Wishing you all a very happy and prosperous new year!

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Dear Colleague,

On behalf of the EuSEN board I wish you a prosperous and healthy 2020 with many happy moments for you and your loved ones.

But first, maybe the less good news. After the first EuSEN congress in 2019, we had announced that the next EuSEN congress would take place in 2020. But we have been a bit too energetic. After all, the preparation of a high-quality international congress requires a lot of time and energy. Because the time frame is rather short, we decided with the EuSEN board to hold the next EuSEN congress in May 2021 in Brussels (Belgium). In the next EuSEN newsletter the call for abstracts and the final date of the congress will be published.

In 2020 EuSEN wants to focus on strengthening the links between the EuSEN organization on the one hand and the individual members and the national member organizations and on the other hand between the different member organizations as well. After all, direct and transparent communication lines between EuSEN and the member organizations are of crucial importance to make the information flows as efficient as possible. We have noticed in the past that not all information distributed by EuSEN reached the members of the national member organizations of emergency nurses. Therefore, an update of the information database of all member organizations is currently being carried out.

In 2020, this will certainly be a top priority because one of EuSEN’s core objectives is to strengthen the ties between the organizations of emergency nurses in Europe.

In this newsletter you can find a brief summary of the presentations on the nursing track of the previous EUSEM congress in Prague. The complete ppt-presentations, if available, can be found on the EuSEN website.

On page 5 a question is launched to participate in an international survey on the knowledge and existence of procedures around CBRN.

You can find also an article on the issue of violence in the emergency department. The American Emergency Nursing Organization (ENA) has launched an awareness and information campaign on the problem of violence in emergency departments. After all, emergency nurses are very vulnerable and therefore violence at the workplace is not tolerated. In Europe, too, we are increasingly confronted with violence at our services. As a professional group and as a society, we certainly have to put a stop to this. That is why EuSEN strongly supports this campaign.

Finally, don’t forget to renew your individual EuSEN membership for the year 2020. Again this year the cost price will be kept very low (15 Euro).

On behalf of the EuSEN Board

Door Lauwaert
Organization of emergency nursing care

- Integrated triage by Tessa Postuma (NL)

**WHAT IS NTS? NTS = Guideline for triage used by:**
- General Practitioners (after office hours)
- Emergency Departements (ED’s)
- 112

- The organization of acute neurovascular care by Peter Stap & Rianne Lam (NL)

**Summary**
- No deviation of non stroke patients after concentration of stroke care
- Decrease in self-referrals
- Increase in workpressure
- Increase of intra venous thrombolisation and intra arterial thrombolisation

- What last year’s literature learned us about: ED crowding by Christien Van der Linden (NL)

Emergency nursing education

- Advanced Practice Nursing in Emergency Care by Bart Huybrechts (NL)

- What last year’s literature learned us about: ED nursing education by Thordis Thorsteinsdottir (ISL)

**Outline of the presentation**
- Emergency nursing education
- The challenges of educating emergency nurses
- Emergency nursing today
- Teaching strategies
- The future of emergency nursing education

- What last year’s literature learned us about: simulation as an educational intervention by Thorsteinn Jonsson (ISL)

**Simulation in health care:**
- Popular and growing form of learning method
- Complex working environment
- Fewer learning opportunities
- More emphasis teamwork
- Increased emphasis on patient safety

**Conclusions:**
- Many simulation articles
- Many journals
- Simulation benefits and methods is still being explored
- Need for more research in the field of simulation to see the real benefits of this kind of teaching method

Implementing evidence based care

- Introduction to implementation science by Jochen Bergs (B)

**Implementation Science ... the summary**
- Implementation Science is the way to go
- Conceptual richness many concepts exist
- We suffer from empirical poverty as many concepts have not been tested rigorously
- We need to bridge research and practice

- Protocol adherence in emergency care by Remco Ebben (NL)

