Dear BANCC members,

Welcome to the Summer (or is it Autumn??!!) edition of the Society’s newsletter. Firstly, thank you to all those members, old and new, who made themselves known to Council members at the BANCC / British Journal of Cardiac Nursing stand at the BCS Annual Conference and Exhibition in Manchester in June. It was great to see nursing representation at the conference in what are increasingly difficult times. Unlike in previous editions of the newsletter, in which I have highlighted the work of the Council, this edition focuses on the work of the Council in relation to the needs of the membership, and I am asking in several places, for your feedback and engagement; read on!

On the subject of the BCS Annual Conference; the Association are already being asked for ideas and themes for debate and discussion at next year’s event in Manchester 13th - 15th June. If there are areas that are interesting and topical, currently affecting nurses in practice, please e-mail any suggestions to us at bancc@bcs.com.
It will be great to have some input into the programme for next year from our membership. We will be working very closely with the BACR (British Association for Cardiac Rehabilitation) and the PCCS (Primary Care Cardiovascular Society) as well as other affiliate groups, to develop the nursing input into the programme.

We would in addition welcome your views as members, as to whether an annual conference should be held specifically for our members. We have until recently been able to hold a ‘Nurses Day’ at the BCS Annual Conference, but are coming under increasing pressure to spread nursing interest throughout the three days of the Conference. Council are considering a study day targeted at our membership. What are your thoughts? Please e-mail us at bancc@bcs.com – we’d be very interested to hear your views as to whether we should have a conference dedicated entirely to nursing issues, and what should the agenda look like?

Council have had a busy time on behalf of the membership and we are exceptionally keen to engage our membership in the work of the Association. Please do look out for e-mails asking you to get involved. Contributing to the development of NICE Guidance, national work such as that of the Cardiovascular Coalition, and representing the interests of Cardiovascular Nurses in the development of health policy and practice are exceptional opportunities for development and are circulated to the membership – do consider putting yourself forward.

We are particularly keen at the moment to look at ways to market the organisation, develop the ways in which we work alongside other organisations in order to develop the Association’s political influence, develop our research network and look very closely at our mission and the value we are able to add for our membership. Those who have been able to attend conferences where we are represented will already be aware of some significant developments in the availability of marketing materials and some improvements in the professional image of the organisation. Council will be working in the future on continuing to develop the Association’s image; to this end please consider printing and making available copies of the BANCC newsletter in your clinical areas, to raise the profile of BANCC. We may be sending around copies of posters in the near future; please look out for these and help us raise the profile of the excellent work that the Association is doing on behalf of Cardiovascular Nurses.

We are keen to develop the web site; we would like your views and feedback – please have a look at the web site and let us have your views. In particular we’d like to know whether the membership would benefit from an ‘Ask BANCC’ advice area, or a discussion area for members only, where ad-hoc requests for advice about role and practice issues can be accessed. Please e-mail your thoughts to us at: bancc@bcs.com about any of these issues; it will be great to hear from you.

Look out in this issue of the newsletter in particular for the opportunity again to apply to the BANCC Professional Development and Support Fund (pg 5-8); the deadline is again fast approaching (30 September 2010) and I would encourage you to apply for support to attend national or international conferences or events; sources of funding are limited in these difficult times and we are keen to encourage applications from across the specialties.

I do hope to hear from you.

Best wishes,

Jan Keenan
Acting President/Honorary Secretary, BANCC
Officers

Jan Keenan  Acting President/Honorary Secretary  June 2009 – Interim Period
Current Role: Consultant Nurse in Cardiac Medicine, John Radcliffe Hospital
Areas of special interest: Cardiac nursing

Scott McLean  President Elect  June 2009 – June 2011
Current Role: Divisional Nurse – Circulatory, Respiratory and Metabolic Sciences Division, Barts and the London NHS Trust, The Royal London Hospital
Areas of special interest: Acute Coronary Syndromes and chest pain management

Imelda Sotto  Treasurer  June 2009 – June 2011
Current Role: Senior Clinical Nurse Specialist, London Chest Hospital
Areas of special interest: Heart failure

