Full-term report 2014-2015

Committee Name:	Communication	
Chair:	Sharon Eustice	
Main Goals for 2014-15:	• Maximise opportunity for the ICS Nursing Committee to reach its membership about information on current news items, research, practice and education.	
Activities to date	 Continuing review of pages on the ICS nursing microsite in terms of fit for purpose and updating and adding pages/information where necessary. Regular news items with a strap line to funnel nurse members to our website. Post of Lawrence Gichini's award received in Nairobi via Twitter, Facebook and it was added to ICS enews. Post of Sharon Eustice's award received in UK from the British Journal of Nursing for her work on Femmeze[®] Post of Donna Bliss's awards for Manuscript of the Year award and two Daisy Awards (Excellence in Mentoring and also for Out of the Box Thinking as a Teacher) Introduction of a new Nursing Library resource to the ICS Nursing webpage, which was circulated by a news item via social media and a mailer to all nurse members. Development of review sheet/guidance to support the Nursing Library resource. Development of a reference page on the ICS nursing microsite. Uploading of 2014 references on website until the end of 2015 (then in Jan 2016, citations from 2015 will be uploaded and so on). Abstracts from ICS Rio 2014 were available for access on our website until 31 March 2015. Uploaded recent sub-committee reports into the relevant microsite pages. ICS Rio 2014 nursing committee notes approved. 	
Activities to be completed before ICS 2015	 a) Continuation of feeding news items to the ICS e-news/social media e.g. Nursing contribution to ICS Montreal. b) Continue to populate the Nursing Library resource: The resource is building well. Documents in the process of being added: 1. A Continence Resource Guide for Acute and Sub-acute care Settings (reviewers: Jo Booth (completed) and Karen Logan); 2. Urinary Diary and also Intervention Booklet (reviewers: Veronica Haggar (completed) and Kathleen Hunter) 	
Longer term goals of committee	 The communications sub-committee will help the Nursing Committee achieve our overall objectives. Engage effectively with other ICS committees and build strong relationships. Demonstrate the success of our work and regularly showcase examples of output from the nurse membership. Ensure that the nurse membership and wider ICS community understand what we do. To regularly gather feedback from the nurse membership to ensure we are maintaining standards. 	
Do you have any expected budget issues that need to be resolved? If so please could you outline these and provide a breakdown of costs if	No	

applicable.	
Do you require further	Not in addition to the support I already receive from the office, which is
assistance from the	extremely valuable.
Board/ICS Office?	
If so please outline	N/A
support required	

Year	Valid Members Number	Lapsed members
1999	11	
2000	12	
2001	15	
2002	18	
2003	21	
2004	26	
2005	31	
2006	37	
2007	36	
2008	51	
2009	54	
2010	61	
2011	76	
2012	134	253
2013	171	289
2014	147	369
2015	Pending final figures in September 2015	Pending final figures in September 2015

For review in September		
Location	Number of Members	
Africa	0	
Oceania	29	
Americas	64	
Asia	11	
Europe	43	
Total	147	