



# THE WORLD FEDERATION OF CRITICAL CARE NURSES



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Dear \_\_\_\_\_,

As your country's liaison to the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses (WFCCN), I am writing to provide you with updates on the work of the WFCCN. Elections for officers were recently held at the WFCCN meeting held in March in Copenhagen in conjunction with the Congress of the European Federation of Critical Care Nursing Associations. The following individuals were elected to serve as WFCCN Core Committee officers: President: Ruth Kleinpell; Secretary: Maria Isabelita (Belle) C. Rogado ; Treasurer: Vedran Dumbović; and Trade & Sponsor Representative: Ged Williams. Their profiles are outlined on the WFCCN website ([www.wfccn.org](http://www.wfccn.org))

The publication "Nursing Considerations to complement the Surviving Sepsis Campaign Guidelines", authored by a WFCCN taskforce led by Professor Leanne Aitken of Australia, was published in the July 2011 issue of Critical Care Medicine. This companion guide to the Surviving Sepsis Campaign Guidelines highlights nursing care implications of the guidelines. We thank the members of the taskforce for their work on this most important resource for critical care nurses.

The results of the third worldwide review of critical care nursing organizations will be published in a forthcoming issue of International Nursing Review. The publication "Critical Care Nursing Organizations and Activities: A Third Worldwide Review" presents data from 65 responding countries, adding important information to the database of prior WFCCN surveys. Congratulations to the multiple WFCCN co-authors who contributed to this seminal work.

We are currently completing compilation of a resource list of educational websites for critical care nursing from around the world. We thank the country members who are currently testing access to the links. This resource will soon be posted on the WFCCN website.

The International Educators Interest Group, chaired by Sandra Goldsworthy of Canada, is exploring options for the development of an international critical care nursing e-learning text in collaboration with an international publisher. A subgroup of 8-10 country representatives will be formed to oversee the development of content

modules. Interested country members should submit their names to Sandra Goldsworthy at [Sandra.goldsworthy@dc-uoit.ca](mailto:Sandra.goldsworthy@dc-uoit.ca) by September 1, 2011.

We are also working on updating the WFCCN website and we are completing the 2009-2011 Accomplishment Report. As outlined on the WFCCN website, the 8th International Congress will be held in Sibenik, Croatia April 12 - 15th 2012. We look forward to seeing country members attend the Congress to help us further our mission to promote global networking for critical care nurses worldwide.

Please distribute this information to your membership. We will keep you updated on ongoing initiatives including additional opportunities for your country members' involvement.

Yours sincerely,

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President, WFCCN