Catriona Jennings  Junior Secretary  June 2009 – June 2011
Current Role: Cardiovascular Specialist Research Nurse, Department of Cardiovascular Medicine, Imperial College London
Areas of special interest: Preventive Cardiology, smoking cessation, behaviour change and psycho-social health

Andrea Manley  Junior Treasurer  June 2009 – June 2011
Current Role: Clinical Nurse Specialist, Heart Failure Service, London Chest Hospital
Areas of special interest: Cardiology

Ordinary Members

Helen Cox  June 2009 – June 2011 (second term)
Current Role: Senior Lecturer in Cardiac and Critical Care Nursing; University of the West of England
Areas of special interest: Predominately specialised in cardiac care over the last 20 years, teaching and research interests include cardiac and pre-hospital care, telemedicine and heart failure. Other areas of interest which have developed are managing critically ill patients both in high dependency and general ward settings.

Jacqueline Hunt  June 2010 – June 2012 (second term)
Current Role: Community Heart Failure Specialist Nurse, South Downs Health NHS Trust. (Also part time Cardiac Research Nurse at Eastbourne District General Hospital).
Areas of special interest: Heart failure with a specific interest in developing the care of cardiac patients on general medical wards and ECG interpretation.

Current Role: Consultant Nurse in Cardiology, University Hospital Lewisham
Areas of special interest: Chest pain assessment, acute coronary syndrome, cardiac rehabilitation and prevention

Sheena Vernon  June 2009 – June 2011 (first term)
Current Role: Adult Congenital Heart Disease Nurse, Bristol Royal Infirmary
Areas of special interest: Adult congenital heart disease
Co-opted Members

Shai Davies
Current Role: British Heart Foundation representative. Head of BHF Healthcare Professional Services

Cardiovascular Nursing Research Lead – to be agreed

Other external organisation – to be agreed

How To Contact BANCC

All council members can be contacted by email: bancc@bcs.com

For any administrative queries or information requests, please contact:

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Affiliates Coordinator
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Direct Tel: 020 7380 1918
General Tel: 020 7383 3887
Email: bancc@bcs.com
This fund has been set up to assist with the professional development of our members. Applications are welcome from those considering attending a conference/educational event, for example:

- ACC Annual Meeting 2011, 3 – 5 April 2011, New Orleans, USA [http://www.accscientificsession.org/Pages/home.aspx](http://www.accscientificsession.org/Pages/home.aspx)

The BANCC Council will now review submitted applications twice a year during their first council meetings immediately after the deadlines of 31 March 2010 and 30 September 2010.

In the past, we have previously only reviewed applications once a year after the 31 March deadline and prior to the BANCC AGM held during the BCS Annual Conference. In light of the increasing difficulty for nurse members to gain access to funding for educational events and furthermore, to try and encourage more members to apply for funding, Council formally agreed at its council meeting on 24 November 2009, to extend the application deadline to twice yearly.

Following discussion at the BANCC council meeting on 24 November 2009, Council also agreed that its own council members could apply for funding, **BUT** they are **NOT** eligible to apply for funding to attend the BCS Annual Conference and will also be **excluded** from all discussions if their own application is one of those under consideration. The issue of council members’ eligibility to apply is stated here to be as openly transparent as possible to you all as members of BANCC.

Successful applicants will be notified in writing of the result of their funding application and successful applications will also be mentioned in the next available issue of the BANCC newsletter. **If an application is approved, the applicant will be required to submit a receipt as proof of payment for their chosen event prior to BANCC Council allocating funds to them.**

The total amount that can be offered per application is **up to £500 for international conferences**, and **£250 for those held in the United Kingdom**. The applicant must be aware that BANCC will **not** cover the entire cost of a meeting and expenses if this comes to a total of more than £500 for international or £250 for UK conferences, and in these circumstances additional funding should be sought.
The application will also be attached with each future edition of the BANCC newsletter. We will send out reminders in advance of deadlines, which will now be both in March and September. Do consider applying to the fund.

