WHO CC UTS Regional Update September 2023

Welcome to the Regional Update for September 2023 from the World Health Organization Collaborating Centre for Nursing, Midwifery and Health Development at the University of Technology Sydney (WHO CC UTS).

Throughout the Western Pacific Region's winter period, WHO CC UTS and partners have been meeting and progressing multiple key projects. The International Confederation of Midwives (ICM) Congress was held in Bali, Indonesia in June. WHO CC UTS had the privilege of joining the International Council of Nurses (ICN) Congress in Montreal, Canada in early July 2023. A Global Network of World Health Organization Collaborating Centres for Nursing and Midwifery (GNWHOCCNM) face-to-face meeting was held at the ICN and ICM Congress.

Colleagues within the Global Network have been busy drafting submissions for the latest edition of the GNWHOCCNM LINKS Magazine. The September issue includes written pieces from WHO Collaborating Centres across all regions, with a special feature on the SEARO Region. These articles are thematically aligned with the four policy priorities outlined in The WHO Global Strategic Directions for Nursing and Midwifery (2021–2025). The publication marks the second volume during the WHO CC UTS' renewed tenure as Secretariat for GNWHOCCNM.

Ongoing in-country visits to PNG as part of the Strengthening Health Workforce Education (SHWE) program have supported the updated Nursing and Community Health Worker curricula work and The Fast Track Educators Workshops. Other regional WHO CC UTS programs continue with South Pacific Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officers' Alliance (SPCNMOA), SPC and WHO with a focus on regional migration and health workforce.

This Update connects readers to relevant publications and documents from WHO CC UTS - please also visit our website for current information. You can also reach us at whocc@uts.edu.au . For information on partner organisation, South Pacific Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officers' Alliance (SPCNMOA) click here.

GNWHOCCNM LINKS Magazine

Volume 2 2023

WHO CC UTS published Volume 2 of LINKS Magazine in 2023 as newly re-elected Secretariat of the Global Network of World Health Organization Collaborating Centres for Nursing and Midwifery (GNWHOCCNM). Historically, LINKS has been a platform for all 44 WHO nursing and midwifery collaborative centres to promote the outstanding projects they are undertaking. The magazine is integral in highlighting the commitment of Global Network members to creating positive, effective, and sustainable efforts within nursing and midwifery throughout regional and global communities.

For 35 years, GNWHOCCNM has worked tirelessly to support and uplift the nursing and midwifery community through research, education, and practice. Its focus has been to facilitate enabling environments for nurses and midwives to thrive and maximise their contributions to their communities. Between 2022 and 2026, a key aim of the Network will be to progress the WHO Strategic Directions for Nursing and Midwifery Policy Priorities 2021-2025: Education, Jobs, Leadership, and Service Delivery.

LINKS magazine is published bi-annually, and the next issue is due in January 2024. To read the latest LINKS Magazine, click here.

Strengthening Health Workforce Education in Papua New Guinea

June 2023

A series of workshops and meetings for the ongoing Strengthening Health Workforce Education (SHWE) in Papua New Guinea (PNG) program were held in Port Moresby, in June 2023. WHO CC UTS, in partnership with PNG's National Department of Health (NDoH) and the Australian Government's Department of Foreign Affairs and Trade (DFAT), held two workshops with participants of the Continuing Professional Development - Health Professional Education, Fast Track Program, and attended meetings with PNG Nursing Council and the PNG Medical Board. The development of both the Diploma of General Nursing (DGN) and the Certificate for Community Health Worker (CHW) curriculums have received accreditation and endorsement from regulators. The Department of Higher Education, Research, Science and Technology (DHERST) will now review.

During the month of June 2023, the program's representatives held workshops for CHW and Nursing Educators. Educators from all 16 Schools of Nursing and Midwifery (SON) and 19 Community Health Worker (CHW) Institutes contributed to the development of subject outlines for first-year curriculum subjects, laying the foundation for a smooth implementation in 2024. Educators then reviewed areas of progress and challenges faced in the implementation of the Fast Track Program for the Bachelor of Health Professional Education. Participants evaluated assessment outcomes, aligned learning objectives with assessment criteria, and explored research-backed teaching and learning practices. Emphasis was given to competency-based assessments and the integration of student-centered learning activities into lesson plans.

A notable highlight of the Fast Track Program was the Gender-Based Violence (GBV) workshop, addressing a pressing concern in PNG. Facilitated by colleagues from La Trobe University, Victoria and the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA),

participants gained critical insights into recognising and responding to GBV. The workshop equipped healthcare professionals with the necessary skills to address this crucial issue sensitively and effectively.

