

What is the World Forum for Parish Nursing?

The World Forum for Parish Nursing began as an outgrowth of the 2004 Westberg Symposium Preconference, "Parish Nursing Outside of North America." The presenters and participants of the pre-conference felt there was increasing interest in international parish nursing and all attendees of the Westberg Symposium were invited to a meeting to discuss global parish nursing. There, workgroups were formed to research and develop data and resources that would establish a foundation for international parish nurse practice. To date the World Forum for Parish Nursing has met each year on the evening before the Westberg Symposium. This enables any international Parish Nurses at the Westberg to meet with other Parish Nurses to discuss global activities and interest in parish nursing.

In 2008, the IPNRC established a position dedicated to work with the growing number of international partners in the World Forum. The Director of International Programs and Coordinator's Support is Maureen Daniels and her role is to:

- Make contact with parish nurse groups nationally and internationally to promote parish nursing and health ministry.
- Serve as liaison to the World Forum for Parish Nursing, and host annual World Forum event and Annual Meeting.
- Coordinate materials for the Work Groups of the World Forum.
- Maintain communications with the World Forum for Parish Nursing. Coordinate and teach Parish Nurse Basic Preparation Courses, Coordinator's Courses and other courses locally and internationally as requested.

The Mission:

The World Forum for Parish Nursing Ministries is committed to promoting intentional care of the spirit by integrating faith and health in wholistic nursing care locally, nationally, and internationally.

Objectives:

1. To provide a mechanism for sharing Parish Nursing ideas, best practices, education, theology and ministry development.
2. To support those who advocate Parish Nursing locally, nationally and internationally.

If interested in more information, contact [Maureen Daniels](#).