

Nursing Progress Report Hong Kong 2002

On behalf of the U21 Nursing group

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Strengths of Continuity

- Vancouver 2001 - 12 (9 universities)
- Hong Kong 2002 - 11 either at Singapore or Vancouver out of a total of 18
 - welcome to colleagues from
 - Fudan
 - Sun Yat-sen
 - Peking Union Medical College
 - Host Institution, University of Hong Kong



Outcomes

- Nursing U21 web-site (established 2001)
 - maintained as:
 - contact list
 - resource
 - discussion forum
 - notes of previous U21 meetings including plans of action



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- Education
 - publication & conference paper
 - Wharrad, H.J, Clifford, C, Horsburgh, M, Ketefian, S & Lee J (2002) Global network explores diversity and opportunity in nurse education Nurse Education Today, 22, 1-10
 - multi-professional education
 - health informatics
 - diversity in teaching & learning



- Education

- to initiate sharing specialist modules with few students eg ophthalmology, otorhinolaryngology
- survey of post-graduate research teaching across 10 member universities
- purpose: to benchmark “common” teaching as a means of clarifying issues of comparability/exchange
 - terminology
 - level
 - time
 - content
 - context of delivery
 - other issues



Outcomes

- Education

- Student exchange programmes
 - undergraduate
 - postgraduate
- Sharing registration, regulation & curriculum information on the extension/introduction of independent nurse prescribing
- On-going development of on-line module on Evidence Based Practice (Melbourne-Nottingham)
 - to share with others as IPR allows



- Research

- special agenda item for this meeting
 - preliminary email survey
- International Doctoral Education Network (INDEN) meeting at International Congress of Nursing (ICN) (2001)
 - extended membership as a result of U21
- PhD examination (extended pool of appropriate examiners)
- Referees for research projects
- critical review prior to proposal/bid submission



- Issues for Nursing in Higher Education

- multidisciplinary & improving teamworking
- excellent & diverse opportunities for nurses at all levels of seniority
- improved and improving HE/health relations
- preparation and demographic change (impact on ensuring quality faculty - ?? funding)
- funding for clinical education not included in undergraduate costings
- money transferred to hospitals to re-imburse nursing move into HE lost within changing budget structures
- impact on nursing of reduction in funding to HE in general (some countries)

- Staff exchanges
 - draft survey of staffing ratios and types
 - specialisms
 - advice
 - benchmarking
 - Faculty development
 - International practice connections:
 - Health-HE interface



Conclusions

- genuine network
- real collaboration
- exchange of good practice
- looking forward to the future

