Second PNAE Congress on Paediatric Nursing

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Glasgow June 2013. 7-8 June 2013 at The Scottish Exhibition and Conference Centre in Glasgow, Scotland

The Paediatric Nursing Associations of Europe (PNAE) in collaboration with children’s nurses in the United Kingdom supported the second two-day PNAE Congress on Paediatric Nursing. It took place alongside the 6th Europaediatrics Conference, and the Annual Royal College of Paediatrics and Child Health (RCPCH).

A framework was set at the outset:

Deadline for abstract submission 14th January 2013.
Deadline for early registration 14th January 2013
Deadline for pre-registration 22nd March 2013.
Deadline for late registration 17th May 2013.

Thank you to the Scientific Committee
Chair Jane Coad, United Kingdom; Members Christine English, United Kingdom
Jim Richardson, United Kingdom; Ingrid Hankes-Drielsma, The Netherlands
Ayşê Ferda Ocakçi, Turke; Anne-Marie Bangels, Belgium

Local Organising committee
Chair Joanna Smith, UK; Members Jean Davies, UK and Fiona Smith, UK

Submissions and Programme

Over 200 attended over the two days.

129 submitted abstracts were evaluated by the Scientific Committee and JC run the review process to finalise the list of accepted abstracts and their form or presentation.

67 abstracts were accepted to be presented as concurrent presentations, 38 abstracts presented as posters and 1 abstract presented as lunchtime fringe / workshop.
20 abstracts we rejected.

Following on, we re-reviewed 2 student (rejected abstracts) and accepted
11 were invited speakers as keynote addresses

Interactive workshops & Fringe events

Roundtables
Posters with timed presentations

And Hospital visits/Social drinks reception & networking including a Scottish Piper.

A stand was provided following a request to the conference company for PNAE which was very popular and well supported.

Topics included:

- Ethical issues: dignity and humanity
- Meeting the Rights of the Child
- Effective communication and participation of children, young people and their families
- Child protection and managing risk
- Managing and assessing children’s pain
- Complex health care and chronic disease management
- Emergency and unscheduled care
- Specialist children’s medical and surgical nursing
- Adolescent care and transition to adult services
- Cross-cultural nursing and multidisciplinary team working
- Professional issues in nursing including accountability, new roles and new ways of working
- Nursing education, management and leadership
- Service development and quality improvement
- Child mental health and the promotion of wellbeing

Evaluation
This was very positive on quality and organisation. Shared bags with RCPCH were congratulated. Some issues related conflicts with timing across medical and nursing programme.
Busy queues on day one at the information desk.
Some early marketing and e-bulletin issues were challenging.

In summary very well received conference with many highlights and successes

Even the fire during the last presentations did not stop us!