

# WFCCN Newsletter

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## WFCCN Joins WHO HINARI project

WFCCN joined the World Health Organizations (WHO)'s HINARI initiative, which provides low-, and middle- income countries access to biomedical and health literature. The WHO, under their Research4Life initiative started the HINARI programme in 2002 to enable low and middle income countries access to high quality medical literature and training material at no or deeply discounted cost.

Up to 13,000 journals (in 30 different languages), up to 28,800 e-books, up to 70 other information resources are now available to health institutions in more than 100 countries, areas and territories benefiting many healthcare providers, and in turn,

contributing to improve world health.

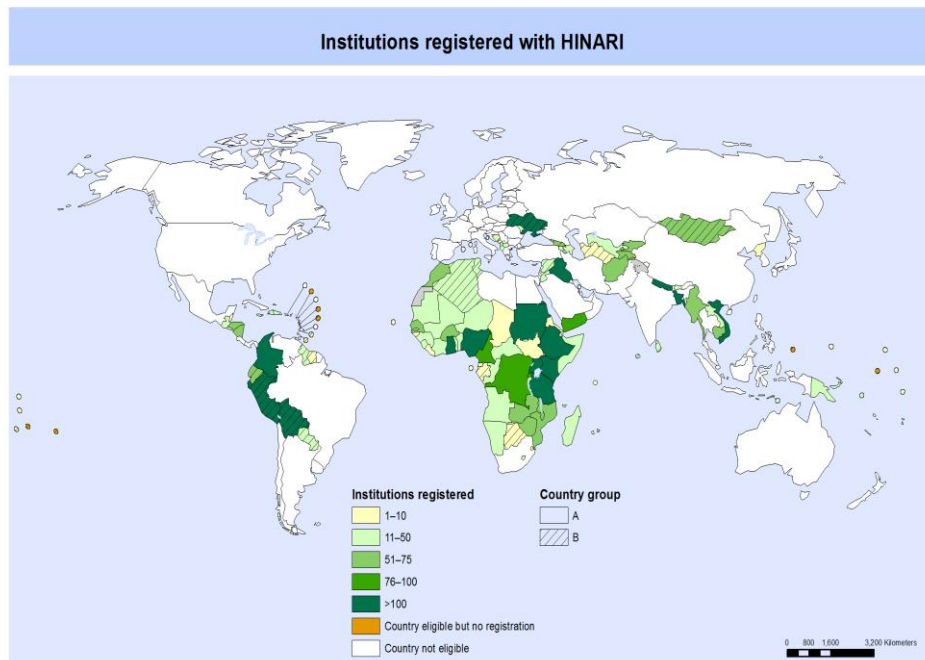
In order for institutions to be eligible to participate in HINARI, they must be located in one of the HINARI-eligible countries, and be categorized by the WHO into one of the eligible institution categories (Group A, which receive access to resources at no cost or Group B, which receive access to resources at a discounted cost).

By enabling open access to CONNECT, the WFCCN online journal as well as the WFCCN website resources to HINARI, WFCCN can play an important role in worldwide critical care nursing practice to benefit our global colleagues to advance patient care practices.

For more information, visit the HINARI website at <http://www.who.int/hinari/en/>

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## Planning for 2014 WFCCN Fall Congress

The Turkish Association of Intensive Care Nurses will host the 10<sup>th</sup> WFCCN Congress November 13-16 2014 in Antalya Turkey. The meeting will be held in conjunction with the 11th Congress of the Turkish Society of Medical and Surgical Intensive Care Medicine, the 3rd Euro-Asian Critical Care Meeting and 6th National Critical Care Nursing Congress.

Details are outlined on the Congress website:

<http://www.criticalcare2014.com/eng/>

Accepted abstracts will be published in a supplement of "Turkish Society of Medical and Surgical Intensive Care Medicine Journal."

### CONGRESS VENUE:

The Congress will be held at Limak Atlantis Hotel.



WFCCN extends a sincere thank you to Dr. Gülçin Bozkurt and the Congress Planning Team for their ongoing efforts.

*"The WFCCN 10<sup>th</sup> Congress will provide opportunities for networking, dialogue, and sharing of best critical care practices worldwide"*

Mark your calendars and plan to attend. Prepare your abstracts to join in the discussions and presentations of the Congress to highlight your country member organization's work; unique workplace initiatives and examples of how critical care practices have been changed to integrate evidence based practices, research, and quality improvement strategies.

One of the tremendous benefits of attending a WFCCN Congress is the ability to network with fellow colleagues from around the world.

WFCCN will also be holding a business meeting where discussion will occur on several key global initiatives. Plan to attend to participate in the decision making to strategize in advancing the work of WFCCN.



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## WFCCN Ambassador Profiles

### Dr Leanne Aitken

Dr Leanne Aitken is the Chair in Critical Care Nursing at Griffith University and Princess Alexandra Hospital in Brisbane, Australia. She concurrently holds an appointment as Professor of Nursing in the School of Health Sciences at City University, London. These roles incorporate the conduct and implementation of a range of clinical research and practice improvement projects, as well as teaching and research supervision. Mentoring academic and clinical staff through the research process is an

important component of the roles. Leanne's research focuses on recovery after critical illness and injury, decision making practices of critical care nurses and a range of clinical practice issues including sedation management within critical care.

