

**25th Meeting
Paediatric Nursing Associations of Europe**

**Rome, Italy
Notes 4th & 5th June 2015**

Attendees

Immacolata Dall'Oglio on behalf of Italian Nurses Association [ID][Host]
Orsola Gawronski, on behalf of Italian Nurses Association [OG] [Host]
Dr. Ciro Carbone, Central Committee Italian Federation of Nursing Colleges, Italy [CC] [Host]
Lara Barbotto, Pediatric Nurse, president of committee CUNeo College, Italy [Host]
Anna Persico, Pediatric Nurse, Coordinator of Pediatric Nursing Degree of Turin, Italy [Host]
Graziella Costamanga, Pediatric Nurse, Manager of Nursing Service of Ordine Maurizius Hospital, Italy [Host]
Melania Cavallo, Pediatric Nurse, Member of committee of Cunes College, Italy [Host]
Martha Böhm, Paediatric Nurses Association, Austria [MB]
Ulli Barborik, Paediatric Nurses Association, Austria [UB]
Katrin De Winter, Paediatric Nurses Association, Belgium [KdW]
Karen Vansteenkiste, Paediatric Nurses Association, Belgium [KV]
Jitka Voříšková, Head of the Pediatric section of the Czech Nurses Association [JV]
Ivona Mikulenková, vice President, Pediatric section of the Czech Nurses Association [IM]
Mgr. Miluse Vacuskova, Pediatric section of the Czech Nurses Association [MV]
Mgr. Ilona Antonickova, Pediatric section of the Czech Nurses Association [IA]
Corry van den Hoed-Heerschop, Dutch Association of Paediatric Nurses, Netherlands [CvH]
Caroline Roberts-Quast, Dutch Association of Paediatric Nurses, Netherlands [CRQ]
Madeleine Collombier, Association Nationale des Puéricultrices Diplômées et des Etudiants [MC]
Ayse Ferda Ocakci, Turkey [AFO]
Catherine Sheridan, Irish Nurses and Midwives Organisation – INMO, Ireland [CS]
Helena Wigert, Swedish Pediatric Nurses Association, Sweden [HW]
Karin Bundgaard, Paediatric Nursing Association, Denmark [KB]
Connie Lindbergh Anderson, Paediatric Nursing Association, Denmark [CLA]
Pantelis Pedikaris, President Pediatric Nurses Sector of Hellenic Nurses Association [PP]
Vasiliki Matziou, Pediatric Nurses Sector of Hellenic Nurses association [VM]
Dragica Bestak, Croatia Nurses Association of Paediatric Nursing Society [DB]
Elizbeta Kralji Kovacic, Croatia Nurses Association of Paediatric Nursing Society [EKK]
Jane Coad, Royal College of Nursing, United Kingdom [JC]
Fiona Smith, Royal College of Nursing, United Kingdom [FS]

Apologies

Frauke Leupold, President Berufsverband Kinderkrankenpflege, Germany [FL]
Britt Marie Ygge, Swedish Pediatric Nurses Association, Sweden [BMY]
Evalotte Morelius, Swedish Pediatric Nurses Association, Sweden [EM]
Anne-Marie Bangels, President Paediatric Nurses Association, Belgium [AMB]
Ingrid Hanks Drielsma, Dutch Association of Paediatric Nurses, Netherlands [IHD]
Maria do Céu Barbieri, ESEP [MCB]
Sandra Cruz ESEP [SC]
Amélia Monteiro, Ordem dos Enfermeiros [AM]
Siw Fossan, Norwegian Paediatric Nurses Association [SF]
Jorunn Tunby, Norwegian Paediatric Nurses Association [JT]
Anna Barbara Schlüer, Switzerland
Claus Sixtus Jensen, Paediatric Nursing Association, Denmark [CSJ]

1. Welcome/introductions

IMD welcomed attendees to the meeting. Dr. Ciro Carbone welcomed colleagues on behalf of the Central Committee Italian Federation of Nursing Colleges.