The member sponsored will be required to write an article for the BANCC newsletter following the sponsored event. This is a mandatory condition of the sponsorship and will be explained in further detail following a successful application. To summarise, the report of approximately 500 words should include a summary of sessions attended and how it relates to the applicant’s practice in their day to job activities.

The successful applicant(s) will be issued with a cheque covering 50% of funding allocated on approval and the remaining 50% once written feedback has been submitted for inclusion in the BANCC newsletter within 4 weeks of attending the event. If this 4 week deadline cannot be met, the applicant must inform the Treasurer and Honorary Secretary at bancc@bcs.com as soon as possible.

**The deadline for applications for the current 2010-2011 membership year is 30 September 2010 and then 31 March 2011 for applications received later on during this membership year.**

Imelda Sotto  
BANCC Treasurer

Jan Keenan  
BANCC Acting President / Honorary Secretary
# BANCC Professional Development Support Fund Application Form

[Please return by email to bancc@bcs.com or post to the address at the bottom of this page]

## PART 1: Contact Details to be completed by applicant

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## PART 2: Conference Details to be completed by applicant

| Conference/Event Title: |  |
| Date(s): |  |
| Duration of Conference/Event: |  |
| Conference/Event Organiser: |  |
| Contact Details: |  |

Total Cost of Conference/Event:

Please specify cost of:
1. Registration Fee:
2. Travel:
3. Accommodation if applicable:

Please select the most relevant answer to each of the following:
1. Will you be attending this event as a presenter? YES or No
2. Have you previously received funding from BANCC? YES or NO
3. Have you received funding from any other source to attend conferences/events within the last two years? YES or NO
Please write a brief statement explaining how you will utilise the knowledge gained from this conference/event in your work place (continue on separate sheet(s) if necessary)

PART 3 – Declaration to be completed by applicant

Have you applied for, and / or received funding from other sources towards attending the aforementioned conference/event? YES or NO
If YES, please specify details below. Failure to disclose details may affect the outcome of your application / rule your application null and void.

If NO, please read the following statement and enter an ‘X’ and date where indicated.

I declare that I have not received funding from other sources towards attending the above conference/event.

Please enter an ‘X’ in the box to confirm. 
Date:

I agree that following my attendance to the aforementioned conference/event I will submit the original receipts of all relevant expenses incurred to BANCC. I will also produce a written report (maximum of 500 words) for the BANCC newsletter within 4 weeks of attending the conference/event (unless otherwise agreed with BANCC Council).

Please enter an ‘X’ in the box to confirm. 
Date:

PART 4 – To be completed by BANCC Council

Conference/Event Title:

Amount funded by BANCC:

50% of the amount to be paid pre-conference/event on receipt of proof of payment.
50% of the amount to be paid post-conference/event on receipt of article for BANCC Newsletter.

Recommended Amount:

Approved by BANCC President or Appropriate Deputy:
Date approved:
I submitted an abstract for this conference not expecting for one minute that it would be accepted. I was delighted (and slightly scared!) therefore to find out that my abstract had been accepted to be presented as a moderated poster.

I had presented at the British Cardiovascular Society Annual Scientific Conference in 2005 but had never attended an international nursing conference before. My nerves were eased somewhat when I learnt that my colleague had also submitted an abstract and been accepted to do an oral presentation.

My work was based around the Non-Physician Led Rapid Access Chest Pain Clinic at Wrexham Maelor Hospital in North Wales. The service has been running since 2005 and, we think, was the first nurse led service in Wales.

My abstract was entitled "Is a non-physician led rapid access chest pain clinic safe and effective? 4 year follow up data."

For this I had done a retrospective audit looking at the outcomes (death, readmission, further cardiac event) for the patients I saw in the first 12 months of running the clinic. The main focus for me was to find out whether the service was safe and effective. The audit data suggested that this was the case. My poster presentation was warmly received by a small but interested and friendly audience. The presentation provoked interesting discussion afterwards.

The event itself felt quite different to medical conferences I had attended previously. There was a very warm, supportive atmosphere with nurses attending from all over the world. Many of the nurses were attending their first conference and some had never presented speaking English before which I thought was very brave!

