Nursing Around the World: AAOHN’s Invitation

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• Who we are: Organization of some 5,500 licensed professional nurses dedicated to advancing and maximizing the health, safety and productivity of domestic and global workforces by providing education, research, public policy and practice resources for occupational and environmental health nurses.

• Welcome: Catherine Pepler, AAOHN President
AAOHN Mission

Advance the profession of occupational and environmental health nursing through five pillars:

– Education and research
– Professional practice/ethics
– Communications
– Governmental issues
– Alliances
2011 International Summit

• April 2011 – Global Summit
• Title: Occupational Health Nurses Contributions to a Healthy Workforce
• 117 participants from around the globe attended with 14 presentations
• Join us at our next Global Summit
  May 3-5-Global Summit
  May 5-8-National Conference
  Dallas, Texas
International Committee

• May 2010 International Committee established.
• Dedicated to:
  – Developing partnerships with other international occupational health organizations
  – Expanding our international membership base
  – Understanding occupational health practice worldwide
  – Fostering open discussion about trends in occupational health nursing around the world
Committee Goals

- The AAOHN Board of Directors set a number of short and long term goals for this Committee, including:
  - Identifying global health and safety trends
  - Developing global nursing products for members with international responsibilities
  - Developing products, tools and education to build skills in the international arena
  - Developing a category for international membership
2010 Work

• Short Term Goal: Develop an International Resource Listing for South Africa, Western Europe, Asia Pacific and South America

• Long Term Goal: Develop International Membership Recommendations
Country Listing Tool

The International Committee announced in March 2011 the first international tool that is now available on the AAOHN website for our members. The tool is an international resource listing that outlines the following:

• Basic nursing education by country
• Training offered beyond graduation
• Country-specific OHN training
• Country-specific OHN certification
International Membership

• AAOHN International Committee proposed a new category of International AAOHN membership
• Value of membership:
  – Global perspectives in the field of Occupational Health Nursing
  – International networking and sharing of best practices, standards and resources
  – Access to AAOHN National Conference and Webinars
• Open to all nurses not located in the US, Canada or US Territories
• Dues would be $60 on a revolving 12 month basis, with conference attendance fees the same as that for students and retirees
• Membership benefits would include:
  Committee Participation; Online Journals; Electronic Newsletter; Networking; Employment Information; Practice Standards; Advisories; International Resource Listing; Access to AAOHN National Conference and Webinars
• Will be introduced to membership for approval in the Fall of 2012
2011 and Beyond-
Continuing Committee Activities

Review of current activities
– Trip to FOHNEU
  • 5th Annual FOHNEU Congress
  • Tarragona, Spain
  • September 19-21, 2012
– Vendor List
– Alliance of
  Occupational
  Health Nursing
  Associations (AOHNA)