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### ARBEITSGRUPPE / GROUPE DE TRAVAIL:

Arbeitsgruppe für kardiovaskuläres Assistenz- und Pflegepersonal Working Group for Cardiovascular Nurses and Allied Professionals

VORSTAND / COMITÉ	
Name / Vorname Nom / Prénom	Funktion Fonction
Masson, Nicolas	President
Bischoff, Seraina	Vice President / Treasurer
Leventhal, Marcia	Past President
Eggimann, Brigitte	President Interessengruppe für
	Herzinsuffizienzberaterinnen
Mathis, Christine (Andreas Rytz starting Nov 2010)	President Interessengruppe für Assistenzpersonal
	Rhythmology

# TÄTIGKEIT DER ARBEITSGRUPPE / ACTIVITÉS DU GROUPE DE TRAVAIL

The Working Group for Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professionals (WG-CNAP) has, in 2010, focused on building its network within Switzerland and Europe.

## 2010 Activities of the Working Group:

- Co-hosted of the 10th Annual Meeting of the Council on Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professions of the ESC
- Obtained agreement with the SGK to increase participation in the Annual Meetings with a scientific session and possible joint sessions
- Supported of the specialty Interest Groups within the WG
- Established contact with the Industry for sponsoring of the WG-CNAP
- Supported for continuing education programs for nurses and allied professionals in Switzerland
- Increased membership
- Improved networking within Switzerland and Internationally

# 10th Annual Meeting of the CCNAP of the ESC 2010

The primary activity of the WG-CNAP in 2010 was to co-host of the 10th annual meeting of the Council on Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professions of the European Society of Cardiology in Geneva, March 11 & 12, 2010. The meeting was hailed as a great success, with nurses and allied professionals attending from Switzerland, most European countries, as well as from North America, Africa, Asia and Australia. The opening session was a special highlight with a presentation and video of the 'European Heart for Children' by the ESC President Roberto Ferrari. This is a project of the ESC for children with congenital heart disease in developing countries. In addition, the meeting included abstract and poster presentations, special sessions, and a presentation by the Swiss REGA. The meeting offered the opportunity for Swiss nurses and allied professionals to meet professionals from all over the world. During the meeting, nurses and allied professionals were asked to fill out a questionnaire on their practices on their support of adherence in patients. The results of this questionnaire were published in the European Journal of Cardiovascular Nursing , (2011 Mar;10(1):14-21. Epub 2010 Nov 20. Berben L et al. Which interventions are used by health care professionals to enhance medication adherence in cardiovascular patients? A survey of current clinical practice.).

#### **Interest Groups**

<u>IG Herzinsuffizienzberaterinnen</u>: In November 2010, the IG-HIB held their Annual Meeting together with their annual Continuing Education program. Twenty-three heart failure nurses attended. The IG-HIB increased their membership

to 50 members in 2010. The board met three times in 2010, completed their introductory flyer for the IG, and completed their website: www.ig-hib.ch

<u>IG Assistenzpersonal Rhythmology</u>: The IG-AR held their GV in November 2010 within the annual meeting of the Working Group for Pacemakers and Electrophysiology. Sixteen members attended the GV. Andreas Rytz was named the new president of the IG. The board met three times in 2010, and presented 3 continuing education programs. Membership has grown to 47. Website: http://www.ig-ar.ch

### **WG-CNAP Board:**

The president, Nicolas Masson, participated in the CCNAP/ESC meeting of the National Societies during the ESC annual congress and the CCNAP annual meeting. This is the platform to increase the networking for cardiovascular nurses and allied professionals in European countries. The board met once in 2010, however most communication was via email or telephone.

Unfortunately for the WG, Nicolas Masson resigned his position as president of the WG at the end of the year due to a job conflict.

Seraina Bischoff, who had been vice president, declined the position of president due to family reasons (a new son!) and has asked to change to the position of treasurer. Marcia Leventhal, as past president, took on the position of president ad interim until a new president can be elected.

The presidents of the respective Interest Groups, remain board members representing the interest groups. A new call for board members will be made prior to the GV in June 2011.

### Challenges and Goals for the upcoming year:

First and foremost, new members will be recruited to the board. Many members have voiced interest and the commitment to building and improving the WG is strong. A stable board is a priority.

The website will be completed and used as a communication platform for members and to recruit new members.

A scientific session and Workshop in collaboration with the Working Group on Cardiovascular Nursing of the Swiss Association for Nursing Science will take place during the annual meeting of the SGK.

Relationships with the Interest Groups will be continued and improved.

A bank account for the WG will be opened.

Sponsoring for the WG to support the website and activities of the WG will be secured.

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