



European Federation of Critical Care Nursing Associations

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Position Statement on workforce requirements within European Critical Care Nursing

In April 2006, the European Federation of Critical Care Nursing Association undertook an extensive literature review of scientific databases with the aim of producing an informed statement on the nursing workforce requirements for critical care environments. The project forms part of an international collaboration of expert critical care nurses from Europe.

This position statement aims to offer clear guidance to assist governments, national nursing associations, health services managers and other interested stakeholders developing an appropriate critical care-nursing workforce to deliver high quality healthcare for patients.

The EfCCNa Workforce committee discussed the first draft, of this position statement in October 2006. Amendments to the second draft, were completed during the spring meeting in April 2007. The council of representatives in Oulu, Finland ratified the final version.

As the EfCCNa President it is with great pleasure that I enclose this position statement. I hope you will find it stimulating and helpful in the strategic planning of workforce needs for critical care nursing services within your country.

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