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13th CNMF Europe Region Conference

8-9 March 2019

St Paul's Bay Malta

The 13th CNMF Europe Region Conference will be held 8-9 March 2019 in beautiful Malta hosted by the Malta Midwives and Nurses Union (MUMN). The Conference is open to all CNMF members and friends. Further information, 'Call for Abstracts' and registration details will be available on the MUMN website: <http://mumn.org>.



ECSACON CONFERENCE

3-7 September 2018 Nairobi Kenya



The 6th Quadrennial General Meeting and the 13th Scientific Conference of the East, Central and Southern Africa College of Nursing (ECSACON) will be held 3-7 September 2018 at the Safari Park Hotel, Nairobi, Kenya. The theme for the conference is: *Nurses and Midwives responding to global agenda on sustainable development goals and universal health coverage*. For more information go to: <http://ecsahc.org/news/1454/>.

5th Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Conference

SAVE THE DATE

The CNMF Board have confirmed that the 5th Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Conference will be held Friday 6th and Saturday 7th March 2020 in London, United Kingdom.

There were a number of requests at the 4th Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Conference held this year to have the conference on a Friday and Saturday rather than a Saturday and Sunday so the Board have decided to do that for the conference in 2020. The conference will again be held at the Royal College of Physicians, Regent's Park London.

The 'Call for Abstracts' will be available 1 October this year.

24th CNMF Biennial Meeting of Members

The 24th CNMF Biennial Meeting of Members will be held the day before the conference on Thursday 5th March 2020 in London, United Kingdom. The Biennial Meeting of Members is held biennially and is the decision making body of the CNMF. At the 23rd CNMF Biennial Meeting, three policy statements were endorsed:

- Career structures for nurses and midwives.
- Nursing and midwifery work.
- Professional and industrial representation for nurses and midwives.

These policy statements are available on the CNMF website: <http://www.commonwealthnurses.org>. Members are welcome to adapt them for their own use. Two further policy statements are open for discussion:

- The relationship between nursing and midwifery: how is education and practice linked across the Commonwealth?
- Continuing professional development for nurses and midwives: what is the status of CPD across the Commonwealth?

These statements will be presented to the 24th CNMF Biennial Meeting for endorsement. Please forward comments to: cnf@commonwealthnurses.org.



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Meet the CNMF Board

At the 23rd CNMF Biennial Meeting of Members held at the Royal College of Nursing London on Friday 9 March 2018, elections were held for CNMF President, Deputy President, and CNMF Board Members for the West Africa; East, Central and Southern Africa; Atlantic; and Asia Regions.

The newly elected or re-elected Board Members term of office is from the close of the Biennial Meeting of Members 2018 to the close of the Biennial Meeting of Members 2022. The term of office for Board Members for the Pacific and Europe Regions finishes at the close of the Biennial Meeting of Members 2020.



Professor Kathleen McCourt from the United Kingdom was elected President and Mrs Rosemarie Josey from the Bahamas was elected as Vice President.



Ms Annie Butler from Australia continues as the CNMF Board Member for the Pacific Region and Mr George Saliba from Malta continues as the CNMF Board Member for the Europe Region.



Mr Paul Magesa Mashauri from Tanzania was re-elected as the CNMF Board Member for the East, Central and Southern Africa Region; and Ms Hossinatu Mary Kanu from Sierra Leone was re-elected as CNMF Board Member for the West Africa Region.



Jill Iliffe has been CNMF Executive Secretary since April 2008 and Mr Brian Christopher has been CNMF Honorary Treasurer since January 2017.



Mrs Bettyann Murray-John from Trinidad and Tobago is the new CNMF Board Member for the Atlantic Region and Ms Evelyn Kannan from India is the new CNMF Board Member for the Asia Region.

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