To access the full update, click here.

GNWHOCCNM Meeting at the International Council of Nurses Congress

1-5 July 2023

Themed “Nurses together: a force for global health”," the ICN Congress 2023 highlighted the pivotal role of nurses in achieving Universal Health Coverage and promoting sustainable development. From the 1st - 5th of July, the congress held various workshops, aiming to inspire action, foster innovation, and build strong networks to address current and future challenges in the healthcare sector.

The Global Network of WHO Collaborating Centres for Nursing and Midwifery (GNWHOCCNM) hosted a meeting during the event, bringing together representatives from various World Health Organization (WHO) Collaborating Centres for Nursing and Midwifery and partners. The meeting focused on fostering collaboration and synergy among these Collaborating Centres and fostered discussions around strengthening the capacities of nurses and midwives, enhancing research and data collection, and the sharing of tools and resources. Prof. Michele Rumsey, Director of WHO CC UTS, the Secretariat of the GNWHOCCNM, facilitated the meeting presenting findings from interviews held with each collaborating centre earlier this year.

Both the GNWHOCCNM Meeting and the ICN Congress facilitated networking among participants, paving the way for future partnerships and collaborations. The exchange of ideas and experiences between nurses from different countries and specialties encouraged cross-cultural learning and the adoption of best practices worldwide.

Learn about the many sessions of the ICN here. For more information about the GNWHOCCNM, please access our website and the latest LINKS Magazine.

Nursing Collaboration and Education Initiatives Strengthened in Suva, Fiji

1 July 2023

Prof Di Brown's recent in-country visit to Fiji from the 24th - 28th of July, 2023, focused on fostering collaboration and advancing nursing education initiatives in the region. The primary objectives of her visit focused on strengthening collaborations between the School of Nursing at Fiji National University (FNU), WHOCCUTS, and the Faculty of Health at UTS. Prof. Brown offered insights for current and future course advancements in the School of Nursing, furthering the South Pacific Community's (SPC) partnership with WHOCCUTS, and strengthening the affiliation between the Chief Nurse and Midwifery Officer (CNMO) of Fiji and WHOCCUTS.

During her visit, Prof Di Brown, accompanied by representatives from key institutions, engaged in a series of productive discussions and meetings. Key figures present included Ms Colleen Wilson, CNMO for Fiji's Ministry of Health, Ms Deki, Technical Advisor from the WHO Country Office, Dr Silina Motofaga and Ms Silina Waqa from the SPC, Dr William May, Dean of the College of Medicine, Nursing, and Health Science at FNU, and Mr Dharmendra Naidu, Head of the School of Nursing. A prominent highlight was the partnership between the CNMO of Fiji, Ms Colleen Wilson, and WHOCCUTS, addressing nursing workforce challenges exacerbated by mass migration. Discussions aimed to create strategies for nurse retention and implement the Specialisation Framework ratified in 2019.

The trip concluded with several actionable steps aimed at the continual development of postgraduate nursing programs, finalising the MOU between WHOCC UTS and FNU, supporting the migration review, and the development of short courses. Prof Di Brown's visit marks a significant step in the continual development of nursing education standards and workforce retention efforts in Fiji and the broader Pacific region.

Global midwifery leaders meet with Chief Nursing Officer Dr. Amelia Latu Afuhaamango Tuipulotu at the 33rd Triennial ICM Congress in Bali

23 June 2023

WHO CC UTS actively participated at the prestigious 33rd International Confederation of Midwives (ICM) Triennial Congress held in Bali, Indonesia from June 11-14, 2023. The congress, themed "Together again: from evidence to reality," brought together an array of distinguished midwifery leaders, enthusiastic young minds, and participants from across the globe to celebrate midwifery's vital role in improving maternal and newborn health.

WHO CC UTS was represented by a team of eminent midwives, showcasing their dedication and commitment to advancing the field. Dr. Vanessa Scarf, Dr. Loretta Musgrave, Dr. Heike Roth, Associate Professor Christine Catling, and Professor Kathleen Baird showcased their pioneering work, shedding light on evidence-based practices and groundbreaking research in the midwifery domain.

The Global Network of Midwifery coordinated a meeting with Professor Kathleen Baird, the newly appointed WHO Chief Nurse, Dr. Amelia Latu Afuhaamango

Tuipulotu. This meeting proved instrumental in opening the doors for potential collaborations and discussions on strategic priorities for the Midwifery Network.