It was fascinating to be able to network with like-minded nurses from all over the world, of whom demonstrated enthusiasm, commitment and a desire to deliver high quality nursing services that pushed the boundaries of nursing in so many different ways.

The standard of presentations and posters was very high with a wide variety of work being displayed ranging from nurse led services and congenital heart disease to helping patients to deal with psychological issues.

The most useful part of the conference from my perspective was being able to dispel some of the myths about undertaking research. The terminology of research has always baffled me and put me off. However, after being able to see how research has been done in such a wide variety of nursing settings and with such an impact on nursing practice, I am now able to see myself undertaking research in order to enhance the services I provide.

Lucy Bull
Independent Nurse Practitioner – Cardiology
Wrexham Maelor Hospital
Photos from BCS ACE 2010, Manchester Central

Moderated Poster Session

Cholesterol Checking

Photos taken by BCS who have give permission to BANCC to use in newsletter.
Just a last minute reminder if you are attending the ESC Congress 2010, this weekend in Stockholm, don’t forget the CCNAP General Assembly starting at 12.45pm on Monday 30 August.

N.B You have to be a member of a national cardiac nursing organisation (BANCC) to apply for CCNAP membership.

Details of agenda as below:

GENERAL ASSEMBLY

12:45-13:45, Monday 30 August 2010
Room 1, Zone K, ESC Central, First Floor
Stockholmsmässan (venue ESC Congress 2010)

AGENDA

Presented by

1. Welcome and introduction Christi Deaton
2. Brief Overview of past 2 years Christi Deaton
   • Strategic Plan Christ Deaton
3. Acknowledgement of Tone M. Norekval Christi Deaton
4. Hand-Over to Incoming Chair Christi Deaton / Kaat Siebens
5. Committee Reports
   • Education Jan Martensson
   • New Science Committee Tiny Jaarsma
6. Future plans Kaat Siebens
7. 11th Annual Spring Meeting on Cardiovascular Nursing Philip Moons
8. Questions All

Lunch boxes are provided (a limited number - be there on time!)

And don't forget to come to the Membership Stand* to pick up posters and flyers from CCNAP, as well as your free copy of a scientific paper.

* The Membership Stand is located in the Membership Zone (Zone A)
BANCC was approached in March 2010 by Pinpoint Scotland Ltd, publisher of Cardiology News to contribute a short article for the Society News section of their June/July issue. BANCC Council were delighted to take up the offer, and on behalf of Council, I volunteered to draft an article.

The final version of the below article first appeared in Cardiology News, June/July 2010 issue, Vol 13, No 4. I would like to express my thanks to BANCC Council members who contributed some ideas for the article, and furthermore to Pinpoint Scotland Ltd who have kindly given permission to BANCC to reprint the article in full.

Imelda Sotto
BANCC Treasurer

The British Association for Nursing in Cardiovascular Care (BANCC) provides a forum for communication, professional development and national representation for nurses who are involved in providing cardiovascular care. It is an affiliated group of the British Cardiovascular Society (BCS) and has the following aims:

• To promote excellence in cardiovascular nursing and care of patients with cardiovascular disorders.
• To promote the professional development of cardiovascular nurses, including the definition of roles and competencies, standard setting, and the acquisition of appropriate knowledge and skills for competent specialist practice.
• To represent the interests of nurses and the practice of nursing in all fields of cardiovascular care, at a national and international level.
• To promote the sharing of knowledge between cardiovascular nurses and colleagues in other specialties and disciplines.
• To promote the nursing contribution to leading research in cardiovascular care, carrying out original research projects and participating in clinical trials.
• To encourage close working relationships with associated organisations, both nationally and internationally.

The council is made up of six officers, four ordinary members, and two non-voting members (representing the Department of Health and British Heart Foundation). The council meets four times a year in addition to the Annual General Meeting held during the British Cardiovascular Society Annual Conference and Exhibition.

To date, we have over 300 members (many of whom have taken up joint BANCC-BCS membership), representing different parts of England, Scotland and Wales. We are also very keen to attract interest from colleagues in Northern Ireland, and we aim to address the balance in the near future. We also have members in Ireland and even as far afield as Australia.

