

5th International Conference
Global Network of
Public Health Nurses
5th-7th March 2019
Nairobi, Kenya
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THE CONCEPT PAPER



Conference Theme
'Good Health & Well Being'
Goal 3 of UN Sustainable Goals



The Global Network of Public Health Nurses

Discussions in forming a Global Network of Public Health Nursing (GNPHN), began in 2009 at Diakonova University in Oslo at the first International Public Health Nursing conference. With the support of a grant from 'Irish Aid' the Network was formally launched in Dublin, by President Michael D. Higgins in June 2014.

The Institute of Community Nursing (ICHN) in Ireland provided a home for the network until January 2017, when the secretariat of the Network was transferred to the Institute of Health Visiting (IHV) in the UK. The Network is governed by an eleven-member International Council and its membership, now spans 29 countries (www.gnphn.com).



Teresa Obwaya, Kenya, Kari Glavin, Norway (Founder member) and Maura Connolly, Ireland, with President Michel D. Higgins at the launch of the Network in Dublin in June 2014

The aim of the network, is for a global network of, public health nurses, health visitors and community nurses, working in Public Health Nursing, to increase access to public health services across the lifespan for families, individuals and communities throughout the world.

It believes that high standards of education, research, leadership and practice for public health practitioners, are essential for equity and equality in public health nursing practice.

This sharing of knowledge across the world has been the driving force of the four previous International Public Health Nursing conferences. The conferences have taken place every 2-3 years.

The organisation is membership based and allows free membership to nurses in developing countries <http://www.gnphn.com/membership/join-the-global-network/>

The 5th International GNPHN Conference



Because of their global significance and relevance to Public Health Nursing, it was agreed to explore the contribution of Public Health Nursing to achieving Goal 3 of the UN Sustainable Goals '**Good Health & Well Being**' as a working title for the conference. <http://www.un.org/sustainabledevelopment/health/>.

The sub themes will focus on how Goal 3 targets can be applied to every aspect and every population group, for example older people's services, maternal & child, mental health, people with disabilities, health care systems and safe environments.

The conference, will be hosted by the School of Nursing Sciences, at the University of Nairobi from March 5th -7th 2019 and will be in held at the Safari Park Hotel in Nairobi.

Sessions will be held through plenary interactions, workshops, symposia and scientific sessions. The scientific committee will be representative of international researchers and universities linked to Public Health Nursing.

Preconference Programme, Monday March 4th (Optional)

- Site visits for registered delegates to health-related community projects
- Opening ceremony in the evening

Conference Programme ,Tuesday 5th – Thursday 7th March

- Full conference programme, and poster presentations
- Global Network of Public Health Nursing discussion forum.
- Gala dinner on March 6th evening (optional)

Social Programme, Friday 8th _ Sunday 10th March (Optional)

- Choice of tours including Safari Park

Participants:

The Conference welcomes international policy makers, nurse midwives, scholars, lectures and other health related partners to submit abstracts and attend the conference.

We welcome expressions of interest from health-related organizations who could become partners, contributors or sponsors of the event.

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Aims of the Conference:

- To provide delegates an opportunity to present & learn, of the evidence based health systems/services, for public health nurses on how to achieve the targets of Goal 3 of the Sustainable Goals.
- To allow delegates time to discuss and formulate plans to implement possible changes in their countries/local health systems.
- To enable networking opportunities for delegates with international colleagues
- To participate and represent public health nursing, on international health policy groups and forums.
- To promote the Global Network of Public Health Nursing

Registration Fees (TBC)

Full Conference Registration	Registration Fees in US Dollars
International Delegates (Outside Africa)	350
Delegates from Africa	280
Student Nurses (undergraduate)	150

Early Bird Discount: Register online before 1st August 2018 and get an early bird discount of USD 50. Online registration begins on 15th January 2018

The registration fee excludes, accommodation, welcome reception, gala dinner and the tours, which are all optional

Conference Planning Committee

The Global Network of Public Health Nursing are grateful to the local planning group, under the leadership of Dr Miriam Wogoro, Director of the School of Nursing Studies, at the University of Nairobi.

Key institutions that will be part of the local Planning Committee include:

- University of Nairobi Nursing Sciences
- Government of Kenya ,Ministry of Health
- African Association of Midwives (CONAMA)
- East Central & Southern Africa College of Nursing (ECSACON)
- Nursing Council of Kenya (NCK)
- Nursing Association of Kenya

Further information

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