The President of the Italian Federation of Nursing Colleges is a paediatric nurse. Unfortunately she was unable to attend today but sends her best wishes for the meeting. The Italian Federation of Nursing Colleges are confident in the recommendations and activities of the PNAE. Dr. Ciro Carbone expressed his thanks to the Italian colleagues involved in driving forward paediatric nursing.

IMD, OG and SC very pleased to have the support from the Italian Federation of Nursing Colleges to participate in the PNAE network.

Attendees introduced themselves to each other.

It was noted that the hospital visit and the presentations about paediatric nursing professional development and the discussion about paediatric nursing education in Italy and across Europe were interesting and helpful. Attendees were asked to consider action PNAE needs to take

Action:

- FS to circulate draft text about Paediatric Nurse Education from the discussion. Each country to review individually and send revised written update and content to FS for collation by end of June 2015 – **All**

2. Update of Paediatric Nursing in Italy

In Italy there is a manifesto for the rights and the health of child and adolescent which is a point of reference. There is also a charter for pre-terms' in Italy. There has been an increase in the birth rate due to migration. 15-57% attending emergency care are due to non-emergency situations causing pressure on the system. There is a move to deliver much of the care to the community/primary care settings. 0-18 year olds form around 18% of the population. Disparities in health between the north and south. Very few community and paediatric nurses in periphery areas. Policies aimed at reducing neonatal mortality and improving health outcomes for children and young people. In America and Canada there are set standards for the ration of nurse to patient ratio. There are no such standards in Italy. There are 12,000 paediatric nurses. The ratio for child population 1.2 for every paediatric nurse, 1.5 paediatrician for child population. For general nurses 6.5 nurse for each member of the population, 6.5 physician for each member of the population. Increasing number of professional associations in Italy undertaking research to provide evidence of the specific needs of paediatrics and neonates. The challenge is to ensure that the workforce has the right knowledge, skills and competence to meet the needs of infants, children and young people.

A survey of nurses has been undertaken to identify the issues and way forward. Awaiting new legislation for paediatric nursing in Italy which will entail changes in nursing education. Recognise the need for education for families of children with long term conditions. Other key issues include the needs of adolescents and

transition. Wish to establish minimum professional standards for nurses working in paediatrics and neonates. There are some paediatric nurses working in primary and community care settings but this is limited. Recognise the need to expand this area and wish to establish collective recruitment processes. Wish to retain the maintenance of direct entry degree level preparation nursing and paediatric nursing, and to look to establish continuing professional development opportunities. A real need to work together to build a shared perspective [see presentation slides]

Following discussions held the previous day agreed to revise PNAE position statements to reflect required additions

- Definition of a Paediatric Nurse
- Paediatric Nurse Education in Europe
- Regulation of Paediatric Nurses in Europe
- Re-registration and Continuing Professional Development requirements of Paediatric Nurses in Europe

Once drafted these would be circulated along with a covering letter and sent to PNAE representatives for translation into their own language and then dissemination to key stakeholders in their country for noting and action

Action:

- Revise PNAE position statements and send with covering letter to PNAE representatives by end June 2015 – **FS**
- Revised PNAE position statements and covering letter to be translated and sent to key stakeholders in each country by PNAE representatives – **All**
- Each country representative to monitor and report on responses received at future PNAE meeting – **All**
- Evidence of the impact of paediatric nursing/nurses to be sent to FS – **All**

3. Matters arising from notes of meeting November 2015

3.1 Written updates for website

[\[http://www.rcn.org.uk/development/communities/specialisms/children_and_young_people/forums/other_forums_and_groups/paediatric_nursing_associations_of_europe\]](http://www.rcn.org.uk/development/communities/specialisms/children_and_young_people/forums/other_forums_and_groups/paediatric_nursing_associations_of_europe)