Members can benefit from opportunities for funding to support their attendance at educational meetings both nationally and internationally. The BANCC Council review submitted applications twice per year (March and September). Successful applicants are asked to produce a written report for the BANCC Newsletter or submit a poster / oral presentation at the next BANCC related study event.

Information and resources are disseminated to members through regular newsletters and interaction between Council and the membership is actively encouraged to share expertise from their experience in clinical practice, education or research.
Furthermore, BANCC are approached by national agencies (e.g. National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence – NICE) on a regular basis to contribute expertise to a number of projects or consultation exercises. Our members are encouraged to represent BANCC and given opportunities to utilise their expertise in contributing to the development of national guidance or policy.

As for ongoing work, this year started with a difficult time, as our incoming President stepped down, leaving the Council with the dilemma as to how to continue the excellent work of the Association. The situation was unprecedented. Following an extraordinary meeting held last Autumn, Jan Keenan (Honorary Secretary) took up the position of Acting President. With significant help from the rest of the Council and exceptional administrative support, BANCC has been able to maintain the work of the Association as well as to progress significantly into developing areas. These include:

• Representation at international and national events and on Councils, such as the Council on Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professions (CCNAP) in Europe.
• Our contribution to the BCS Annual Conference and Exhibition 2010 is developed in partnership with the Society for Cardiological Science and Technology (SCST), Primary Care Cardiovascular Society (PCCS) and British Association for Cardiac Rehabilitation (BACR), and we are very pleased to be working in collaboration with other BCS affiliated groups.

Members of Council and BANCC members are involved in work in progress, along with members of the BCS and other organisations, to contribute to the development of the new JBS3 guidance for prevention in cardiovascular disease.

We have also been developing the research interests and focus of the Association, clarifying the contribution made by cardiovascular nurses, and actively taking forward the research agenda.

We continue to be involved in the work of the Cardiovascular Coalition (CVC), and BANCC members have been approached to contribute to the recent review of the impact of the National Service Framework for Coronary Heart Disease. We continue to develop our input in to NICE consultations, engaging the membership wherever it is possible to develop our contribution to a broad range of topic areas, and in particular, the NICE guidance on chronic heart failure, and the recently published guidance on the management of chest pain, and acute coronary syndromes, both published in March this year.

We have further promoted and developed working with BCS to offer all our members improved access to news and information, and demonstrated the benefits of joint membership.

We are further developing collaborative working with other organisations and improving links with the Royal College of Nursing Cardiovascular Nurses’ Network, and continue to work closely with the British Journal of Cardiac Nursing. We were pleased to meet some of our members, and indeed to recruit some new members, at the November 2009 ‘Nurse Led Clinics’ conference held in Manchester, in which we were pleased to have played a significant role in programme development and delivery. We are pleased to be supporting the RCN’s ‘Nursing Counts’ campaign, promoting the benefits and added-value of specialist nurses in the run-up to the 2010 general election.

The next few months will see BANCC, amongst other activities, promoting collaborative working with other agencies such as the Royal College of Nursing, British Heart Foundation and British Cardiovascular Society.

In summary, BANCC plays a key role in the development of cardiovascular care, and nursing’s role within it. BANCC is proud to have a seat on the Council of BCS and as such are at the heart of developing cardiovascular care across the country. Like any association BANCC are only as good as their membership, and as such Council would invite cardiovascular nurses of all ages, subspecialties and levels of experience to consider reaping the benefits of being part of our work.

For further information about the work of the Association, contact Jan Keenan, Acting President and Honorary Secretary on Email: bancc@bcs.com

The ‘Nursing counts’ campaign was a great success, with 25,000 people signing up, nearly half a million views of RCN’s online films and 133 MPs in the new parliament having publically backed the campaign.

In July, the RCN launched its new UK-wide campaign to empower nursing staff to protect patient care and find the genuine savings that we know the NHS can make. *Frontline First* will give nursing staff the power to tell the RCN about the cuts that they see affecting patient care, the waste in the system that is diverting resources from the frontline and the innovations and new ideas that are helping to deliver cost effective high quality care.  

