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## NCDs in SAMOA



The Samoa Nurses Association recently partnered with the CNF to present a workshop on: *Preventing NCDs using a primary health care approach*. The workshop was one of several being held in the South Pacific aimed at raising awareness and developing strategies to prevent non communicable diseases such as diabetes, cardiac disease and respiratory disease. Thirty senior nurses attended the workshop and developed proposals to address NCDs in their local area. The workshop was a great success. A report of the workshop will shortly be available on the CNF website. The workshop was funded by the Commonwealth Foundation.

## FIJI NURSES LOOK TO THE FUTURE



Workshop participants in Suva



Workshop participants in Labasa

## CAMEROON ELECTS NEW EXECUTIVE



Mr Nkwain (Joseph) and Ms Njini (Rose) have been re-elected as President and Secretary General of the Cameroon Nurses Association respectively at the CNA 4<sup>th</sup> Triennial Conference in Bamenda in February 2011.

Deputy President is Mrs Kechia (Asumpta) and Deputy Secretary General is Miss Bombi (Clarisse). The newly elected executive will guide the affairs of the Cameroon Nurses Association (CNA) for the next three years.

The theme for the conference was: *Achieving a sustainable workforce for the future: the Cameroon context*. Delegates formulated recommendations to be forwarded to the Ministry of Health for an improvement in nursing leadership at the central level as well as a revision of the legislation creating the Nursing Council to give the Council more autonomy.

The Fiji Nursing Association partnered with the CNF to present two workshops on leadership for young nurse leaders in Fiji. The workshops covered areas such as: leadership theories and models; advocacy and lobbying; strategic planning; and working with the media and were a combination of presentations, group work and self-reflection. Participants identified areas in nursing in Fiji which were of concern and developed strategies to address them. The workshops were funded by the Malaysian Nurses Association.

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## *Conference 2012* COMMONWEALTH NURSES FEDERATION

### Inaugural Commonwealth Nurses Conference Call for Abstracts

**Our health: our common wealth**  
Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 March 2012, The Commonwealth Club, London UK



#### Conference theme

This inaugural conference will be based around key themes and will provide an opportunity for nurses and midwives to showcase and share their contribution to improving the health and wellbeing of citizens of the Commonwealth. The conference is being held on the eve of Commonwealth Week 12–18 March 2012; so come and join the celebrations and fun on Commonwealth Day Monday 12 March 2012 and the other Commonwealth Week events.

Abstracts should address the key themes which are:

- meeting the health MDGs
- the regulation of nursing and midwifery
- using information technology to improve care
- the health effects of climate change
- developing a healthy workforce and healthy systems of work
- innovation and excellence in clinical practice

#### Abstract submission

Email your abstracts (of no more than 300 words) to the Commonwealth Nurses Federation at [cnf@commonwealthnurses.org](mailto:cnf@commonwealthnurses.org) by 31 October 2011.



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