Message from the President

Prof. Niranjan "Tex" Kissoon
WFPICCS President

Dear Colleagues,
I trust that you are having a great spring and are looking forward to a very exciting and productive summer. These are exciting times for us at the World Federation and we have had a very busy year. We have now a very impressive and redesigned website with many more features that I’m sure many of you will enjoy. In addition, we are also in the preparation stages of finalizing our scientific program and call for abstracts for our meeting in Istanbul, Turkey in May next year. This meeting promises to be different from previous meetings in that we are trying to make it a more interactive and should get many to participate in distilling what we know, where we should be doing, and how to put our knowledge context and actions.

WF PICCS believes that only by improving the standard of intensive and critical care around the world can we improve the outcome of children suffering from life threatening illnesses and injuries. Thus, we have been trying to build an international network that would further research on how to improve the care of critically ill children throughout the world and make that knowledge available to those who care for the children. However, to make this possible, we need your help! A few have donated and we appreciate it. This is one way to support our society in a difficult economy. There is still much to be done! Donate today for saving tomorrow’s children!

In addition, we are also in the final stages of putting together our election process for President elect who will shoulder responsibility of taking WFPICCS into the future. The journal is also going from strength to strength in that submission rates have increased markedly and continue to rise.

We have also launched several other initiatives including our own editorial board for the newsletter as well as a vibrant education program, including OpenPediatrics in which we are partnering with Boston Children’s Hospital to bring educational resources to level the playing field for many children worldwide. In addition, we have also been vigorous supporters of World Sepsis Day which will be on September 13th, 2013.

These initiatives can only be successful with the active participation of as many members as possible. I would very much appreciate if everyone can participate in areas of expertise. In addition, I would encourage everyone to plan to be in Istanbul in May. I look forward to seeing you all there to make it one of our most successful meetings ever.

Best wishes,

Prof. Niranjan “Tex” Kissoon
WFPICCS President
Vice President, Medical Affairs, BC Children’s Hospital and Sunny Hill Health Centre; BCCH and UBC Professor in Acute and Critical Care - Global Child Health; Department of Paediatrics and Emergency Medicine; University of British Columbia; Senior Scientist, Child and Family Research Institute, Vancouver BC, Canada

Welcome to the Cameroon Association of Critical Care Nurses

We are pleased to announce that by majority the Cameroon Association of Critical Care Nurses has been voted as a WFPICCS Member Society.
WFPICCS now has a LinkedIn account, which gives you the opportunity to participate in exciting discussions about pediatric intensive and critical care and to receive up-to-date information in the field. For instance, Derek Wheeler has started the discussion *The large-scale dissemination of health-care technology, including ICUs, has led to significant health care costs. The ICU is expensive, but are we getting an adequate return on our investment?* [Click here](#) to visit our LinkedIn group.

Join us on [LinkedIn](#) today and create and develop your network!

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**7th WORLD CONGRESS ON PEDIATRIC INTENSIVE AND CRITICAL CARE**

**PICC 2014**

**Abstract Submission is Now Open!**

On behalf of the 7th World Congress on Pediatric Intensive and Critical Care, we are pleased to invite you to share your research and ideas in Istanbul, Turkey from 4-7 May, 2014.

Contribute to the exceptional scientific program through submitting your abstract for an oral or poster presentation.

All accepted abstracts will be published in *Pediatric Critical Care Medicine*.

**Abstract Submission Deadline: December 15, 2013**

[Submit Your Abstract Now!](#)

**Topics for Abstract Submission:**

- The Child & Family
  - Including: nursing care, family-centered care, ethics, psychosocial, chronic illness

  - The Milieu

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**COLLABORATIONS**

**World Sepsis Day**

[Click here](#) to view the new World Sepsis Day 2013 toolkit.

**Update from OPENPeditiatrics**

[Click here](#) to read the update.

**OPENPeditiatrics - Letter Global Nurses Initiative**

March 27, 2013

Dear Nursing Leader,

I am writing to invite you to participate as a nurse expert in the OPENPeditiatrics™ Pediatric Critical Care Nursing (PCCN) advisory group.

Working in collaboration the World Federation of Pediatric Intensive and Critical Care (WFPICCS), Boston Children's...
including: hormones & fluid management, nutrition, hematology, nephrology, metabolic, endocrinology

the brain
including: neurology, pain & sedation management, anesthesiology

the lung
including: respiratory & ventilatory support, home ventilation, physiotherapy, neonatal

the heart
including: cardiovascular, resuscitation, circulation, ECMO, cardiac surgery

the illness
including: sepsis, infection, immunity, pharmacology

the emergency
including: triage, transport, injury/trauma, burns, surgery, organ donation, disaster management

the organization
including: quality/safety, education, simulation, outcome, follow-up, transitions, epidemiology, management, workforce

Click here to view the abstract topics

Click here to read the abstract submission guidelines.

