

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## 20<sup>th</sup> CNF BIENNIAL CONFERENCE and GENERAL MEETING

### Nurses and midwives: meeting the challenges of the 21<sup>st</sup> century

Friday 29 and Saturday 30 April, 2011  
Radisson BLU Resort, St Julian's, Malta

The 20<sup>th</sup> CNF Biennial Conference and General Meeting will be held Friday 29 and Saturday 30 April 2011 at the Radisson BLU Resort, St Julian's, Malta <http://www.radisson.com.mt>. For information about registration, accommodation and the draft program please go to: <http://www.commonwealthnurses.org>.



The 20<sup>th</sup> CNF Biennial Conference and General Meeting is hosted by the Malta Union of Midwives and Nurses

**Time is running out to register**  
Registration is essential



### FAREWELL TO ANNA MASLIN

Many nurses across the Commonwealth will remember Anna Maslin from the UK Department of Health and Chair of the Commonwealth Steering Committee on Nursing and Midwifery.

Anna has announced her retirement as from 31 May 2011. The CNF joins Anna's many colleagues and friends to wish her a happy, healthy and enjoyable retirement and thank her for her commitment to nursing and midwifery in the Commonwealth over many years.

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'Women as Agents of Change' is the theme for Commonwealth Day 14 March 2011. To celebrate Commonwealth Day 2011, the Commonwealth is asking for nominations of women who have made a difference to the lives of others. The nominations will be judged to find the Commonwealth's most inspiring 'agents of change' who will be featured in a publication to be presented to the Queen, Commonwealth Heads of Government and Commonwealth Foreign Ministers in Perth, Australia 28-30 October 2011.

The contest ends on 14 March 2011. Nominations, rules and criteria can be made using the online form available from:

<http://www.surveymonkey.com/s/CWagentsofchange>.

## AFRICAN REGULATORY COLLABORATIVE



Chief Nursing Officers, Nursing Registrars and a representative of the National Nursing Association met together in Nairobi, Kenya 28 February to 2 March 2011 to develop strategies for enhancing nursing and midwifery regulation and practice in East, Central and Southern African countries.

The meeting was sponsored by the Commonwealth Secretariat, the US Centre for Disease Control and Prevention and Emory University Atlanta, Georgia, in collaboration with the Kenya Ministry of Health.

The aim of the meeting was to establish an innovative South to South partnership to build the capacity of Africa's nursing and midwifery regulatory bodies. Four grants of US\$10,000.00 are available for in-country proposals to strengthen nursing and midwifery regulation. Copies of the presentations and draft country proposals are available from: <http://www.commonwealthnurses.org>.



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The Royal Commonwealth Society has launched a new project to create a Commonwealth Jubilee Time Capsule. People of any age across the Commonwealth are being invited to contribute memories from the last sixty years either stories, photographs or films. The best entries - one for each of the 21,915 days which make up the last sixty years - will be sealed into the capsule and presented to the Queen as a gift from the Commonwealth family to celebrate her Jubilee celebrations in 2012. The entries not chosen for the capsule will remain online as an important resource for students, teachers, historians and academics.

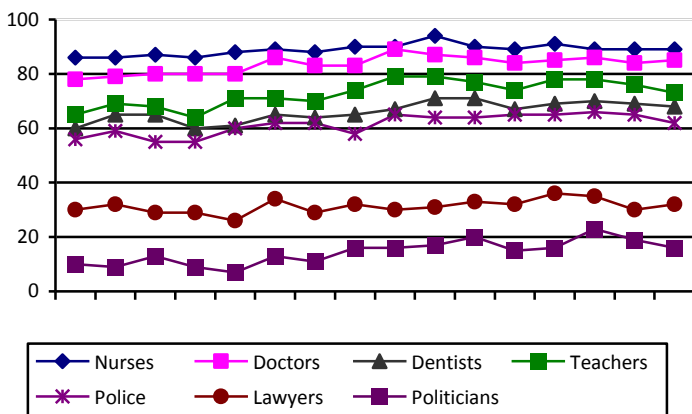
You can participate by submitting your own entry - all you need to do is pick a day that is important to you from the last sixty years and say why that day is important. For more information visit: <http://jubileetimecapsule.org>.

## RAMPHAL COMMISSION ON MIGRATION AND DEVELOPMENT

The Ramphal Commission on Migration and Development met recently in Kingston Jamaica to consider their second report which covers the effect of climate change on migration and the impact on developing countries of the migration of skilled workers. The first report of the Commission is available on the Ramphal Centre website- <http://www.ramphalcentre.org>. The second report will be released in the near future. The Commission would like to see migration as a priority issue for the Commonwealth so the positive aspects of migration can be promoted and the potentially negative aspects managed appropriately.



## CONGRATULATIONS NURSES IN AUSTRALIA



Since 1994, and for the sixteenth year in a row, ever since nurses were included in the annual Morgan *Image of Professions Survey*, nurses in Australia have topped the poll as the most ethical and honest profession. Congratulations nurses in Australia.

## CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

SANNAM BIENNIAL CONFERENCE AND AGM

16-19 NOVEMBER, 2011

Gaborone International Convention Centre Botswana

**Theme:** *Engaging communities for accelerating the achievement of the Millennium Development Goals in the SADC Region*



For more information: <http://www.sannam.org.za> or <http://www.nab.org.bw>.