**Key-messages**
1. Evidence/guidelines/protocols doesn’t implement itself!
2. Multiple influencing factors related to the professional, the guideline/protocol, the organisation, and the social context
3. Effective strategies to improve guideline adherence:
   - Lack of evidence (especially in prehospital setting)
   - Education, reminders, audit and feedback (sole or combined) seem effective
   - Tailoring seems effective
4. More, rigorous (randomized, controlled) research is needed

- Implementing nursing handover: a hospitals journey by Christian Gilot & Jochen Bergs (B)

**PRO’s**
- Respect and preservation of existing elements
- Scientific framework and statistical support increased reliability
- Working within a project group with diversity in width and height
- Facilitator is neutral and monitored the process
- Essential guide in the course of the project
- No imposed content by the University of Hasselt
- Triggering the initiative and creativity of participants
- Great acceptance from the hospital management of the bottom-up propositions
- The “innovative process” has become a “normalized process”

**Pitfalls**
- Implementing new tools and applications on an old ICT platform
- Lack of Medical-Nurse Electronic Patient File
- Timeline holiday periods/Hospital fusion period
- Keep focus on motivation and feedback
Emerging topics in emergency nursing

- Operations research & simulation: a case study by prof. dr. Kris Braekers (B)

Outline
- Operations Research
  - What, how & why?
  - (Computer) simulation
- Simulation in healthcare/EDs
  - Why simulation is a great tool
  - Why it isn’t
  - How you can help
- Case study

- Pediatric sedation by nurses in the ED by Koen vanhonsebrouck (B)

Conclusions:
- Sedation has many forms
- As nurses .... important piece of the sedation puzzle!!
- Crucial steps:
  - Pain management
  - Comfort
  - Safety

- Preventing Occupational Exposure to Health Care Workers in the ED by Saskia Van Kemseke (B)
Survey on CBRN

Dear colleague,

In cooperation with EUSEM, a survey is being launched within the emergency care sector for doctors, nurses and ambulance service providers concerning the knowledge of CBRN procedures. The intention is to get an overview of the training, the knowledge, the existing procedures etc. concerning CBRN.

The results of this survey will be made available as soon as they have been evaluated and will be used for recommendations.

It takes about 7 minutes to complete the survey. You can choose the language to fill in the survey.

May we ask you to spread this survey widely among the emergency nurses of your country.

Thank you very much for your cooperation.

**English version**
Weblink: https://nl.surveymonkey.com/r/RJ7K9HT

**French version**
Weblink: https://fr.surveymonkey.com/r/PXVP9HD

**Spanish version**
Weblink: https://es.surveymonkey.com/r/5G55JFF

**Italian version**
Weblink: https://nl.surveymonkey.com/r/YXLL978
Workplace Violence

Violence in emergency departments has reached epidemic levels and emergency nurses are particularly vulnerable. In fact, the healthcare industry leads all other sectors in the incidence of nonfatal workplace assaults, and the emergency department is a particularly vulnerable setting. It’s currently a felony to assault an emergency nurse in the USA in 31 states, and they are working hard to make it a felony in all 50 states.

ENA believes emergency nurses have the right to education and training related to the recognition, management, and mitigation of workplace violence. The mitigation of workplace violence requires a “zero tolerance” environment instituted and supported by hospital leadership.

The resources below were designed to help emergency nurses conduct and participate in research and quality improvement initiatives aimed at preventing, mitigating, and reporting workplace violence.

No Silence on ED Violence

According to surveys by the American College of Emergency Physicians and the Emergency Nurses Association, almost half of emergency physicians report being physically assaulted at work, while about 70 percent of emergency nurses report being hit and kicked while on the job. Furthermore, the vast majority – 80 percent – of emergency physicians say violence in the emergency department harms patient care. Similarly, emergency nurses report that the harmful consequences of experiencing a violent event at work interfere with the delivery of high-quality patient care.

The frequency of violent attacks on nurses, physicians and patients in the emergency departments in the USA is unconscionable and unacceptable. For medical professionals, being assaulted in the emergency department must no longer be tolerated as “part of the job.”

