



COMMONWEALTH NURSES FEDERATION

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COUNTDOWN TO CONFERENCE ... two weeks to go

The Inaugural Commonwealth Nurses Conference is being held 10-11 March 2012 at the Royal Commonwealth Society in London UK on the eve of Commonwealth Day, Monday 12 March and Commonwealth week.

Join us for what is going to be a great conference. There is a wonderful line-up of speakers from twenty countries across the Commonwealth including Dr Deva-Marie Beck from the Nightingale Initiative for Global Health; Dr Marla Salmon from Washington University; Dr Neil Pakenham-Walsh from HIFA 2015; Ms Christine Hancock from C3 Collaborating for Health; Dr Danny Srisankarajah from the Royal Commonwealth Society and many more. The Conference will be opened by the Commonwealth Secretary General, Mr H E Kamallesh Sharma.

CALL FOR EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST

Closing date 10 March 2012



International Day of the Midwife
May 5, 2012

The 4th Annual Virtual International Day of the Midwife is being held on 5 May 2012 for midwives and anyone else interested in childbirth. The Virtual International Day of the Midwife (VIDM) celebrates International Day of the Midwife by bringing midwives and others from across the world together using online electronic media. A variety of live online events are presented every hour for 24 hours on 5th May 2012 commencing at 10.00 New Zealand time. The organising committee are calling for Expressions of Interest to present at the VIDM eVent. This year's theme is: *Midwives save lives*. Go to: <http://internationaldayofthemidwife.wikispaces.com/> for more information and submit your EOI to: sarahstewart07@gmail.com.



Resources relating to International Day of the Midwife are available on the ICM website:

<http://www.internationalmidwives.org>

Conference 2012
COMMONWEALTH NURSES FEDERATION

Inaugural
Commonwealth Nurses Conference

Our health: our common wealth
Saturday 10 and Sunday 11 March 2012
The Commonwealth Club, 25 Northumberland Avenue, London EC2N 5AP England

Commonwealth Nurses Federation
in collaboration with
the 9th CNF European Region Conference

supported by
Royal College of Nursing

Registrations now open

The conference is being hosted by the Commonwealth Nurses Federation (CNF) and the CNF Europe Region and supported by the Royal College of Nursing UK.

For more information and for the registration form and program go to: <http://www.commonwealthnurses.org>.

JOIN HIFA 2015



HIFA2015 (Healthcare Information for All by 2015) is a global campaign and knowledge network administered by the Global Healthcare Information Network, a non-profit organisation working to improve the quality of health care in developing countries. HIFA2015 brings together more than 5000 health workers, librarians, publishers, researchers and policymakers in 2000 organisations across 158 countries worldwide, all committed to a common goal: *By 2015, every person worldwide will have access to an informed health care provider*. One-third of members are based in Africa, one-third in Europe, and one-third in the rest of the world. Together we are working for a future where people are no longer dying for lack of basic healthcare knowledge.

The CNF is a member of HIFA 2015 and benefits from the information provided and the email dialogue and discussion with other members. For further information and to join HIFA2015 go to: <http://www.hifa2015.org>. Membership is free.



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COMING EVENTS



The 19th Biennial World Council of Enterostomal Therapists Congress is being held from 19 to 23 April 2012 at the Adelaide Convention Centre, Australia. The theme of the congress is: *Weaving culture, education and technology into a brilliant blend*. The congress will bring together world class speakers in ostomy, wound management and continence management. Further details can be found at: <http://www.wceten.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>

JUBILEE TIME CAPSULE



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 tell us 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.

Let us make sure that there are plenty of stories from nurses and midwives from across the Commonwealth.

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



INTERNATIONAL NURSES' DAY Saturday 12 May

Resources available on the ICN website:

<http://www.icn.ch>



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.

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