

The **International Council of Nurses (ICN)** is currently accepting applications for the next Global Nursing Leadership Institute (GNLI). The ICN is a federation of 133 national nurses associations representing the millions of nurses worldwide. Operated by nurses and leading nursing internationally, ICN works to ensure quality nursing care for all and sound health policies globally.

ICN piloted the first annual Global Nursing Leadership Institute in September 2009 for thirty senior and executive level nurse leaders from 23 different countries across all world regions. Participants came from a variety of backgrounds and positions: Chief Nursing Officers, Presidents and Officers from National Nursing Organisations, Directors of Nursing, Deans and Associate Professors, executive officers from regulatory bodies and senior level practitioners from speciality service areas.

All participants highly evaluated the GNLI experience as illustrated in this small selection of comments from participants:

“Excellent program, enriching experience, well organized and very strategic”

“Leaders in health must be prepared to speak out. Developing a powerful force is a great vision for this Institute”

“Outstanding. One of the best learning experiences I have ever participated in.”

Applications are now welcome and the closing date for receipt of Applications by email is **31 March 2010**.

For further information regarding the GNLI 2010 including Selection Criteria and an Application Form, please follow this link: <http://www.icn.ch/institute.htm>

We encourage Senior Nurse Officers to apply for this leadership opportunity. If you apply and are selected, the NPAC will consider sponsoring one senior nurse officer (O-5 and above) to attend this training. To qualify, you must submit a copy of your letter of acceptance from ICN and documentation of supervisory approval by July 3, 2010. Email this information to CDR Anita Pollard at apollard@bop.gov.

If you have technical questions regarding the Global Nursing Leadership Institute, contact the organization at <http://www.icn.ch/institute.htm>.

Questions regarding NPAC support for this opportunity, please contact CAPT Sylvia Trent-Adams at strent-adams@hrsa.gov.