FS advised that some information had been received. Some countries had yet to advise of relevant website links, or the named contact for the website and for communication. The name of each Associations name in own language to be placed on PNAE webpage if provided and also contact email addresses if advised

Action:

- Each country to email FS the name and email address for the key contact as above and the weblink for their association – **All**
- Key contacts and weblinks to be placed on PNAE website when received – **FS**
- Key contact to cascade information, agenda's and papers within their own country/Association as required - **All**

3.2 Update on potential Future PNAE congresses

Following discussion with IDO in January 2015 it was agreed that a congress or study day programme would not be held in Italy. This decision had been

communicated to PNAE representatives as soon as possible. All congratulated IDO, OR and colleagues on the excellent organisation for the meeting in Italy.

PNAE congress in Porto 2016

FS and JC provided an update on behalf of colleagues in Portugal. FS advised there had been significant interest from PNAE in being involved in the scientific committee on behalf of PNAE and confirmed that the PNAE representatives would be Professor Jane Coad (as chair of the previous scientific committee in Glasgow), Ivona Mikulenková (from Czech Republic) and Ingrid Hankes Drielsma (Netherlands). Representatives from PNAE on the overarching organising committee would be Corry van den Hoed-Heerschop, Vasiliki Matziou and Jorunn Tunby (Norway). Names and contact details had been provided to colleagues in Portugal

Themes for the conference drawn from previous PNAE congress. PNAE representatives had been asked to consider suggestions for keynote speakers for:

- Design of Paediatric Hospitals: impact on nursing and the care climate
- Evidence based Paediatric Nursing

Attendees discussed and several suggestions made.

Proposed call for abstract submissions relayed to PNAE representatives, along with proposed cost for the 2 day congress. PNAE representatives urged that advertising material and abstract submission dates be circulated asap. CvH and MV have expertise and experience in organisation of national and international paediatric nursing conferences and will be able to provide high level advice and support to colleagues in Portugal.

Action:

- Suggestions for plenary speakers to be forwarded to colleagues in Portugal – **FS**
- Colleagues in Portugal to make contact with both PNAE scientific committee members and PNAE organising committee members asap – **SC/MB**
- Congress advertising material and call for abstracts to be developed as soon as possible – **SC/MB**
- Advertising material to be circulated to PNAE members once received from colleagues in Portugal - **FS**

3.3 *RN4CAST, recruitment and competence of nurses*

No update provided. HW to speak to BMY/EM to provide update at future meeting. All recognised the need for a similar study in paediatrics. Issue to be kept on agenda and collaborative research to be explored with key paediatric nursing researchers across Europe in due course

Action:

- Consider exploring potential for a similar European study in paediatrics. To be discussed further at next meeting - **All**

3.4 *Education programmes: mapping of learning outcomes*

KdW and KV discussed paper circulated in advance of the meeting. It was noted that work is still in progress and comments would be welcomed. It was noted that competence and indicators in respect to transition needed to be included.

Action:

- Review paper circulated in advance of the PNAE meeting and send comments and suggestions to KdW katrin.dewinter@thomasmore.be by **12th July 2015 - All**
- Keep PNAE members updated on development of indicators – **KdW/KV**
- Item to be placed on next PNAE meeting agenda - **FS**

4. Do Not Resuscitate orders

Draft PNAE position statement from SW discussed. The position statement focused on reinforcing that nurses should be present discussions. It was agreed that this should encompass palliative and end of life care, along with relevant definitions to add clarity. It was agreed that a future survey need to be undertaken

Action

- Draft survey to be prepared for review prior to circulation – **JC**
- Item to be placed on next PNAE meeting agenda – **FS**

5. Transition of children and young people to adult services

FS presented initial findings. Content of draft position statement and recommendations for countries to consider to facilitate transition from children's to adult services discussed.

