



## I Congreso Internacional de Enfermería Comunitaria

The 'I International Congress on Community Nursing', to be held in Spain, shall approach specialization, training and research for Family and Community Nursing specialists.

The I International Congress on Community Nursing will be held at the Municipal Palace of Congresses of the city of Madrid, Campo de las Naciones, from the 21st to the 24th of September, 2005. The Federation of Associations of Community and Primary Care Nursing (FAECAP) and one of its federated associations, the Madrid Primary Care Society (SEMAP) Congresses will be held at the same time. Over 1000 nursing professionals from all over the world are expected to attend.

The growth and consolidation of specialization, training and research, as well as of other nursing fields, will be approached in a full and rigorous manner in this 'I International Congress on Community Nursing'. During the three days, practical workshops, parallel symposia, communications, posters, a Debating Table and five Round Tables will take place. The five Round Tables that will be developed during the Congress will deal with the following issues:

- Knowing the present status of Family and Community Nursing in different countries and geographical areas.
- Analysing the status of Family and Community Nursing by means of debate and exchange of experiences between professionals.
- Debating the role of Family and Community Nursing.
- Contributing to the improvement of nursing care quality in the community.
- Fostering the institution and development of Family and Community Nursing 'best practices' networks.
- Encouraging meetings and development of Family and Community Nursing Scientific Associations.

The Opening Event will take place in the Main Auditorium of the Municipal Palace of Congresses, in Madrid, at 11:00 hrs on Thursday, September 22nd, and will be presided by the Minister of Health and Consumers, Ms Elena Salgado Méndez.

Ms Esperanza Aguirre, President of the Community of Madrid, is expected to attend on the same day, 22nd of September, to welcome the Congress attendants.

Some of the prestigious speakers who will share their professional experiences are:

- M<sup>a</sup> Nubia Romero Bailén, (Colombia). Director, Nursing College, Technological and Pedagogical University of Colombia, Tunja, Boyacá.
- Rachel Spector (United Kingdom). Former President, Transcultural Nursing Society.
- Joan Carles Contel Spain). Assistant, Primary Care Nursing, Catalonian Health Care Center, Associated Professor, University of Barcelona. Home care expert.
- Marco Marchioni (Italy). Sociologist. Community Participation training expert.
- Denise Gastaldo (Canada) Professor, University of Toronto.
- Manuela Lacida Baró. (Spain) Technician, Regional Ministry of health care care development and innovation, Andalusian Health Care Service.
- Alicia Reyes Vidal (Chile). President, Latin American Association of Nursing Colleges and Teaching Institutions.
- Concha Germán Bes (Spain). Professor, University of Zaragoza. Expert, European Tuning Project.
- Claire Goodman (United Kingdom). Director, Primary Care Nursing Research Unit. London University.
- Alberto Gálvez Toro (Spain). Director, Evidentia magazine, and Evidence Based Nursing Observatory.
- Nicky Cullum (United Kingdom). Director, Evidence Based Nursing Center, York University. Publisher, Evidence Based Nursing.
- Cristina Rey Francisco (Spain). European Union Consultant. In charge of the Cooperation with Equatorial Guinea University Program.
- Linda Latham (Ireland). President, Practice Nurses Irish Association.
- Dr. Liz Wagner (Denmark). Adviser, Nursing and Midwives, European Region World Health Organization.
- Modesta Medja (Equatorial Guinea). Guinea National Nursing Director.

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