The campaign website [http://frontlinefirst.rcn.org.uk/](http://frontlinefirst.rcn.org.uk/) is now live. The campaign will empower nursing staff to speak out against the cuts that impact on patient care, expose the waste in the system and champion nurse led innovations. You can also see the launch animation at [http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R5FrzoHM-3E](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R5FrzoHM-3E)

As you’ll see from the interactive map, despite pledges that NHS spending will be increased; there are many examples of cuts to NHS jobs happening right across the UK. Only through a united nursing voice will we be able to halt the decisions that negatively impact on patient care. The RCN are asking its 400,000 members to share their innovations that have saved money whilst improving care, so that efficiencies can be found in the NHS without affecting the service delivered to patients.

The RCN will need nursing staff in all parts of the UK and from *every specialism* to get involved in the campaign and help us protect health services for the future.

For further information on the campaign or how best to help the RCN, please do not hesitate to contact:

Alexander Davies, Communications Officer, Public Affairs, Royal College of Nursing  
Tel: 020 7647 3823, Email: [Alexander.Davies@rcn.org.uk](mailto:A Alexander.Davies@rcn.org.uk)

The National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence (NICE) updated guide to the technology appraisal appeal process came into effect on 16 August 2010. It focuses on the technology appraisal appeal process and provides an overview for organisations wishing to lodge an appeal.

New elements introduced in the updated guide include:

- The written appeal process
- The process for rejected appeals and multiple appeals against a Final Appraisal Determination
- Incorporating new arrangements within technology appraisals such as the patient access schemes and flexible pricing, which impacts the appeal process
- Publication of guidance post appeal

The guide can be found on the technology appraisal process guide webpage: [http://www.nice.org.uk/newsroom/publicmeetings/appeals/appealsprocessguide/foreword.jsp](http://www.nice.org.uk/newsroom/publicmeetings/appeals/appealsprocessguide/foreword.jsp)
The partial update of NICE’s chronic heart failure guideline was published earlier this week. The guidance can be found at: [http://guidance.nice.org.uk/CG108](http://guidance.nice.org.uk/CG108). A report from the BANCC representatives (Wendy Churchouse/Annie MacCallum) will follow in a future newsletter.

### NHS Evidence 2010 Update on Cardiac Rehabilitation and Atrial Fibrillation

NHS Evidence-cardiovascular, one of the three specialist collections of NHS Evidence based at University of Surrey, is delighted to inform you that the following 2010 updates are now available:

**Cardiac Rehabilitation Evidence Update.**

**Atrial Fibrillation Evidence Update**
[http://www.library.nhs.uk/cardiovascular/viewResource.aspx?resid=373641&code=ee4e1095b062b9d4347b2e0aaf53601](http://www.library.nhs.uk/cardiovascular/viewResource.aspx?resid=373641&code=ee4e1095b062b9d4347b2e0aaf53601)

### ICC Steering Group Members

BANCC recently received a copy of a letter sent to ICC (inherited cardiac conditions) Steering Group Members copied to others with an interest from Dr Huon Gray, Chair of the National Inherited Cardiac Conditions Group.

To summarise the contents of this letter, the group has done some really important work but is now being disbanded as the work on designation of ICC is being taken over by the Yorkshire and Humber Specialised Commissioning Group on behalf of the National Specialised Commissioning Group.

It is important to recognise that the designation plan makes recommendations on which areas are a priority for development. It is still up to individual SCGs (Specialised Commissioning Group) to decide which services they choose to designate locally, a decision based on local priorities and discussion with their commissioners.

To ensure that a coordinated cardiovascular agenda continues to be pursued the oversight body (the Heart Disease Advisory Group) chaired by Professor Roger Boyle will be inviting the Chair of the Association of Inherited Cardiac Conditions (AICC), and representatives of the charitable sector, to join this group.

### Know Your Pulse

More than two million people across the UK have a heart rhythm disorder (arrhythmia) and yet detection and diagnosis can be prolonged, causing suffering, worry and even premature death. Pulse checks are quick, simple and extremely low cost - yet a very effective tool for detecting potential arrhythmias. Please take two minutes to help us introduce pulse checks in the NHS and bring our heart to life.

