



COMMONWEALTH NURSES FEDERATION

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CULTURE CONNECTS

Linking communicable and non-communicable disease



COMMONWEALTH PARTNERS' FORUM

Sunday 20 May : 1300-1600
Zermatt Room Starling Hotel Geneva

Join international experts is discussing cultural approaches to preventing communicable and non-communicable disease



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**Join us for a 'sit down' lunch (1300 hours) followed by
the Forum (1400-1600 hours)**



HAPPY INTERNATIONAL DAY OF THE MIDWIFE

Saturday 5 May 2012

The International Confederation of Midwives (ICM) led the celebrations for International Day of the Midwife, Saturday 5 May. The message from the ICM is that: **MIDWIVES SAVE LIVES.**



Every year over 350,000 women and over 800,000 newborns die as a result of preventable maternal causes. Each year more than 3 million babies die before they are one month old and more than 7.6 million children die before the age of 5. Every year 48 million women give birth without the support of someone with recognised midwifery skills. Millions more suffer infections and disability. Families are devastated. The ICM wants every woman to have access to a midwife's care. The evidence shows that it is the most effective way to reach the Millennium Development Goals 4 and 5 targeted at reducing maternal, neonatal and infant death worldwide. (<http://www.internationalmidwives.org/>).

HAPPY INTERNATIONAL NURSES DAY

Saturday 12 May 2012



Happy International Nurses Day to all the wonderful nurses across the Commonwealth who work so diligently and with such commitment in sometimes very difficult circumstances to provide nursing care to those who need it. IND is also an opportunity to remember the wonderful legacy left by the remarkable Florence Nightingale. To learn more, visit: <http://www.nighworld.net>.



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JUBILEE TIME CAPSULE ... closes 6 June ...



Time is running out! Let us make sure that there are plenty of stories from nurses and midwives from across the Commonwealth.

Share your story with the Queen as she celebrates her Diamond Jubilee in 2012; 60 years as Queen and 60 years as Head of the Commonwealth.

Taking part is easy: just pick a day in the last 60 years and say why it is important to you. Use photos, videos, words, songs, poems ... whatever you like. It's up to you - it's your story! Remember, it is a Commonwealth capsule, so stories must be about life in a Commonwealth country, or events that have impacted on the Commonwealth. The best stories will be given to her Majesty the Queen as part of the Diamond Jubilee celebrations in 2012.

Go to: <http://www.jubileetimecapsule.org>



SOUTH PACIFIC NURSES FORUM

16th South Pacific Nurses Forum

The future of nursing and midwifery: where are we heading?

Monday 19 - Thursday 22 November 2012
Leonda By The Yarra Hawthorn, Victoria, Australia

For more information go to: <http://www.spnf.org.au>



HESPERIAN DIGITAL COMMONS

Hesperian Health Guides are now available for free download in over 80 languages from the Hesperian website.

Books such as: *Where there is no doctor* and: *A book for midwives*, as well as other titles covering women's health, children, disabilities, dentistry, health education, HIV, and environmental health, are now available online. Hesperian Health Guides are easy to use, medically accurate, and richly illustrated. These wonderful resources can be downloaded from the Hesperian website: <http://hesperian.org/digital-commons/>.



COMMONWEALTH HEALTH MINISTERS' MEETING

Sunday 20 May 2012

Starling Geneva Hotel and Conference Centre, Switzerland
Theme: *Linking non-communicable and communicable diseases*



WORLD HEALTH ASSEMBLY

Monday 21 May to Saturday 26 May 2012
Geneva Switzerland

Start lobbying your Ministry of Health now to ensure that nurses and midwives are included as part of your country's delegation to attend the annual Commonwealth Health Ministers' meeting and the 65th World Health Assembly.

CAMEROON NURSES ASSOCIATION WEBSITE GOES LIVE

The Cameroon Nurses Association have launched their website, developed by the two Commonwealth Fellows, Tita and Clarisse. A French version of the website is also under construction. Congratulations Cameroon.

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