



ACNAP

Association of Cardiovascular
Nursing & Allied Professions

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Dear President,
Dear Chair,
Dear Colleague,

Since last August 2018 the ESC Council of Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professions (CCNAP) has evolved to form the Association of Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professions (ACNAP), one of the seven associations of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC).

ACNAP mission is to support nurses and allied health professionals throughout Europe to deliver the best possible care to patients with cardiovascular disease and their families. We do this through the creation and delivery of a diverse programme of activities, including education, research and mentorship. You will find enclosed a short presentation of who we are and what we do.

I would like to take this opportunity to introduce myself as new Chair of ACNAP National Societies Committee. I have been a member of CCNAP for many years and was a member of the Education Committee for 6 years. I have dual citizenship from the USA and Ireland. My Diploma of nursing was from a school in the USA, my bachelor's in Nursing is from Austria and my Master's degree in Cardiology is from the United Kingdom. I have also worked as a nurse in many different states in the USA and countries in Europe, so I know there are differences in education, scope of practice etc. Nurses play a pivotal role in patient care and we are confident that a cross-collaboration in between communities and countries would improve the Community's needs, practice and share knowledge. Development of new ideas and initiatives is a prerogative of the ACNAP National Societies Committee (NSC) and your involvement, enthusiasm and active support will be essential to meet our common goals.

Connecting and involving the National Nursing societies has been identified as a top priority since the ACNAP launch. As such, we started a mapping to better know you, your leadership, your activities and initiate a discussion on how can we provide mutual support to meet our missions and serve the Nurses Community across the globe.

Lynne Hinterbuchner,
ACNAP Chair, National Societies Committee



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