EMAIL YOUR MP to ask them to support the ‘Know Your Pulse’ campaign. For further details, please visit: [http://pulse.knowyourpulse.org/](http://pulse.knowyourpulse.org/)
THIRD ANNUAL CONFERENCE

The premier conference and exhibition for nurses running effective clinics and services

Nurse Clinics 2010

Tuesday 9 November 2010 National Motorcycle Museum, Birmingham

“It gives me great pleasure to once again chair this popular and important event and to welcome new and returning delegates. There are few opportunities for such a large number of practitioners involved in nurse-led clinics to come together and share best practice experience so it gives me great pleasure to once again over see events and I look forward to welcoming everyone to Birmingham.”

DR RICHARD HATCHETT AUTHOR ‘NURSE LED CLINIC: PRACTICE ISSUES’, AND PRINCIPAL LECTURER, FACULTY OF HEALTH AND SOCIAL CARE, LONDON SOUTH BANK UNIVERSITY

This third national conference provides a vital platform for practitioners to listen and discuss important issues with fellow professionals about the latest developments in Nurse Clinics. Chaired by Dr Richard Hatchett, Author ‘Nurse Led Clinic: Practice Issues’ and Principal Lecturer Faculty of Health and Social Care, London South Bank University, delegates will first get the opportunity to listen to the Chair speak on the continuing development of nurse-led clinics and evidence to support the value of nurse clinics in healthcare.

The conference then continues and splits into breakout streams where delegates will have an extensive choice of speciality and focus issue sessions. Each stream is made up of morning and afternoon sessions with all delegates re-convening at 4pm for the closing address by Professor Dickon Weir-Hughes, Chief Executive and Registrar, The Nursing and Midwifery Council, focusing on the future of advanced nursing practice and nursing care. This will be followed by a panel discussion which gives the opportunity for delegates to raise questions and issues for discussion for the future of advanced nursing practice.

Conference streams and workshops include:

- Advancing Nurse Practice
- Nurse Prescribing
- Setting up Nurse Clinics
- Legal and Risk Management
- Nurse Clinics in Surgery
- Nurse Led follow up
- Nurse clinics in wound care
- Nurse clinics in Cancer Care
- Nurse clinics in Cardiac Care
- Nurse clinics in Mental Health
- Nurse clinics in Primary Care

Supported by: Royal College of Nursing, Association of Nurse Prescribing, British Association for Nursing in Cardiovascular Care, Institute of Healthcare Management, National Association of Assistants in Surgical Practice, Mental Health Practice, UKONS, Skills for Health, Cancer Nursing Practice, Education for Health and Nursing Management

Nurse Clinics 2010 is accredited by the RCN Accreditation Unit. RCN accredited events can enhance your PREP portfolio and contribute towards your continuing professional development. You will receive a framework for reflection sheet to complete for your portfolio along with a certificate of attendance.

For more information contact Keren Roberts on 020 8541 1399 or email keren.roberts@healthcare-events.co.uk. Current BANCC Members are eligible for a 15% discount. See page 20 for further details.
Heart Rhythm Congress

3-6 October 2010
Birmingham UK

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Email: melanie@heartrhythmcongress.org.uk

Promoting better understanding, diagnosis, treatment and quality of life for individuals with cardiac arrhythmias

HRC PO Box 3697 Stratford upon Avon Warwickshire CV37 8YL UK Telephone: +44 (0) 1789 450 787
Arrhythmia Alliance & Atrial Fibrillation Association:  
Regional Cardiac Update Courses 2010

Arrhythmia Alliance (A-A) and Atrial Fibrillation Association (AFA) are hosting cardiac update courses across the UK in 2010.

These meetings are aimed at all those involved in the care of, or providing a service to, patients with cardiac arrhythmias in general, as well as those specifically involved in stroke prevention in atrial fibrillation and anticoagulation.

Each course will provide a forum for primary and secondary healthcare professionals interested in improving local delivery of stroke prevention in atrial fibrillation, as well as an opportunity to assess local services and how these may be enhanced.

