

## **Global Research Nurses Skill Sharing Workshop Report : Crystal Palace Hotel Enugu Nigeria October 11<sup>th</sup> &12<sup>th</sup> 2018**

The workshop was attended by 120 total participants over two days. The registration of the workshop was done through Google form from which 188 potential participants registered while 15 persons sent in email to the provided emails during programme announcements. The workshop was announced through Global Alliance for Nurses and Midwives (GANM), Global Health Online (GHDOnline), Health Information For All (HIFA), through local nursing research groups, Head of nursing services departments of Public and private hospitals in Nigeria, Through nursing blogs and nursing whatsapp groups.



Participants came from different States in Nigeria such as Enugu (host city), Anambra, Ebonyi, Imo, Abia, Abuja, Kogi, Lagos, Delta, Rivers. Majority of participants came from the Southeast region where the programme was hosted. Participants came from Public hospitals and clinics, Private hospitals and clinics, research facilities, research groups/organizations, Religious nursing research groups, research foundations and organizations and institutions such as Jhpiego, University of Nigeria Teaching Hospital, National Neuro-psychiatric hospital Enugu, Nnamdi Azikiwe University Teaching Hospital Nnewi, defence academy Kaduna, Federal Teaching Hospital Ebonyi State, National Research Institute Abuja, Enugu State University Teaching hospital, National Orthopaedic Hospital Enugu, Imo State Nursing Research Organization, etc. Attached are participants credentials.

The workshop was sponsored by The Global Health Network (TGHN) under Global Research Nurses (GRN). Blue Torch Home Care received the stationary/promotional materials from The Global Health Network, University of Oxford consisting of 2500 Cards, 500 pens, 500 lanyards and 50 USB Memory sticks with a letter signed by the Director Prof. Trudie Lang confirming the materials as a donation without any commercial value but for academic purposes.

The programme commenced at 8:00am after confirmation of registration and registrations of walk-in participants. Ralueke Ekezie introduced The Global Health Network (TGHN) and the Global Research Nurses (GRN) pointing out the work they have done in Nigeria through The Global Health Trials and the Global Research Nurses. He said that the GRN programme for Nurses started in 2014 and has been on since then till date through which Blue Torch Home Care Limited and have trained about 295 nurses in nursing research and clinical nursing research , formed nursing research groups in 4 South-eastern states in Nigeria. He concluded by welcoming the participants to the workshop and encouraged them to register on the GRN website to become members and learn through the e-learning courses and also network with other researchers through TGHN website.

Dr Iheanacho a nursing research Lecturer at University of Nigeria Enugu Campus(UNEC) used an hour to drill the participants on “Writing a Research Protocol and proposal”





Followed by 2 hours of presentation by Prof. Anarado first one hour on “Informed Consent and Ethics in Clinical nursing research” and second hour on “Mentoring in Clinical Nursing research”



From 11:30-12:00 noon, the participants went for tea break/refreshments and were also introduced to how to register to become members on the GRN website,



a back room of 12 tables with 8 seats were arranged for the day discussion. Numbers from 1-12 were distributed among the participants.



Questions were asked to the first two presenters who provided answers to the participants .

From 12:30pm to 2:30pm Dr. Elize Pietersen made a virtual presentations via Skype on “Scope and standards of practice of clinical research nurses” and “Research Nurses role in clinical Trials”

Questions were asked to Elize immediately after her presentation which she responded to questions via Skype.

Participants proceeded for Lunch which ended at 3:30pm. The groups were instructed to match the numbers they picked with the corresponding number of the back room for discussions. Topics were placed on the seats for each group to discuss for 10 minutes, and select one person who will present their summary to the entire participants. Each group selected a presenter and were given 2 minutes each to summarise their groups work. (discussed topics) The topics were derived from all topics presented on first day.









The group presentation ended at about 3:56pm and the programme was ended for the first day. USD memory stick was given to each group representative.







12<sup>th</sup> Oct 2018: Second day of the event kicked off with a presentations on “Processes of clinical research Data analysis” for an hour and followed with a topic on “Introduction to Clinical Data Management” by ONYIAPAT (Mrs) a Research lecturer at Nursing sciences department University of Nigeria Enugu Campus and a GRN group member. Her presentation lasted for two hours and ended at 10:00am



Participants proceeded with refreshment (Tea break) which lasted for 30 minutes and ended at 10:30am followed by questions to the first presenter on the topics

she presented. Answers were provided to the questions raised as well as contributions from other resource persons.

The next presentation on “Dissemination of Research Findings in Clinical nursing research” was presented by Mrs Tayo Owoade a staff of National Hospital Abuja from Global Clinical Trials Abuja. She discussed in details how and processes research findings could be disseminated to the end users. Her presentation lasted for an hour from 11am to 12:00 noon.



The next presentation came from Dr. F.T Sibeudu (Mrs) a clinical instructor and research lecturer at Namdi Azikiwe University Nnewi campus Anambra State, who presented “Funding resources for clinical research / available to clinical research nurses” drilling the participants on various ways to get funding for their various research work. She highlighted on the funds at local level, organizational level, state level, federal level and international level. She pointed out to the nurses that they require to embrace writing research proposals as well as its budget in for them to be able to apply for research funding and in most cases require a team to do so.

She opted to take on her questions at the same time from all participants and treat them one after the other.





Her presentation started at 12:00 noon and ended at 1:00pm, the participants went for Lunch which lasted for another hour to 2:00pm. During the lunch period, the participants were divided into groups using number system as in the first day but reshuffled in a way that participants were in different groups than the first day.



The last presentation of the day came from Ralueke Ekezie (Mr) Chief Executive officer Blue Torch Home Care Limited and the workshop coordinator. He presented on “Career pathway for clinical research Nurses in Nigeria and Africa”. He discussed in details how nurses can achieve a career in nursing research either working in an organization as team member, freelancing or independent contractors also highlighted the different roles nurses play in nursing research and clinical nursing research. His presentation lasted for an hour and ended by 3:00pm.



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The group discussion lasted for 10 minutes where each group selected one person to present the group's summary of their given topics to entire participants.

Second day programmes were moderated By: Ms. Obiekwu Adaobi, Ms. Ajibo Rita & Mrs Mercy Okenwa GRN Group members in Southeast Nigeria.









Group presentation commenced at 3:10pm and ended at 3:35pm and was followed by issuing of certificate to participants. All group representatives who presented their summary were issued with a USB Memory Stick from The Global Health Network by Mrs Owoade.







The programme ended at around 3:55pm with a vote of thanks by Ralueke Ekezie (Mr) who acknowledged the sponsors of the programme TGHN, GRN, Resource persons, all the GRN Personnel in South-east and all participants for coming to the workshop and wished everyone safe trip back to their destinations

***For Blue Torch Home Care Limited  
Ralueke Ekezie***