

ICN Membership Benefits

BE PART OF THE GLOBAL VOICE OF NURSING

The International Council of Nurses (ICN) is a federation of more than 130 national nurses' associations (NNAs), representing the more than 20 million nurses worldwide. Founded in 1899, ICN is the world's first and widest reaching international organisation for health professionals. Operated by nurses and leading nurses internationally, ICN works to ensure quality nursing care for all, sound health policies globally, the advancement of nursing knowledge, and the presence worldwide of a respected nursing profession and a competent and satisfied nursing workforce. ICN works directly with its member associations on issues of importance to the nursing profession. There is no individual membership to ICN. Nurses who are part of their national nurses' association are automatically part of ICN. If your NNA is not yet a member of ICN, why not contact them to see if they are considering or working toward membership?

BENEFITS TO BECOMING AN ICN MEMBER



Enhance your organisation's credibility as a recognised Member of ICN

- Benefit from ICN's long-standing, global reputation
- Use the ICN Members logo on your website and key documents
- Receive ICN endorsement of your events
- Work with a range of international organisations, NGOs, governments, industry and key stakeholders to achieve maximum impact, including receipt and management of grants



Have a seat and a voice at the highest policy-making tables in the world

- Take part in the ICN delegation to the World Health Assembly
- Provide nursing expertise for high-level international policy development
- Join high-level policy discussions at ICN events
- Work with us to develop relevant research-based policy
- Receive ICN guidance and technical support



Help define what nursing is, build nursing leadership and strengthen the profession around the world.

- Stand together in solidarity with nurses round the world to be heard and have impact
- Take part in our leadership programmes to strengthen nursing leadership
- Support other associations to become ICN members
- Help build up nursing associations to be strong representatives and leaders of nursing
- Take part in consultations to develop key resources such as the ICN Code of Ethics or APN Guidelines

- Contribute to ICN's International Classification of Nursing Practice (ICNP), driving improvements in data collection for better outcomes measurement and resource management
- Through collaborative action, work together for the benefit of society, the advancement of the profession and the development of its members



Improve working conditions and health outcomes in your country and beyond

- Gain access to ICN's research-based policy, guidance and technical support
- Take part in ICN's Workforce Forums
- Contribute to our work on socio-economic welfare of nurses
- Receive ICN support and benefit from ICN's expertise to lobby your government
- Share key issues and challenges with ICN so we can advocate on your behalf



Help shape the global nursing strategy

- Have your say in identifying topics of strategic importance to ICN
- Advise on and contribute to position statements, policy guidance, etc.
- Take part in Council of National Nursing Association Representatives (CNR) meetings which set the direction for ICN
- Vote in ICN Board elections



Host, take part in, and get reduced rates at ICN events around the world

- Host an ICN Congress, conference or forum in your own country
- Submit abstracts to ICN events
- Receive discounted rates for attendance to our events
- Join exclusive biennial meetings for ICN Members organised with the World Health Organization and the International Confederation of Midwives



Gain access to ICN's global expertise

- Benefit from ICN's expertise in communications, media and financial management
- Take part in training workshops/webinars to help get your work published, learn how to make impactful presentations, use social media efficiently and speak to the media
- Receive ICN support in lobbying governments



Share knowledge and learn from other NNAs

- Network with nursing association leaders from across the globe
- Help strengthen smaller, low-resourced nursing associations
- Join workshops and forums on regulation, socio-economic welfare and professional practice
- Share events, articles and other news on the ICN website



Receive recognition and recognise the work of others

- Receive global recognition for your association
- Nominate other nurses for ICN Awards
- Receive ICN endorsement of your events



Contribute and obtain privileged access to critical and current information

- Take part in developing leading edge guidelines, toolkits, position statements and other resources for nurses
- Receive free copies of all ICN publications
- Automatically receive all ICN press releases and media statement
- Contribute to and receive ICN's landmark International Nurses Day resources
- Receive exclusive regular monthly updates on ICN's work



Benefit from continuing education offers

- Receive ICN Educational Credits (ICNECs) by attending our events
- Receive discounts on online educational resources provided by ICN partners
- Get reduced charges for awarding ICNECs at your own conferences

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