Greetings,

We cordially invite you, your staff and colleagues to attend the 12th Biennial Conference of the Global Network of WHO Collaborating Centres for Nursing and Midwifery to be held in Cairns, Queensland, Australia between 17th and 19th July 2018.

The theme of the conference will be Sustainable Development Goals are Everyone’s Business, and as such we strive to come together in the “spirit of partnership and pragmatism to make the right choices now to improve life, in a sustainable way, for future generations”.

The Global Network of WHO Collaborating Centres (WHOCCs) for Nursing and Midwifery comprises dedicated WHO Collaborating Centres from the six regions of WHO, who focus on nursing and midwifery. The biennial conference helps foster new connections across disciplines and geographies, encourages dynamic small group interactions, and promotes innovative and creative thinking.

If you’re considering submitting an abstract or panel proposal, the submission deadline is 31st January 2018. You will find the call for papers with all the details on the dedicated conference website. Early Bird registration is now open. You can save up to 15% on your registration fee if you register by 4th April 2018. For abstract submission and registration, please visit the dedicated conference website:

https://www.jcu.edu.au/WHOCC2018

If you would like to help by sponsoring a nursing and midwifery colleague from a developing country to participate in the conference, please visit:


We believe everyone can play a part – big or small – in ensuring healthy lives, promoting well-being for all at all ages, and ensuring the Sustainable Development Goals can be achieved. Please join us and be part of the solution.

We look forward to seeing you in Cairns in 2018.

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