International Nurses Day in Vanuatu

12 May 2023

The "*Our Nurses. Our Future.*" campaign for 2023 seeks to move nurses from invisible to invaluable in the eyes of policy makers, the public, and all those who make decisions affecting the delivery and financing of health care.

"It is about investing in our nurse leaders of tomorrow"
– Harriet Sam, Principal Nursing Officer of Vanuatu

Prof. Michele Rumsey, marched alongside the community of nurses and midwives in Vanuatu, advocating for government investment in health workforce capacity building. Nurses and midwives in Vanuatu hold a significant place within their local community, occupying most of the health workforce.

International Nurses Day recognises nurses in all they do for the community and celebrates 'the ones who have been on the front lines, serving our people' – Harriet Sam, Principal Nursing Officer of Vanuatu

The WHOCC UTS continues work~~s~~ to strengthen the healthcare workforce in Vanuatu, providing technical support for the development and implementation of accreditation

capacity building. Working closely with staff from the Vanuatu College of Nursing Education (VCNE), WHOCC UTS provided technical support in the development of the national nursing curriculum in Vanuatu. WHOCC worked with DFAT and VCNE in this development, resulting in the first Bachelor of Nursing course in Vanuatu.

To read more on the First Bachelor of Nursing students in Vanuatu, click here.

Human Resources for Health Update

31 August 2023

Colleague of the centre Adjunct Professor James Buchan has been appointed to the Strategy Steering Committee (SSC) which has been set up by the Commonwealth to develop Australia's first National Nursing Workforce Strategy. The Strategy will address workforce challenges and support a capable, resilient nursing profession delivering person-centred, evidence-based, compassionate care to Australian communities across all sectors. Additionally, it will provide a national-level strategic approach to nursing policy, planning and investment, and includes stakeholders from States and Territories. Learn more about the strategy here.

Further to this, Adjunct Professor James Buchan has been appointed as an Honorary Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing (AAN) for his sustained contributions to health care and the nursing profession, shaping international discussion around solving the challenges facing the global health system and the nursing profession. Access the AAN's press release here.

WHO holds the Tenth Global Forum for Government Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officers

6 June 2023

On 6th-7th June 2023, WHO hosted a virtual convening of the biennial Global Forum for Government Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officers. The focus of the meeting was threefold: progressing leadership for enhanced governance and management of national nursing and midwifery workforces, assessing progress on the Global Strategic Directions for Nursing and Midwifery 2021-2025, and discussing priorities for the next State of the World's Nursing report, planned for 2025.

Global Chief Nursing and Midwifery officers from 129 Member States participated in the meeting and shared achievements in the areas of education, jobs, leadership, and service delivery, along with areas for continued efforts to advance the Global Strategic Directions for Nursing and Midwifery in their country contexts. For the next State of the World's Nursing report, participants identified the areas of nursing shortages, retention, working conditions, and education as the highest priorities. The global indicators for each priority area w ere presented, and discussion focused on how to drive the reporting process in their countries using the National Health Workforce accounts platform.

Download the Nursing and Midwifery Global Community of Practice App

The Community of Practice (COP) Mobile App has all the functionality of the desktop version of the platform available on a mobile phone or tablet. It allows you to receive notifications of activity and gives you the ability to respond on the move, just like any other app.

The GNWHOCCNM COP is accessible within the Nursing and Midwifery, to sign up click here. Download the Nursing and Midwifery Global COP App on Google Play or on the Apple Store.

Mahidol University Delegation of Nursing Academics Visits UTS

27 April 2023

On the 3rd of April, UTS welcomed a delegation of nursing academics and professionals from Mahidol University, Thailand. WHO CC UTS formally hosted the delegation, celebrating a working relationship in the co-chairing of the Executive Committee for the GNWHOCCNM.

A student exchange program between UTS and Mahidol University has allowed students to study abroad at the respective universities. This visit facilitated the continual working relationship between the two universities and has provided the opportunity to formalise an institutional partnership. Mahidol University has been instrumental in the management of the GNWHOCCNM and its publications.

To read more on the delegation's visit, click here.

Upcoming Events

World Patient Safety Day

17 September 2023

Unsafe medication practices and medication errors are a leading cause of avoidable harm in health care across the world. Medication errors occur when weak medication systems, and human factors such as fatigue, poor environmental conditions or staff shortages, affect prescribing, transcribing, dispensing, administration and monitoring practices. These errors can result in severe patient harm, disability and even death.

