



# COMMONWEALTH NURSES FEDERATION

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## SUCCESSFUL BAHAMAS WORKSHOP

The Nurses Association of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas (NACB) held a successful leadership workshop in partnership with the CNF in Nassau 18-19 November 2010. One hundred and twenty five nurses attended the workshop which was combined with a gala dinner where a number of nurses were honoured for their contribution to nursing and midwifery in the Bahamas.



## HONOUR FOR PAULETTE DRAKES

President, Barbados Nurses Association



Ms Paulette Drakes, President of the Barbados Nurses Association has received an award from the Congress of Trade Union and Staff Associations of Barbados (CTUSAB) for her contribution to union work, particularly in relation to nurses. Additionally, Paulette has been elected unopposed to the position of 3<sup>rd</sup> Vice President of CTUSAB.

Congratulations Paulette who is an energetic and tireless champion for nursing in Barbados.

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

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

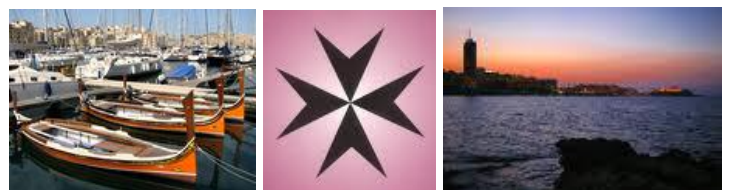
Friday 29 and Saturday 30 April, 2011  
Radisson BLU Resort, St Julian's, Malta

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>. Registration is essential. CNF members are encouraged to advise their members of the dates; to put the dates in their diaries; and start planning to attend.



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

The ICN Committee of National Representatives meeting is being held in St. Julian's Malta 2-4 May 2011 with the ICN Congress being held in Valetta Malta 2-8 May 2011.



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## POSTIVE PRACTICE ENVIRONMENTS

Meeting the information needs of health professionals

The latest fact sheet from the Positive Practice Environments campaign: *Meeting the information needs of health professionals* has been released. The fact sheet was prepared by HIFA 2015 (Health Information for All by 2015) of which the CNF is a member. The PPE Campaign is a multi-agency collaboration with its secretariat at the International Council of Nurses. The PPE Campaign aims to improve work environments, staff recruitment and retention and quality of health services through the development of positive practice environments.

For a copy of the fact sheet, go to:

[http://www.ppecampaign.org/sites/ppecampaign.org/files/images/PPE\\_FactSheet\\_Meeting\\_the\\_information\\_needs\\_HIFA2015.pdf](http://www.ppecampaign.org/sites/ppecampaign.org/files/images/PPE_FactSheet_Meeting_the_information_needs_HIFA2015.pdf).

## FREE ACCESS TO COCHRANE LIBRARY

One hundred countries now have free access to The Cochrane Library's database of systematic reviews following the decision of John Wiley and Sons and The Cochrane Collaboration to extend free access to a further 43 countries (67 countries were given free access in 2007). For health workers in low and middle income countries, access to reliable health literature is often difficult. Free access allows people in those countries to enter the Cochrane Library directly with no fee, no user name and no password. This is a very important decision by a commercial publisher and John Wiley and Sons are to be congratulated.

Go to:

<http://www.thecochranelibrary.com/view/0/index.html>.

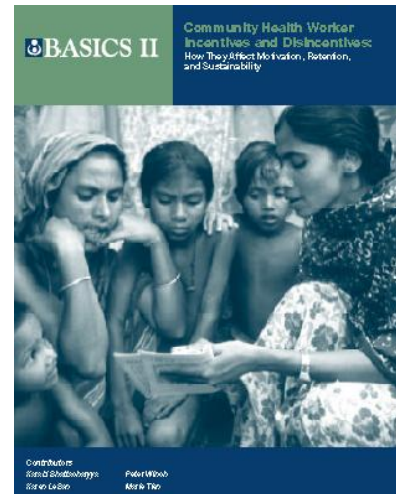
### CNF members with free access are:

Bangladesh; Cameroon; Fiji; The Gambia; Ghana; Guyana; Jamaica; Kenya; Kiribati; Lesotho; Malawi; Maldives; Mozambique; Namibia; Nauru; Nigeria; Papua New Guinea; Rwanda; St Vincent and the Grenadines; Samoa; Sierra Leone; Solomon Islands; Sri Lanka; Swaziland; Timor Leste; Tuvalu; Uganda; United Republic of Tanzania; Zambia; Zimbabwe.

For the full list of countries go to:

[http://www.dfid.gov.uk/R4D/PDF/Articles/Free\\_access\\_to\\_Cochrane\\_Library.pdf](http://www.dfid.gov.uk/R4D/PDF/Articles/Free_access_to_Cochrane_Library.pdf).

## COMMUNITY HEALTH WORKERS



Community Health Workers: Incentives and Disincentives (published by BASICS II) examines the experience of using various incentives to motivate and retain community health workers serving primarily as volunteers in developing countries and makes recommendations for more systematic use of multiple incentives. Case studies illustrate the effective use of different incentives to retain community health workers and sustain community health worker programs.

<http://www.k4health.org/sites/default/files/comm%20health%20worker%20incentives%20and%20disincentives.pdf>.

BASICS II is a global child survival project funded by the Office of Population, Health, and Nutrition of the Bureau for Global Programs, Field Support, and Research of the U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID).

## GLOBAL STRATEGY FOR WOMEN'S AND CHILDREN'S HEALTH



The Global Strategy for Women's and Children's Health was launched by the UN Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon in New York in September 2010. Go to:

[http://www.who.int/pmnch/topics/maternal/20100914\\_gs\\_wch\\_en.pdf](http://www.who.int/pmnch/topics/maternal/20100914_gs_wch_en.pdf).