In an effort to meaningfully minimize these attacks and protect emergency department professionals, ENA and ACEP launched a new campaign called “No Silence on ED Violence.” This joint effort aims to support, empower and provide the resources our respective members need to effect safety improvements at their workplace, while engaging state and federal policymakers, stakeholder organizations and the public at large to generate action to address this crisis.

Link to campaign: https://www.facebook.com/NoSilenceonEDViolence/

As violence is also a growing problem in European emergency departments, the European Society for Emergency Nursing is strongly supporting this campaign.
Now offering two Emergency Medicine CME Courses in Florence, Italy!

20–22 April 2020
Emergency Quality Improvement Professional (EQUIP) Certification Course
3-day professional development & certification course providing valuable clinical knowledge and quality assurance skills to an international community of EM clinicians.

Offered by Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center Department of Emergency Medicine, a Harvard Medical School teaching hospital

Endorsed by European Society for Emergency Medicine

18–19 April 2020
Neurological Emergencies
2-day course providing updates, best practices, and new algorithms to diagnose neurological symptoms, quickly identify a neurological emergency, and optimize outcomes for high-risk patients.

Offered by Beth Israel Deaconess Medical Center and Massachusetts General Hospital, Harvard Medical School teaching hospitals

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10% discount for EUSEN members (enter the discount code «EUSEN» during registration)

Learn more and register at www.EDQualityInstitute.org

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20 February 2020 Brussels
The Specialist Nurse in European Healthcare towards 2030

INVITATION ESNO CONGRESS

"SPECIALIST NURSES IN EUROPEAN HEALTHCARE TOWARDS 2030"
Education, Harmonisation, Recognition

"ESNO is a non-profit organisation representing nurses in Europe through specialty member organisations from all health domains, including informal networks, institutes and individual specialist nurses. With its advanced competencies and expertise, ESNO contributes to health issues and themes, and promotes harmonisation of education towards recognition of the specialist nurse in a European context."

The second of the three linked congresses (2019-2020-2021) with the same theme and in 2020 emphasise on the importance of Harmonised education, Common Training Frameworks and recognition in the European context. The place to meet European specialist nurses in the greatest variety of health domains

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5-7 November 2020 | Gothenburg, Sweden
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Submit abstracts by 24 April 2020

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Are you interested in Emergency Nursing?
Then join the European Society for Emergency Nursing NOW!

The society’s aim is to promote nursing activities in the field of emergency care.

The Society’s purpose is:
• to promote science and art of nursing in emergency care
• to promote contacts, exchange and cooperation between European emergency nursing associations
• to represent emergency nurses within and outside of Europe
• to draft and promote standards for training, implementation of the profession and management in the field of emergency nursing
• to harmonize the training of emergency nursing across Europe
• to promote cooperation with all healthcare professionals, institutions and organizations with a professional interest in emergency care
• to promote basic knowledge about emergencies throughout the population.

EuSEN is a NON-Profit association. To be a member with EuSEN you need to be a member of a local or national emergency nurse association. The association needs to have local standards and official statutes.

Do you want to learn more about the EuSEN Please contact:

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To join us - Fill in the admission form on the next page.

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Application form EuSEN

Name of the Association

Country

URL Website

Number of members

Does the association follow official statutes

The association's main purpose in emergency care

Name of the President

Contact address, E-Mail and phone number

Second contact person of the association (if not the President is the contact person)

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Send the application form and relevant documents presenting your organization to:

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Dear future member,

If you want to support us developing EuSEN, you can become an individual EuSEN Member.

Membership fee for individual member had been fixed to 15€/year by the EuSEN Board. This money help us to promote the association throughout Europe.

As an Individual Member, you'll be informed of any evenemential action of EuSEN and every publication, you'll also have member price for Congress supported by EuSEN and any promotional action held by EuSEN.

Individual Membership don't give the right to vote at the General Meeting Assembly (Only for the Association) and membership of EuSEN don't mean that you are member of all the European nurses associations.

WE NEED YOU, if you want to help us by becoming a individual member, fill the form (see website EuSEN) and the treasurer will contact you as soon as possible to give you information about the procedure to pay the annual fee.

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