



Professional Committee Work Plan 2011-2012

Mission Statement: To enable nurses to meet the challenges of the knowledge-based society by promoting the development of their knowledge and competences at all stages of their professional career development.

Objectives: To develop high educational standards in nursing and to facilitate the transfer and recognition of qualifications and competencies throughout Europe.

Priorities:

- (1) Implementation Directive 36 & EFN enlargement (OLP 3.1)
- (2) Revision Report DIR36

Issue Type:

- (1) Lobbying
- (2) Lobbying

Goals:

- (1) Implementation Directive 36
 - To achieve equivalent standards of nursing education and care at EU level;
 - Guide new EU Member States/NNA implementing DIRECTIVE 36;
 - Follow up Infringements.
- (2) Lobby DG Internal Market Peer on the revision of Directive 36 – develop EU Accreditation system for Nursing Education (similar to Peer Review)

Measurement:

- (1) Implementation DIR 36
 - All EU Member States comply with Directive 36.
- (2) Review DIR36
 - DIR 36, principle Mutual Recognition Professional qualifications, safeguarded;
 - Accreditation systems for Nursing Education.

Timeline:

- (1) Implementation DIRECTIVE 36
 - EU Enlargement Process and Member States Infringements.
- (2) Review DIR36
 - DG Internal Market Directive 36 Report 2012 – make proposal for EU Accreditation System.

Tactics:

- (1) Implementation Directive 36
 - Provide evidence about the use of DIR36;

- Future Member States NNA pro-actively involved in EFN.
- (2) Review DIR36
- EFN Experience Report;
 - Alliance building Sectoral Professions and Nursing Regulators.

Actions:

- (1) Implementation Directive 36
- EFN Experts guiding EU Accession;
 - EFN members' experts to assist DG Internal Market Peer Reviews;
 - Exchange of best practices.
- (2) Review DIR36
- EFN Position accepted in the Professional and Political arena;
 - Common Position Sectoral Professions;
 - Link up with National representatives.

Outcome:

- (1) Implementation Directive 36
- All EU current and future Member States comply with Directive 36;
- (2) Review DIR36
- Mutual Recognition of Professional Qualification safeguarded;
 - EU Nurses fit for practice;
 - EU Accreditation System for Nursing Education.