

International Pediatric Intensive Care Nursing Network - IPICNN

In 1996, at the 2nd World Congress on Pediatric Intensive Care in Rotterdam, Wil de Groot-Bolluijt (Netherlands), Patricia Moloney-Hammon(US) and Franco Carnevale (Canada) inaugurated the International Pediatric Intensive Care Nursing Network (IPICNN).

This Network would be devoted to promoting cross-national dialogue, collaboration and the promotion of PICU nursing.

IPICNN held a nursing meeting at the 3rd World Congress on Pediatric Intensive Care in Montréal 2000, at which it was decided that a means to further enhance dialogue should be created: [PICU-Nurse-International](#) was therefore created (an official egroup of IPICNN). Soon after, IPICNN created our international PICU nursing newsletter: [Journal of Pediatric Intensive Care Nursing](#)

Finally, at the Boston Congress 2003 an International Pediatric Intensive Care Nursing Association was created.

The Association can

- (a) take official positions on important nursing issues, and collaborate with other bodies (such as WFPICCS, the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses, or the International Council of Nurses);
- (b) promote educational/research activities and publications;
- (c) support nurses caring for critically ill children in disadvantaged regions of the world; among others.

Our Journal is an official publication of this Association. However, the operational specifics of the Association are currently being worked out and there was a unanimous decision taken in Boston such work should be undertaken through a consultation with the international PICU nursing community that we have access to with this egroup.

Congratulations to us all for this exciting development of OUR new Association!!!

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