

Update from APNLC and Nursing in the USAPI

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APNLC update

- APNLC Board Members:
 - President: Lele Ahmu, (AS)
 - VP: Hillia Langrine, (RMI)
 - Secretary: Doris Raimon, (Yap)
 - Board members: Margaret Harttori-Uchima and Kris Qureshi (Guam and HI)
- June 2019 APNLC meeting scheduled for CNMI was cancelled due Typhoon recovery underway
- Next meeting: June 8-12th, 2020, in Palau
- Open items:
 - Review and revise strategic plan, the plan is to be in alignment with the PIHOA strategic plan
 - APNLC members would like an infection control course that includes MRSA prevention and management
 - Rogosin Institute funded a Healthy Nurses- Healthy People pilot project. Kathy Wood leading the efforts on this project.

Key global issues identified, -- vary by jurisdiction

Nursing workforce issues:

- Sense of increasing patient complexity (pts. with multiple chronic diseases)
- Reported issues with preparation of new grads to manage complex patients
- In many jurisdictions the current workforce is aging, retired nurses continue to work- what will happen when they leave the workforce and others retire or become ill?
- Comprehensive data for the USAPI nursing workforce as a region is old (2010)

What have nurses asked for?

- Updates for skills, basic and for complex patients, and infection control
- Specialty training – renal, end of life, critical care
- Patient acuity and volume and nursing intensity analysis
- Nursing workforce assessment, to compare current and future supply to current and future needs
- Note: Funding resources available for assessment and analysis, require PIHOA approval to undertake

Thank you, questions???

