



COMMONWEALTH NURSES AND MIDWIVES FEDERATION

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CALL FOR ABSTRACTS 3rd Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Conference

London UK 12-13 March 2016



The 3rd Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Conference will be held in London UK 12-13 March 2016 (see conference notice on the second page of this e-News). The theme of the conference is: *Toward 2020: celebrating nursing and midwifery leadership*. The conference will showcase and celebrate the work of nursing and midwifery leaders who have followed in the footsteps of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing, the first nursing theorists, a great nursing leader and a role model for nurses and midwives everywhere. **Abstracts close 31 May 2015.** Go to: <http://www.commonwealthnurses.org/conference2016> to submit your abstract or email to: jill@commonwealthnurses.org.

NEW ZEALAND NURSES ORGANISATION CONFERENCE 2015



The New Zealand Nurses Organisation (NZNO) is the leading professional nursing association and union for the nurses in New Zealand and has over 46,000 members. This includes nurses, midwives, students, kaimahi hauora and health workers.

NZNO provides services to members on professional and employment related matters, from its national office in Wellington and seven other regional offices.

The NZNO 2015 Annual General Meeting (AGM) and Conference will be held on 15 to 16 September 2015 at Te Papa in Wellington and we anticipate around 300 nurses and members to attend. The theme of the 2015 Conference is *Nursing: shaping our health care*. Our Conference day will be open to all members and non-member nurses, health professionals, and anyone with an interest in nursing issues. Registrations are open now.

Go to: <http://www.nzno.org.nz/2015conference>

AFRICAL REGULATORY COLLABORATIVE Year 4 Summative Congress



The ARC Year 4 Summative Congress was held in Windhoek Namibia 24-26 February 2015. The ARC initiative is a four-year partnership between the USA Centers for Disease Control and Prevention in Atlanta; the Lillian Carter Center for Global Health and Social Responsibility at Emory University also in Atlanta; the East, Central and Southern Africa Health Community; and the Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Federation. Each year of the initiative, a number of countries in the east, central and southern Africa region are awarded small grants to work on projects to strengthen nursing and midwifery. In Year 4, the successful countries to receive grants are: Botswana, Ethiopia, Kenya, Lesotho, Mozambique, Rwanda, Seychelles, South Africa, Tanzania, Zambia and Zimbabwe.

ZERO TOLERANCE FOR FEMALE GENITAL MUTILATION

The 6 February marks International Day of Zero Tolerance for Female Genital Mutilation (FGM). FGM comprises all procedures that involve altering or injuring the female genitalia for non-medical reasons, and is recognized internationally as a violation of the human rights of girls and women. FGM constitutes an extreme form of discrimination against women and girls. The practice also violates their rights to health, security and physical integrity, their right to be free from torture and cruel, inhuman or degrading treatment, and their right to life when the procedure results in death. Nurses and midwives have a key role to play in educating individuals, families and communities to prevent FGM and supporting women and girls who have been a victim of FGM.

Go to: <http://www.un.org/en/events/femalegenitalmutilationday/>

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**Toward 2020:
Celebrating nursing and midwifery leadership**

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The bicentennial of the birth of Florence Nightingale.
The WHO decade for a healthy world.

Celebrating the leadership of Florence Nightingale, the founder of modern nursing, the first nursing theorist, a great nursing leader, and a role model for nurses everywhere.

Abstract guidelines

The abstracts should demonstrate outstanding and innovative nursing and midwifery leadership to individuals, families and communities in the Commonwealth in any setting where nurses and midwives provide care in the following areas:

- clinical practice
- research and innovation
- education and training
- policy and projects
- management and administration
- legislation and regulation

Abstract submission

Submit your abstracts (of no more than 300 words) to the Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Federation by 31 May 2015.

Email submission: cnf@commonwealthnurses.org

Web submission: <http://www.commonwealthnurses.org/conference2016>

The CNMF is a federation of national nursing and midwifery associations in Commonwealth countries.

The CNMF was established in 1973 and is a Commonwealth accredited civil society organisation. The purpose of the CNMF is to contribute to the improved health of citizens of the Commonwealth by fostering access to nursing education, influencing health policy, developing nursing networks and strengthening nursing leadership through in-country education and training; capacity building with standards and regulation; a bi-annual journal; a monthly e-News; a biennial conference; and representing nurses and midwives in Commonwealth forums.



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