For further details on the programme and how to register, please visit the A-A and AFA registration page:

https://www.wavemeded.co.uk/wavehealthcare/frontend/reg/thome.csp?pageID=3832&eventID=16&eventID=16

Final programme details available on website for upcoming events in Manchester (7 September 2010) and Leeds (8 September 2010). Preliminary programme details available for all other venues.

ESC Congress 2010  
28 August – 1 September 2010  
Stockholm, Sweden

For further information, please visit the ESC website
http://www.escardio.org/CONGRESSES/ESC-2010/Pages/welcome.aspx

Cardiac Arrhythmias and Sudden Death: From Bench to Bedside 2010  
8 September 2010  
St George’s University of London

For further information, please visit:
http://www.cardiovascular-research.co.uk/symposium-2010/symposium-2010
A Practical Guide to Developing, Measuring and Maintaining Competence in Advanced Nursing Roles and Practice
23 September 2010
20 Cavendish Square, London

This eleventh national conference will provide an in depth outline of developing, measuring and maintaining Nurse Competence. Chair Kim Manley, Learning and Developing Manager, Royal College of Nursing will welcome delegates by introducing career and competence frameworks for nursing. She will go on to discuss the importance of supporting the development of nurses and enabling them to gain recognition for their knowledge skills and competence.

For more information, contact: Keren 020 8541 1399, email keren@healthcare-events.co.uk or visit: http://www.healthcare-events.co.uk/conf/booking.php?action=home&id=523

Healthcare Events are pleased to offer current BANCC members a 15% discount (quote ref 'BANCC/nursing/15%' in the 'for office use only' box on the booking form).

Clinical update: Cardiovascular disease
27 September 2010
Royal Society of Medicine, London

For further information, please visit: http://www.rsm.ac.uk/academ/condiary.php

8th UBHT Adult Congenital Heart Disease Study Day
28 September 2010
Bristol Heart Institute

For further information, please visit: http://www.bcs.com/pages/page_about.asp?PageID=336

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Heart Rhythm Congress 2010
3 -6 October 2010
Hilton Birmingham Metropole

For further information, please visit: http://www.heartrhythmcongress.com/
BACR Annual Conference  
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1 - 2 April 2010  
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- Arrhythmia Alliance  http://heartrhythmcharity.org.uk/
- Cardiac Risk In The Young  http://www.c-r-y.org.uk/index.htm

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- British Heart Foundation  http://www.bhf.org.uk/
- Council on Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professions  http://www.escardio.org/communities/councils/CCNAP/Pages/welcome.aspx
- European Society of Cardiology  http://www.escardio.org/
- Irish Cardiovascular Nurses Association  http://www.incanursing.ie/
- Royal College of Nursing  http://www.rcn.org.uk/

Professional Bodies

- Royal College of Nursing Cardiovascular Nurses' Network  http://www.rcn.org.uk/development/communities/specialisms/cardiovascular_nurses


Government Sites

- Chief Nursing Officer bulletin  http://www.dh.gov.uk/en/Publicationsandstatistics/Bulletins/Chiefnursingofficerbulletin/index.htm

- National Institute for Health and Clinical Excellence  http://www.nice.org.uk/
- Cardiovascular Diseases Specialist Library  http://www.library.nhs.uk/cardiovascular/
- Stroke Specialist Library  http://www.library.nhs.uk/stroke/
- Vascular Specialist Library  http://www.library.nhs.uk/vascular/
- National Patient Safety Agency  http://www.npsa.nhs.uk/
- National Specialised Commissioning Group  http://www.ncg.nhs.uk/
- NHS  http://www.nhs.uk/Pages/homepage.aspx

Journals

- British Journal of Cardiac Nursing  http://www.cardiac-nursing.co.uk/
- British Journal of Cardiology  http://bjcardio.co.uk/
- British Journal of Primary Care Nursing  http://www.bjpcn.com/

- Heart Online  http://heart.bmj.com/

Other Cardiac Related Sites

- Cardio & Vascular Coalition  http://www.bhf.org.uk/cvc/
- Her at Heart  http://www.heratheart.org.uk/

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