



## President's Report, Durban World Congress, 29-30 September, 2013

The World Federation of Critical Care Nurses (WFCCN) has had a productive year since the 2012 WFCCN meeting in Sibinek Croatia

### WFCCN Received Status with United Nations

1. Submitted the application for WFCCN to the UN to receive 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.
2. Submitted an application 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

3. Served on the "Surviving Sepsis Campaign: International Guidelines for Management of Severe Sepsis and Septic Shock: 2012" 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. Requested and received permission to post an open access copy of the article on website
4. Worked with 2 other taskforce members to author the manuscript "Implications of the New International Sepsis Guidelines for Nursing Care" by Ruth Kleinpell, Leanne Aitken and Christa Schorr published in the American Journal of Critical Care. Requested and received permission to post an open access copy of the article on the website.
5. Published article :Updates in sepsis management: new guidelines for sepsis care.  
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### WFCCN President's Representation at Recent Meetings:

6. Represented WFCCN at the Surviving Sepsis Campaign Guideline Taskforce Meeting held in 2012 in Chicago Illinois USA.

7. Represented WFCCN at the Society of Critical Care Medicine, San Juan Puerto Rico, January 19, 2013 at a workshop on managing sepsis in resource limited countries to provide nursing perspectives. A follow up meeting will be held during the Durban World Congress.

8. 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.

9. Submitted formal proposal to Springer Publishing for [e-learning module project](#) – Sandra Goldsworthy to report

10. [Created the first E-news in May, 2013](#)

11. [Petitioned WFSICCM for designated nursing seat on Council](#). “Non-voting observer” status – created SBAR petition for review at General Assembly in Durban:

12. [Established bank account](#) with Chase Bank for WFCCN

13. Held Core Calls: January 3, February 13, April 30, June 12, August 5, 2013

14. Worked on program planning committee to assist in the development of the nursing program for Durban Congress; review of abstracts; preparing WFCCN welcome for Congress booklet's, participation in WFSICCM meetings