

The Secretariat functions as the coordinating body of the Network. It is housed within a Collaborating Centre elected by the membership of the Network for a period of four years. It is headed by a Secretary General who is the Director of the Collaborating Centre.

# Members of The Global Network

Global Network  
of World Health Organization  
Collaborating Centres For Nursing & Midwifery  
Development

## COLLABORATING CENTRES ELECTED AS SECRETARIAT:

### 2008-2012

Institution: University of São Paulo at Ribeirão Preto, College of Nursing, Brazil  
Secretary General: Prof. Dr. Isabel Amélia Costa Mendes

### 2004-2008

Institution: Glasgow Caledonian University, Scotland  
Secretary General: Professor Barbara Parfitt

### 2000-2004

Institution: George Mason University, Fairfax VA  
Secretary General: Dr Rita M Cary DNS RN FAAN

### 1998-2000

Institution: Manchester University, UK  
Secretary General: Professor Tony Butterworth

### 1994-1998

Institution: Yonsei University College of Nursing, South Korea  
Secretary General: Dr Mo Im Kim

### 1990-1994

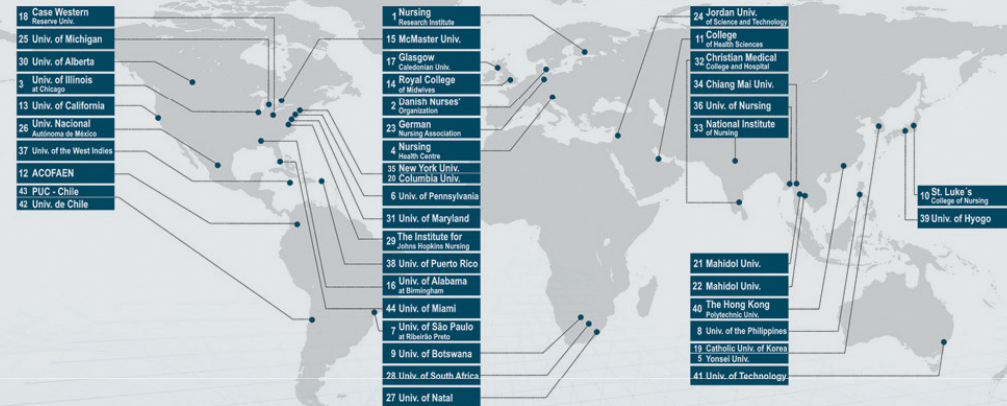
Institution: University of Illinois, Chicago  
Secretary General: Dr Mi Ja Kim



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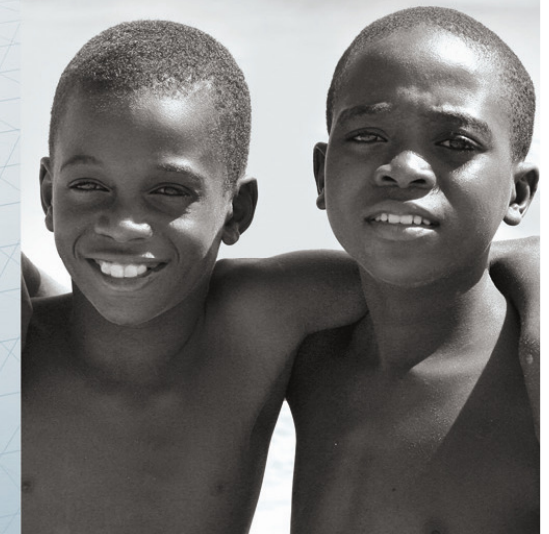
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## Information Summary



# Who We Are

## The Global Network Secretariat

## What Is a WHO Collaborating Centre?

Founded in 1990, the Global Network of WHO Collaborating Centres (WHOCCs) for Nursing and Midwifery Development is an independent, international, non-profit, voluntary organisation comprising the worldwide WHOCCs as its members. At its core, the membership includes internationally renowned nursing and midwifery leaders, underlining the significance of this expert group.

### GLOBAL NETWORK OF WHO COLLABORATING CENTRES

#### VISION

Health for All Through Nursing and Midwifery Excellence.

#### MISSION

The Mission of the Global Network is to maximize the contribution of nursing and midwifery in order to advance states, member Centres, NGOs, and others interested in promoting the health of populations. The Network will carry out advocacy and evidence based policy activities within the framework of WHA and regional resolutions and the WHO Programs of work. The Global Network has an elected governing body consisting of a Secretary General and an Executive Committee. The secretariat is elected from the member Collaborating Centres for a period of four years and it functions as the coordinating body of the Network.

The Secretariat of the Global Network is hosted by the WHO Collaborating Centre for Nursing Research Development at the University of São Paulo at Ribeirão Preto College of Nursing, Brazil. Between July 2008 and July 2012, Isabel Amélia Costa Mendes serves as the Secretary-General and Carla A. Arena Ventura as the Executive Coordinator.

The mission assumed by this Secretariat is:

To build upon the structure and work developed by the previous Secretariats and synergistically gather Collaborating Centres around common activities focusing on the goals of WHO.

#### KEY AREAS

**VISIBILITY:** to show the importance of what Nursing and Midwifery do to improve the health conditions of populations all over the world.

**ACTION:** to work together on projects to strengthen nursing activities aimed at scaling-up Nursing and Midwifery human resources through:

- Permanent education programs
- Development of learning materials library
- Pilot projects on WHO Collaborating Centre's common areas of work in WHO priority countries
- Development of global bank of Nursing and Midwifery training institutions.

**PARTNERSHIPS:** to build relationships with different stakeholders with a view to partnering up for global projects.

A WHO Collaborating Centre is an institution designated by the World Health Organization (WHO) to work on its programme priorities. WHOCCs also strengthen institutional capacity in countries and regions and may carry out one or several of the following functions:

- collection and dissemination of information
- development, application and evaluation of appropriate technology
- provision of reference services, such as quality assurance
- participation in collaborative research developed under WHO's leadership, including the planning, conduct, monitoring and evaluation of research, and the promotion of the application of its results.
- education and training, including research training
- coordination of activities carried out by several institutions on a given subject