Action

- Countries who have not yet responded who wish to do so to send information to FS by **30th June 2015 - All**
- Present final findings and position statement for agreement at next PNAE meeting - **FS**

6. Caring for sick children and young people at home and in the community

Draft survey discussed. It was agreed to add definitions and links to PNAE position statements such as Definition of a Paediatric Nurse as discussed to add clarity and to use the term 'out of hospital settings' rather than 'home care' and 'community or primary care'. It was recognised that there may need to be follow up surveys dependent on the initial findings yielded.

Action

- Survey once amended to be circulated to PNAE representatives – **FS**
- Survey to be completed and returned within set timeline - **All**
- Presentation of findings at next PNAE meeting - **FS**

7. Promoting collaborative children's nursing research

JC highlighted key research priorities that had been received from countries that had responded to the questions circulated. It was noted that not all countries had Paediatric Nursing Professors, some had Professors that were paediatric nurses and others had key paediatric researchers who did not have the title 'Professor'. It was agreed key issues included relationship based care and nursing sensitive patient outcomes.

Action

- Countries who have not yet responded to the survey or those who wished to suggest additional names and contact details to send to FS by **12th July 2015- All**
- Contact to be made in due course to establish links to facilitate collaborative paediatric nursing research across Europe - **FS**
- Potential database to be developed in due course - **JC**

8. **Home ventilation for children across Europe**

IM presented work undertaken in Czech Republic using a case study (see attached presentation). Key issues included facilities, equipment and education preparation for professionals, parents and other caregivers. It was agreed that there was a need to review what was happening across Europe in this respect to identify areas of good practice. A survey was therefore to be drafted.

Action

- Draft survey to be prepared for discussion at next PNAE meeting – **IM/FS**

9. **CanMeds Roles Framework**

CRQ presented the framework and application to paediatric nursing in the Netherlands (see attached presentation). The CanMeds framework includes skills, knowledge and attitudes.

Action

- Each country to look at in light of frameworks used in their country and to bring information to the next meeting for discussion – **All**

10. **Any other business**

IDO, OR and colleagues thanked for the organisation of the meeting and cultural and social programme.

Future agenda items

- To discuss indicators and health outcomes at the next PNAE meeting
- To discuss influencing stakeholders at the next PNAE meeting

Notification and responding to emails within requested timeline

FS asked for all PNAE representatives to keep to set timelines for responses and notifications. It was noted that information is required by hosts well in advance so as to aid planning and preparation

Action

- PNAE members to respond to requests, notifications and to return information within set timeline - **All**

11. Future meeting dates/venues and locations

Attendees discussed future venues and agreed that where possible meetings should be held in different countries to those that have already held a meeting. FS advised that contact had been made with Iceland and a meeting was scheduled for mid to end October 2017. Further offers were made for 2018. Greece kindly offered to also host a future PNAE congress.

- 5th and 6th November, 2015 – **Athens, Greece**
- 25th May, 2 day congress 26th & 27th May 2016 – **Porto, Portugal**
- November 2016 – **Paris, France**
- March/April 2017 – **Istanbul, Turkey**
- Mid-end October 2017 – **Reykjavik, Iceland**
- Spring 2018 – **Naples, Italy**
- Autumn/Winter 2018 – **Czech Republic**

Action:

- Advise FS of attendance at the November 2015 meeting- **All**

Please advise FS if you are interested in hosting a meeting - all

PNAE meetings are held in different venues/countries to enable as many representatives from Paediatric Nursing Associations/National Nursing Associations to attend and participate in activities. We appreciate that financial implications of travel and accommodation may prevent several members from attending PNAE meetings. If your country has not yet attended a PNAE meeting but you would be interested in hosting a meeting in your Nursing Association/Country please contact Fiona Smith – Fiona.smith@rcn.org.uk ASAP

15.45 Meeting closed.

NOTE

- If documents are circulated with request for comment/agreement and no response is received it will be assumed that there is agreement.
- ***Please ensure receipt of emails is confirmed.***