Explore Istanbul

We welcome you to Istanbul!

Located in the center of the old world, this exotic city is famous for its historical monuments and scenic views. It is the only city in the world which spreads over two continents: Asia and Europe which are separated by a narrow strait - the Bosphorus. Founded around 660 BC, Istanbul developed to become one of the most significant cities in history. During

intensive and critical care (WFPICCS), Boston Children Hospital has developed OPENPediatrics™, designed to promote the global exchange of knowledge about the care of critically ill children. OPENPediatrics™ offers members of the healthcare team access to educational opportunities for nurses, OPENPediatrics™ seeks to fill this gap. Attached summary about OPENPediatrics™, and you can also visit the OPENPediatrics™ website for more informa

www.openpediatrics.org

OPENPediatrics™ is currently working to build its nursing content and to create a comprehensive nursing curriculum that can be used by nurses of all experience levels; from those in-training to expert critical care nurses. writing to invite you to join the Pediatric Critical Care Nursing (PCCN) advisory group to help develop both core and advanced nursing curricula. Involvement will be for approximately three months and will encompass following:

- Completion of three surveys (Delphi method) to ascertain the direction and content of curriculum.
- 1-2 phone conferences (30-60 minutes) to discuss curriculum once survey results have been analyzed.

If you are interested in being part of this nursing expert group please click on the attached survey link to tell us some information about yourself and your current role. Also, if you work with or know of other nurse experts who would want to be involved please forward the link to them. Please feel free to contact me regarding questions that you may have.

Survey link:
https://www.surveymonkey.com/s/PCCNSurvey1

Thank you for your time and attention to this important global nursing initiative.

Aimee Lyons, RN, MSN, CPNP, CCRN, NEBC, CPHQ
Nursing Director
Medical Surgical Intensive Care Unit
that time, it served as the capital of four empires: the Roman Empire, the Byzantine Empire, the Latin Empire and the Ottoman Empire.

Even if you spend only a short time in Istanbul, you can see much of this great heritage. The city is filled with historic buildings where mosques coexist with churches. Although renowned for its mystery and history, Istanbul is also a rapidly modernizing city. While exciting new art galleries and museums provide visitors with sightseeing during the day, its nightlife offers happening bars, clubs and restaurants.

Click here to learn more about Istanbul

We look forward to welcoming you in Istanbul!
For more information please visit our website:
www.picc2014.com

Save the date!
4-7 May 2014 - Istanbul, Turkey

SPROUT Update

The pediatric severe sepsis point prevalence study SPR (Sepsis Prevalence Outcomes and Therapies) will start data collection on June 5, 2013. In collaboration with the Pediatric Acute Lung Injury and Sepsis Investigators (PALISI) and WFPICCS, investigators at The Children's Hospital of Philadelphia and Penn State Hershey Children's Hospital have launched a tool for local investigators in Pediatric and Cardiac ICUs across the world to screen patients in their units for severe sepsis and septic shock five different days spread evenly over the next year and collect data about the infectious etiology, types of therapies provided, and outcomes of the children with severe sepsis and septic shock. Currently 86 ICUs in different countries on six continents have secured approval to participate in the study, with many more ICUs working on these approvals. For information about the study, to participate, visit the study website (http://sprout.research.chop.edu/) or email the team at SproutStudy@email.chop.edu.

QUESTIONS FROM OUR COLLEAGUES

I am Dr Mahesh Chandra, MD Pediatrics (Maulana Azad Medical College, Delhi University, New Delhi), Fellowship Pediatric critical care (Rajiv Gandhi University of Health Sciences, Bangalore), interested in training / Fellowship pediatric critical care from an advanced center. Kindly guide me with opportunities for advanced training.

Yours sincerely,
conducted in paediatric intensive care in the UK\textsuperscript{1,2,3}. Yet virtually nothing is known about how parents experience the approach about research in paediatric intensive care units (PICU). Knowing about parents experiences is important because the admission of a child to PICU is a profoundly anxious and distressing time for families\textsuperscript{4,5,6,7}. While there have been previous studies of parents’ experiences of the approach about research in NICU\textsuperscript{8,9,10} we cannot assume their findings are transferable to PICU. NICU has certain features which, compared to PICU, provides a conducive environment for implementing clinical studies, including the more established research culture, the relatively singular nature of the speciality, its relatively large patient numbers, and the possibility of approaching parents about clinical studies before birth. By contrast, PICUs admit a much broader age range of children (from babies to 17 years) with multiple illnesses and injuries, often with little advance warning. Thus, families’ experiences of the approach for research in PICU may be very different. Furthermore, PICUs in the UK are highly centralised, and families may travel huge distances to be with their child leaving behind their support networks and their other children.