Acknowledging this substantial burden and recognising the complexity of medication-related harm prevention and reduction, the theme of World Patient Safety Day 2022 is "Medication Safety". The theme builds on the ongoing efforts of the WHO Global Patient Safety Challenge: Medication Without Harm, which calls on all stakeholders to prioritize medication safety and address areas where most harm occurs: high-risk situations, transitions of care, and polypharmacy.

Call to action: Know. Check. Ask.

Know your medication.
Check you have the right:

- patient
- medicine
- route
- dose
- time

Ask your patient if they understand.

ICN has recently launched a new online learning platform in this area and one of the first modules is on Patient Safety. With support from WHO and using Nursing experts from around the world ICN have created a free to access module focusing on the prevention, reduction, reporting and analysis of errors and the relationship between health workers and patient safety. Further details on the ICN online learning platform can be found here.

For further details visit the WHO Patient Safety Campaign page here.

8th Meeting of the Strategic and Technical Advisory Group of Experts (STAGE) for Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health and Nutrition (MNCAHN)

14-16 November 2023

The Strategic and Technical Advisory Group of Experts (STAGE) for Maternal, Newborn, Child, Adolescent Health and Nutrition (MNCAHN) which advises the Director-General of WHO, marked its first anniversary in April 2021 as it concluded its third virtual meeting. STAGE has 31 members from all WHO regions and includes the key discipline groups that focus on MNCAHN. STAGE is an independent advisory group that takes a critical look at initiatives and programs at WHO related to MNCHAN. STAGE provides an opportunity to monitor progress, connect agendas and groups and is a space to facilitate synergies across WHO departments, as well as with other United Nations (UN) agencies.

Access the STAGE Handbook on Maternal, Newborn, Child, Adolescent Health & Nutrition click here. To keep up with the 8th meeting agenda and meeting report, click here.

Launch of the Global Research Nurses Pump-priming Grants 2023: Research Project Award

30 September 2023

Applications Open for Global Research Nurses Pump-priming Grants 2023: Research Project Award to fund nursing and midwifery-led research projects in low- and middle-income countries

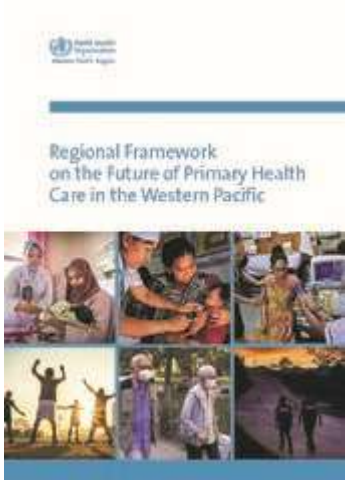
We are very pleased that Global Research Nurses and The Global Health Network are offering £30,000 in small pump-priming grants ranging from £2,000 to £10,000 for nursing and midwifery-led research projects in low- and middle-income countries. These pump-priming grants are intended to cover the costs of conducting small new research projects, such as proof-of-principle studies, and aim to empower nurses and midwives to assume research leadership positions within their institutions and communities. Funds for the scheme are limited and will be awarded competitively. Global Research Nurses is a programme funded by the Burdett Trust for Nursing. Apply before midnight (BST) 30 September 2023 for a chance to be awarded funding for your project.

Click here to learn more about this exciting opportunity.

Recent Reports

Regional framework on the future of primary health care in the Western Pacific

4 July 2023



Regional Framework on the Future of Primary Health Care (PHC) was adopted by Member States at the seventy-third session of the Regional Committee for the Western Pacific in 2022. The framework outlines five key attributes of PHC including people and community-centered, continuous, high-quality and equitable, integrated, and innovative. It highlights five strategic areas of actions needed which pivot around models of service delivery, individual and community empowerment, workforce and provider base, financing, enabling and supportive environment to enable this transformation. It calls on critical health system transformation for the future to achieve Universal Health Coverage and Sustainable Development Goals.
Access the full report here.

Health and economic impacts of antimicrobial resistance in the Western Pacific Region, 2020–2030

13 June 2023

Antimicrobial resistance (AMR) is projected to cause substantial morbidity and mortality in the World Health Organization (WHO) Western Pacific Region over the next decade, at significant economic cost. By endangering people's health, AMR poses a threat to health security and has implications for overall development, particularly in Member States that are more vulnerable to the impacts of AMR.

The study, conducted by the WHO Collaborating Centre for Infectious Disease Epidemiology and Control at The University of Hong Kong, is the first to quantify the health and economic impacts of AMR for seven priorities bacteria in the Western Pacific Region, as well as model the future spread and cost implications of AMR from 2020 to 2030. In the context of this study, AMR refers to antibiotic resistance, that is resistance to medicines which treat bacterial infections. Access the full report here.

