

## Goals of the Nursing Committee of the ISBI 2012-2016

In order to achieve the mission of the Nursing Committee we need to assess the foundations of the committee for optimal functioning. These include the following actions:

1. Establish the composition of the committee with the goal that all continents be represented. ISBI nurse members will be recruited for all vacancies. Current vacancies include Western Pacific, Asia, North America, Central America, Eastern Mediterranean, and Africa.
2. Assess the professional profile of all current committee members. Committee members have preferably a masters degree in nursing science.
3. Revise and update the nursing committee bylaws (based on the bylaws of the executive committee). Bylaws include amongst other things the terms of the committee members and that the committee reports the minutes to the president of the ISBI and the Administrator Director.
4. Establish a meeting schedule between ISBI Congress conferences for Nursing Committee members. The goal is to meet virtually via Skype four times annually. These virtual meetings are to be facilitated by the ISBI administration.
5. Divide members of the Nursing Committee into working groups that focus on either education or research.
6. Initiate fundraising activities to support attendance of low income country nurses to the ISBI Congress.

Once the foundations are committed, we:

1. Organize two nursing sessions during the biennial ISBI conferences, of which one is a practical/educational session and one is a more in depth, research focused evidence based nursing session.
2. Organize an open nursing meeting during the biennial ISBI Congresses to create a networking platform for nurses from around the globe.
3. Assist the Educational Committee with the organization and content of basic and advanced nursing educational courses provided during the ISBI Congresses.
4. Assess the Nursing Award criteria.
5. Select the Nursing Award nominees and winner of the Award.
6. Recommend nurses from low income countries to the Executive Committee for receiving grants to attend ISBI congresses and/or to visit other burn centers.
7. Establish basic guidelines for nursing practice for the care of the burn-injured patient.
8. Contribute to a broader base of nursing care knowledge.
9. Establish a mechanism that allows accessibility of this information and knowledge to nurses around the globe.
10. Finalize the draft of burn nurse competencies as an official document for the ISBI website.
11. Evaluate the nursing education survey.
12. Review and update the four existing educational articles currently found on the ISBI website. The four articles include: Burn Care in the Hospital, Care of Outpatient Burns, Pain Management, and Infection Control.

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