



The Conference you've been waiting for!

The ASPAN Convention provides an ideal opportunity for you to share best practice with other nurses and to network with those working in similar areas of work.

Places are limited and we anticipate high demand, so early registration is advised.

First Call for Abstracts

This is the first call for abstracts for the conference.

Abstract Submission Deadline

31 October 2009

Abstract guide

Abstracts are invited for the following categories of presentations:

- Concurrent Oral Presentations
- Symposium/ Research Forum
- Poster Presentations

Each paper should relate to one of the following themes:

- Clinical Nursing
- Education
- Management
- Research & development
- Innovations in practice
- New roles
- Partnership and collaboration

Abstract Notification

Notification of abstract acceptance will be emailed to the author by 31 December 2009. All presenters must register for the conference.

Criteria for abstract selection

The Scientific Committee will use the following criteria for selection of abstracts:

1. Authors submitting abstracts are requested to fill out the "ABSTRACT SUBMISSION FORM" available at: www.sna.org.sg.
2. Abstracts must include the abstract title, preferred presentation type (oral, research forum or poster), names of author(s) and contact details of presenters.
3. Abstracts must indicate whether the author is a first time presenter.
4. By submitting an abstract, the author(s) agree to have the abstract published on the conference website and other conference promotional material.
5. Abstracts must be relevant to one of the conference themes. Authors are to indicate which one of the themes is appropriate for their presentation.
6. The material in the abstract should be of original work.
7. If the abstract is reporting research, it must be clear whether this is work in progress or completed research. The text must be arranged as follows: (a) purpose of the study, (b) methods, (c) results, and (d) conclusions.
8. The abstract should be written in English and should not exceed 300 words. It should be typed single spaced in MS Word format using 12-point font, regular, Times New Roman.
9. Only online-submission of abstract will be accepted.
10. All abstracts will be reviewed by the Scientific Committee. Decisions about acceptance of an abstract and mode of presentation are final.

First Announcement

7th Asian Pacific Nurses Convention



**Call For
Abstract**

**Closing date:
31 October 2009**

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For Better Health

30th June to 2nd July 2010
Meritus Mandarin Singapore
Orchard Road
Singapore





Message from Chairperson, 7th ASPAN

It is with great pleasure that I invite you to participate in the 7th Asia Pacific Nurses Convention (ASPAN) organised by the Singapore Nurses Association.

The conference theme, “N^{Power} - For Better Health” was chosen to challenge nurses to deeply contemplate the notion of the immense power within nursing as a committed force to bring about better health for all. Moving as one, nurses can take nursing to greater heights, influence healthcare and be the voice for patients.

The power of nursing comes from society’s recognition of nursing as an essential service, the pillar of healthcare systems all over the world. This was highly evident during the 2003 SARS epidemic, and more recently people were reminded during the H1N1 pandemic scare in May 09.

Power is the ability to influence others. All nurses have the power to change lives – lives we encounter in our day to day delivery of care. With honed intelligence, scientific knowledge, skilled expertise and empathetic care, nurses can make a distinctive difference in their patients’ lives, and by extension, that of their families.

I urge you to join us on this exciting journey to enhance nursing practice, education and research. Please come! Share your experience and knowledge with us, either as a speaker or participant. I look forward to meeting you at the conference!

Lee Geok Yian

Introduction

The 7th Asia Pacific Nurses Convention (ASPAN), organised by the Singapore Nurses Association, is dedicated to providing a platform for dynamic nursing leaders to share best practices to improve the health of individuals and communities. Nurses in the Asia Pacific stand at the gateway between the East and West and as such, are prepared to address cross cultural issues and trends impacting health in resource enriched and constrained settings. It is an excellent opportunity for participants to develop collaborative relationships at the international level.

Speakers will include internationally renowned trailblazers in healthcare from around the globe.

The objectives of the conference are to:

1. share how nurses have contributed to the best practices of health care systems of the world.
2. deliberate on the urgent rejuvenation of nursing.
3. share updates on the ongoing development of professional roles in health care.
4. consider the translation of research findings into practice and policies.
5. provide avenues for capacity-building partnerships across the practice, education and research sectors.
6. propose future directions for nursing to impact the health of communities.

Official Language

The official language of the conference is English.

**For more information
please visit the
conference website:
www.sna.org.sg**



Message from President, SNA

Welcome to the Asia Pacific Nurses (ASPAN) Convention 2010!

The ASPAN Convention provides an excellent avenue for the nursing community to meet and share valuable experiences and innovative ideas to improve nursing practices in the healthcare sector within the region and beyond.

The theme of the 7th ASPAN Convention - “N^{Power} - For Better Health” aptly highlights the power and ability of the nursing profession to drive the benefits of patient care integration towards better health for all. Issues to be deliberated will include nursing leadership development, regulatory efforts to streamline current practices, the use of innovative informatics and creative technology to achieve high standards in clinical care and patient safety within a conducive, nurturing learning environment.

I have confidence that the organising committee will put forth a programme to ensure an enriching, inspiring, thought-provoking and enlightening experience for everyone.

I extend a warm welcome to all delegates and hope to see you at the convention.

Penny Seet

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A Certificate of Attendance will be issued to all participants of the convention. Local Participants will be awarded CNE Units.