WISHING YOU A SAFE, HAPPY, PEACEFUL AND PRODUCTIVE 2014

The President and Board of the Commonwealth Nurses Federation wish all our members and friends a safe, happy, peaceful and productive 2014. We especially remember our friends in South Sudan and other countries experiencing turmoil; the millions of refugees seeking sanctuary outside their home country; and the many thousands of nurses, midwives and other health workers who are providing care and comfort. We sincerely hope that the New Year brings peace and stability to our world.

CNF SAFETY WORKSHOP IN SRI LANKA

In November, the CNF in conjunction with the Sri Lanka Nurses Association (SLNA) conducted a workshop on patient safety, covering aspects of patient safety, safe workplaces, a safe profession, and a safe nurse. The workshop was conducted by the CNF Board member for the Asia Region, Dr Ramziah binti Ahmad. Sixty nurses from the SLNA attended the workshop as well as a large number of student nurses. While in Sri Lanka, Dr Ahmad represented the CNF and other Commonwealth Civil Society organisations at the opening of the Commonwealth Heads of Government meeting.

DRAFT PROGRAM NOW AVAILABLE

2nd Commonwealth Nurses Conference
8-9 March 2014

Registration is now open for the 2nd Commonwealth Nurses Conference: Nurses and midwives - agents of change to be held at the Royal College of Physicians, Regent’s Park London 8-9 March 2014. For the draft program, further information and to register go to the CNF website: http://www.commonwealthnurses.org/conference2014.

ADVANCE NOTICE

for CNF members

CNF 21st Biennial Meeting 2014

Venue: Royal College of Nursing
20 Cavendish Square London
Friday 7 March 2014
Hosted by the CNF and the RCN

Nurses and midwives: agents of change
CNF ANNUAL REPORT 2012-2013

A copy of the CNF Annual Report 2012-2013 is available on the CNF website: http://www.commonwealthnurses.org. The Annual Report covers the seven key CNF reporting areas of: governance, projects, communication, liaison, administration, finances and membership. Comments on the Annual Report are welcome and should be addressed to jill@commonwealthnurses.org.

CNF STRATEGIC PLAN 2014-2016

A draft of the CNF Strategic Plan 2014-2016 is also available for comment on the CNF website: http://www.commonwealthnurses.org. Comments addressed to jill@commonwealthnurses.org should be received by 14 February 2014 as the Strategic Plan will go to the 21st CNF Biennial Meeting of members on Friday 7 March in London for endorsement.

NURSING LEADERSHIP IN GLOBAL HEALTH

Developing pathways for effective advocacy and action

On February 27-28, 2014, Vanderbilt University is holding the Nursing Leadership in Global Health (NLGH) Symposium in Nashville, Tennessee. This meeting addresses a significant gap in global health by targeting nurses and other frontline health care workers for education and training in policy, advocacy, and leadership. For more information and to register go to: http://nlgh2014.org/

WELCOME BRUNEI DARUSSALAM

The CNF is very pleased to welcome the Brunei Darussalam Nurses Association back into membership of the CNF. The Nation of Brunei, the ‘Abode of Peace’ (known in Malay as Negara Brunei Darussalam) is a sovereign state located on the north coast of the island of Borneo in Southeast Asia. Brunei Darussalam is completely surrounded by the Malaysian state of Sarawak and is separated into two parts. The Brunei Darussalam Nurses Association is a member of the CNF Asia Region. We hope to welcome representatives of the Brunei Darussalam Nurses Association at the 21st CNF Biennial Meeting in London in March.