Useful Resources

Basic Psychological Skills: An Online Training for COVID-19 Responders

A new free online course on Basic Psychosocial Skills has been made available through the WHO CC UTS. The Basic Psychosocial Skills online training is a FREE program for those affected by the pandemic designed to build resilience and mental health wellbeing for first responders and frontline health staff.

The FREE online course:

1. Focuses on personal well-being
2. Explores supportive communication in everyday interactions
3. Provides a practical framework to enable first responders to support others to problem solve and make healthy decisions
4. Examines how to recognise emotional patterns and provide support to individuals.
5. Provides a certificate on completion

View a detailed video on how to sign up: https://youtu.be/-Cguw2SCHOQ
Enrol for this FREE online course: http://open.uts.edu.au/COVID-19-responders-en.aspx
Read instructions on how to sign up: https://bit.ly/3bEJGkx
Read more about the basic psychosocial skills course: https://bit.ly/3sgZpf7

Participants will need an email account to register and log in for the online course.

For more information and full Power Point https://bit.ly/3cZCGy2
with facilitation notes, please contact michele.rumsey@uts.edu.au

FAQs

How many resources are provided in the Basic Psychosocial Skills training program?
The program provides 3 resources. Guidance report, short online course and presentation with facilitation notes.

How many languages is the guidance offered in?
While the online course is only in English, the guidance report is provided in 28 languages.

Is the online course time-bound?
No. The online course is self-paced and takes an average of 3 hours to complete with a short quiz and a certificate awarded.

WHO Quality Toolkit

On the 20th of June 2022, the new WHO Quality Toolkit was launched by the WHO Global Learning Laboratory via webinar.

The WHO Quality Toolkit is a new online resource that provides tools to improve the quality of health services at a national, subnational, facility and community level. It provides a structured, system-based approach to identifying applicable materials needed for a specific context.

The Toolkit accompanies the WHO Quality Health Services: a planning guide, which has provided a roadmap for taking action within healthcare systems. The system incorporates key WHO-published tools and materials and is updated periodically to reflect new information to improving the quality of health services. It is meant to be a user-friendly, practical tool for all healthcare workers.

To access the WHO Quality Toolkit, please click here.
To watch the webinar recording, please click here.

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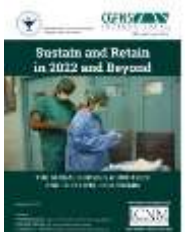

CGFNS: Sustain and Retain in 2022 and Beyond

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Ageing Well? Policies to support older nurses at work

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COVID-19 Educational Resources

Home Isolation Guide	**Home Isolation Guide**	**Home Isolation Guide**
Home Quarantine Guide	**Home Quarantine Guide**	**Home Quarantine Guide**
New SPC videos on putting on and removing PPE	**New SPC videos on putting on and removing PPE**	**New SPC videos on putting on and removing PPE**

WHO HQ - Daily Press Brief on COVID -19	WHO HQ - Daily Press Brief on COVID -19	WHO HQ - Daily Press Brief on COVID -19
WHO guidance on practical considerations and recommendations for religious leaders and faith-based communities	WHO guidance on practical considerations and recommendations for religious leaders and faith-based communities	WHO guidance on practical considerations and recommendations for religious leaders and faith-based communities
Covid-19 Dashboard - Johns Hopkins University	Covid-19 Dashboard - Johns Hopkins University	Covid-19 Dashboard - Johns Hopkins University
The Covid-19 E-Learning Platform (CoHELP)-Free COVID-19 Training for Health Workers in PNG – (studyinpng.com)	The Covid-19 E-Learning Platform (CoHELP)-Free COVID-19 Training for Health Workers in PNG – (studyinpng.com)	The Covid-19 E-Learning Platform (CoHELP)-Free COVID-19 Training for Health Workers in PNG – (studyinpng.com)

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17 September – WHO World Patient Safety Day
20 September – UN General Assembly High-Level Meetings on Health 2023
28 September – WHO TUFH Symposium: 18 Months on from the WHO Global Competency and Outcomes Framework for UHC, Implementation of Competency-Based Education
14-16 November – 8th Meeting of the Strategic and Technical Advisory Group of Experts (STAGE) for Maternal, Newborn, Child and Adolescent Health and Nutrition (MNCAHN)
18-24 November – World Antimicrobial Resistance Week 2023
30 November- 12 December – COP28 Health Pavilion

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