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ACN PRESIDENT AND CEO BOTH ATTEND ICN CONGRESS AND CNR MEETING

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) President, Professor Christine Duffield FACN, and CEO, Adjunct Professor Kylie Ward FACN are currently attending the International Council of Nurses Congress being held in Barcelona, Spain. The Congress runs from 27 May – 1 June and follows on from the Council of National Nursing Association Representatives (CNR) meeting held from 25-27 May.

Held every four years, the Congress provides the opportunity for nurses to share global nursing knowledge and leadership across specialties, cultures and countries.

This year, with a record 8,190 nurses representing 135 nationalities attending, the Congress is exploring nurses' leading role in the transformation of care, with a particular focus on universal health coverage, global policy leadership, the Sustainable Development Goals and human resources for health.

The main objectives of the Congress are:

- To demonstrate and advance the nursing contribution to informed and sustainable health policies
- To support nursing's contribution to evidence-based healthcare and to encourage problem-solving approaches to health priority needs
- To provide opportunities for an in-depth exchange of experience and expertise within and beyond the international nursing community

More information can be found at <http://www.icnbarcelona2017.com/en/>

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Notes to Editors:

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) is the national professional organisation for all nurse leaders and its aim is to ensure that the Australian community receives quality nursing care now and in the future. ACN is a membership organisation with members in all states and territories, health care settings and nursing specialties. ACN is also the Australian member of the International Council of Nurses headquartered in Geneva.

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ACN, an organisation not afraid to intelligently challenge industry issues affecting the nursing profession or Australia's health care, is a well-connected and educated national body that drives change with people of influence to enhance the delivery of health services to the Australian community. ACN advances the skills and expertise of nurses to provide leadership in their contribution to the policy, practice and delivery of health care.

A membership organisation with members in all states and territories, health care settings and nursing specialities, ACN's membership includes many nurses in roles of influence, including senior nurses, organisational leaders, academics and researchers.

What is the role of ACN to media?

- ACN provides trusted, well supported information about Australia's health care system, the delivery of health care, nursing leadership and the nursing profession.
- ACN has a number of spokespeople within the organisation who can comment on Australia's health care system, the delivery of health care, nursing leadership and the nursing profession.
- ACN offers media with an alternative voice to that of an industrial relations perspective.
- ACN is in-the-know and can comment on health care matters of interest.
- ACN can respond to media requests in a timely manner and with subject/clinical expert's available on-hand for further discussion.
- ACN regularly responds to government updates pertaining to Australia's health care system.

What role does ACN play?

ACN is here to act and deliver results as agents of change. They are working towards a brighter future through advancing nurse leadership to enhance the delivery of health care to all. The organisation provides nurse leaders with access to relevant information, support and education that will enhance Australia's reputation on the world stage.

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