Leanne Aitken is a Fellow of both the American Academy of Nursing and the Australian College of Nursing as well as a Life Member of the Australian College of Critical Care Nurses (ACCCN). She is a co-editor of ACCCN's Critical Care Nursing, a text that is published by Elsevier. She is also a Fulbright Alumna after receiving a Fulbright Senior Scholarship to undertake research

examining recovery after trauma with Dr Therese Richmond at the University of Pennsylvania, Philadelphia. Dr Aitken is the representative of the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses on the Global Sepsis Alliance, has led the development of guidelines for nursing care of sepsis patients and has been involved in the revision of the Surviving Sepsis Campaign Guidelines.



### Esther WONG Yee-Hing

Dr. Esther WONG has worked in ICUs, Renal Units and Cardiac Units as well as Emergency Rooms of public and private hospitals in Hong Kong; she had been General Manager (Nursing) of two Public Hospitals for 10 years. She also has the experience of teaching Bachelor and Master's programs in Universities of Hong Kong and Macau. She is an Adjunct Associate Professor, The Hong Kong Polytechnic University.

She has served as Adjunct Professor, Girne American University; Chair, Promotion & Public Relations Committee, The Provisional Hong Kong Academy of Nursing; President, Hong Kong College of Critical Care Nursing; Vice chairman, CNE Committee, Chinese Nurses' Association; Vice President, Hong Kong College of Medical Nursing; Vice President, Hong Kong College of Surgical Nursing and Council member, College of Nursing, Hong Kong.

She holds qualifications including RN; MSc (Health Services); PhD (Educational Management.); FHKAN (Founding); FHKAN(Critical Care Nursing) & FHKAN(Nursing and Health Care Management).



## WFCCN Books for Africa Project Expands



The WFCCN spearheaded the Books for Africa project at the WFSICCM Durban Congress in August 2013. Participants brought books to be donated to Siyavuna Primary School in South Africa and fundraising was conducted on-site at the Congress. A website link was developed on the Books for Africa website - <https://www.booksforafrica.org/donate/to-project.html> - and since that time, several groups have chosen to fundraise to further the WFCCN mission. Erin Arthur who teaches World History at Oak Ridge High School in El Dorado Hills, California, USA emailed to indicate his class would be participating in the fundraising efforts. Aaryan M. Central Middle International School Student Council President also emailed to indicate support from the Student Council at the school, located in Kokomo, Indiana, USA. Jennifer Venth of Yardley Pennsylvania, USA emailed to indicate interest from her daughter's 10<sup>th</sup> grade class. We encourage country members to continue to support the WFCCN project by visiting the website <https://www.booksforafrica.org/donate/to-project.html>

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## Save the Date: 2015 WFSICCM Congress

The 2015 Critical Care World Congress, entitled "One Step Further: The Pursuit of Excellence in Critical Care" will be held August 29-September 2, 2015 in Seoul, Korea. WFCCN will be assisting with development of the nursing program as well as interdisciplinary sessions. Mark your calendars and plan to attend!

[www.wfsiccm2015.com](http://www.wfsiccm2015.com)



One Step Further:  
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## Save the Date: 2016 WFCCN Congress in Brisbane Australia

Planning is underway for the WFCCN 2016 World Congress, which will be hosted by the Australian College of Critical Care Nurses on 20-23 April, 2016 in Brisbane Australia. The conference theme will be strongly focused on clinical practice. Another strong theme will be cultural care, and a WFCCN Brisbane Declaration is planned to focus on cultural care. The conference will have a variety of international symposia as well as international clinical case studies, and

a mixture of lecture presentations and workshops.

Social events, as well as excursions will be available. Paul Fulbrook, the National Vice President, Australian College of Critical Care Nurses and Marion Mitchell, the WFCCN Country Member representative for Australia, will co-chair the scientific committee. We thank them in advance for their coordination and planning!



## Updates from the Global Sepsis Alliance

The Global Sepsis Alliance (GSA) supports the efforts of over 1 million caregivers in more than 70 countries as they seek to better understand and combat what many experts believe to be the leading cause of death worldwide: sepsis. Prof Leanne Aitken serves as the WFCCN representative on the GSA Council. We thank her for her service in this capacity.

This year's suggestions for World Sepsis Day (September 13, 2014) activities for the public at large are as follows: In order to increase awareness about sepsis in a novel, unconventional way, the GSA invites everyone to hold a Pink Picnic or BBQ in celebration of each sepsis supporter and sepsis survivor. The Pink Picnic has the twitter

hashtag: #ppicnic and additional information can be found in the latest newsletter, <http://bit.ly/1Hjgxi>.

See also: [www.world-sepsis-day.org](http://www.world-sepsis-day.org)

WFCCN Country members celebrating World Sepsis Day are asked to contact Prof Aitken to share how they recognized the day ([l.aitken@griffith.edu.au](mailto:l.aitken@griffith.edu.au))



## International Networking

Ged Williams (Founding President WFCCN) visited our colleagues in Oman who organised a one day Critical Care Nursing Conference in Muscat in March. Almost 100 nurses from the region joined in the learning sessions focused on quality improvement, education and clinical practice.

Asiya Al-Hasni, senior lecturer at Oman Specialised Nursing Institute organised the day with colleagues to coincide with teaching commitments Ged had in the region.

Oman nursing leaders are working on an application form to join WFCCN and hope to join us in Turkey for our Council meeting in November.



The WFCCN is an international organization with 41 international country members representing over 500,000 critical care nurses worldwide. Visit the website at [www.wfccn.org](http://www.wfccn.org)

