

WFCCN Receives Status with United Nations

The WFCCN applied for and received affiliation as a Non-Governmental Organization (NGO) with the United Nations (U.N.). This U.N. association demonstrates WFCCN's commitment to the Charter of the U.N., which seeks to achieve international cooperation toward solving humanitarian and health issues. This designation provides WFCCN with the right to appoint a representative to participate in U.N. meetings or in those of the committees and conferences convened under its authority. WFCCN has also applied for consultancy status with the U.N., which required the completion of an extensive application which will be reviewed and voted upon in 2014. Consultancy status with the U.N. would enable WFCCN the rights to consulting and collaborating with the U.N. on issues and processes related to improving world health.

New Sepsis Guidelines Published

A revised and updated edition of "Surviving Sepsis Campaign: International Guidelines for Management of Severe Sepsis and Septic Shock: 2012" were published in the February 2013 issue journals of *Critical Care Medicine* and *Intensive Care Medicine*. Thirty international professional organizations supported the content of the new guidelines including the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses, which had 2 representatives among the members of the guideline revision taskforce. An open access copy of the article can be found at the link below:

<http://www.sccm.org/Documents/SSC-Guidelines.pdf>



Surviving Sepsis Campaign Guideline Taskforce Meeting held in 2012 in Chicago Illinois USA. WFCCN is represented by President Ruth Kleinpell, 2nd from right.

The WFCCN supported manuscript "Implications of the New International Sepsis Guidelines for Nursing Care" by Ruth Kleinpell, Leanne Aitken and Christa Schorr has been published in the American Journal of Critical Care. The publisher has kindly given permission to have access to this paper and it can be obtained at <http://ajcc.aacnjournals.org/content/22/3/212.full>.

It can also be obtained from your library using this reference:

Kleinpell R, Aitken L, Schorr, CA. Implications of the New International Sepsis Guidelines for Nursing Care American Journal of Critical Care 2013;22:212-222

[WFCCN is Co-Sponsor for the 2013 World Congress, 28 August - 1 September 2013, Durban South Africa](#)

Call for Abstracts - REMINDER: Invitation to submit

The Scientific Programme Committee of the 11th Congress of the World Federation of Societies of Intensive and Critical Care Medicine invites the submission of abstracts describing original work or case reports from any field of critical care by May 21, 2013. For further information, visit the World Congress website: www.criticalcare2013.com/

Your attendance at the World Congress is encouraged as the Annual WFCCN Full Council Meeting will be held during the Congress. We hope to have a quorum this year since the 2013 -2015 Core Member election will be part of the major agenda for the meeting.

[WFCCN Country Member Recognition](#)

Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses

Chinese Nursing Association

Danish Association of Critical Care Nurses

Norwegian Association of Critical Care Nurses

Society of Critical Care Medicine, Nursing Section

Taiwan Association of Critical Care Nurses

Turkish Society of Critical Care Nurses

- A special "Thank You" to the above mentioned country members of WFCCN who have provided a voluntary contribution or a pledge to contribute to WFCCN. As the work of WFCCN is dependent on the support of the country members, contributions are most appreciated. Country members who would like to pledge a contribution are asked to contact the Secretariat Maria Isabelita (Belle) C. Rogado at m.isabelita@wfccn.org

[Country Member Profiles: We'd like to highlight your country organization in the next WFCCN E-News!](#)

Email WFCCN Secretariat at m.isabelita@wfccn.org with your news brief and photo!

WFCCN Representation at Recent Meetings:



Society of Critical Care Medicine, San Juan Puerto Rico, January 19, 2013. WFCCN President Ruth Kleinpell (5th from left) and Halima Karaba, WFCCN country member representative from the Nigerian Critical Care Nursing Association (6th from left) attended the workshop on managing sepsis in resource limited countries to provide nursing perspectives



WFCCN President Ruth Kleinpell (far right) represented WFCCN at the World Federation of Societies of Intensive and Critical Care Medicine in Cusco Peru 26-28 September, 2012, in addition to presenting at the CURSO INTERNACIONAL MEDICINA INTENSIVA, sponsored by the Peruvian Intensive Medicine Society (SOPEMI) and the Chapter of Intensive Medicine Nurses.