Click here to read more.

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Nutrition in the PICU - does it matter?

Dr Nilesh Mehta

How much? - too little (underfeeding), too much (overfeeding). What is the right amount? - the Goldilock’s conundrum. Energy requirement for a critically ill child is difficult to predict. Although the use of Indirect Calorimetry is increasing, it is only available in a minority of centers worldwide. Standard equations can be inaccurate in estimating energy expenditure. How does one assess energy expenditure during critical illness? Does it matter?

Click here to read more.

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Think Before You Hit the Send Button

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NEWS FROM AFRICA

11th Congress of the World Federation of Societies of Intensive and Critical Care Medicine
28 August -1 Sept 2013
Durban, South Africa
http://www.criticalcare2013.com/

Click here for more information. There will be a paediatric programme as part of the 11th Congress of the World Federation of Societies of Intensive and Critical Care Medicine, Durban, South Africa.

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NEWS FROM EUROPE

ESPNIC 2013
24th Annual Meeting of the European Society of Paediatric and Neonatal Intensive Care
12-15 June 2013
Rotterdam, The Netherlands
http://www2.kenes.com/espnic2013

We are also having a nurse science day on June 12th, aimed at nurses interested in or involved in research in NIC/PICU. The nurse science day is free to ESPNIC members so it is cost effective to join, to get reduced conference and other benefits.

European Academy of Paediatrics Educational Congress & MasterCourse (EAP 2013)
19-22 September 2013
Lyon, France
http://www.eapaediatrics.eu
For those of you who don’t have teenagers at home, social media refers to an extremely popular and rapidly growing form of electronic communication (including online magazines, Internet forums, weblogs, social blogs, microblogging, wikis, social networks, podcasts, photographs or pictures, video, rating), through which users interact to share information and ideas. The popularity of social networks, such as Facebook, MySpace, Twitter, Google+, Pinterest, Blogger, and LinkedIn continues to rise, and several studies now suggest that consumers are using social media to help inform health care decisions.

Click here to read more.

Pertussis is an acute infectious disease of the upper airway caused by Bordetella pertussis
Mauricio Fernández Laverde

It is striking the Pertussis resurgence that has been taking place in recent years worldwide. In Colombia in 2012 there were 3174 confirmed cases of pertussis with nearly 40% of the affected under 1 of age a mortality cases around 1%. Pertussis mortality occurs from cardio-respiratory failure associated with symptoms of severe and untreated pulmonary hypertension (PH) and necrotizing bronchiolitis called Fulminant Pertussis.

Click here to read more.

PICU Children’s Hospital Roberto del Río
Santiago de Chile
Dr Bettina von Dessauer

The walls talk to the children and parents in the PICU

Our caring process requires a committed intensive-care-team with expertise, vocation, acceptance of a future with high work load and continuous training, the need of technology, resources for inputs, etc, but also

NEWS FROM OCEANIA

2013 ANZICS/ACCCN Annual Scientific Meeting
17-19 October 2013
Hobart, Tasmania

Click here to view the 2013 ANZICS/ACCCN flyer.
a personalized, non hostile cozy environment. Biopsychosocial health is the goal. In this renewed unit we tried to make an effort in this direction. A compromised artist worked under our guidance, with increasing enthusiasm and fantasy, during almost 4 months until we concluded the process... for the moment. No previous idea was clear, we only wanted to help kids and parents to never lose hope, energy, looking for a smile, hug and the expectance of a better future.

In relation to the tree on the left side of the entrance a little boy told his parents: “the boy on the tree looking down to us is my brother who died last week. Between mom and dad that’s me, and I am protected by all”.

Click here to read more.

NEWS FROM LATIN AMERICA

10th Anniversary Congress
Chilean Pediatric Critical Care society

On behalf of the Chilean Pediatric Critical Care society it is a pleasure to invite you all to share our 10th anniversary congress, with national and international guests, like Djillali Ananne MD, Francisco Ruza MD, Gerhard Wolf MD, Jamie Hutchinson MD, Huniades Urbina-Medina. MD.
The scientific program include: ECLS, Neurointensive care, ARDS management.

The conference will take place on 5 - 7 of September 2013 in Santiago, at the Crowne Plaza Santiago Hotel.

Registration and information:
http://www.sochipe.cl/congresos/intensivo/index.php

Sincerely,
Carlos Acuna MD,
President of Chilean Pediatric Critical Care Society

International Sepsis Forum
Sepsis 2013 Rio

The INTERNATIONAL SEPSIS FORUM - SEPSIS 2013 RIO will be held on November 05 and 06. This will be the seventh edition of this annual event, organized by ISF. This year, our co-organizers are the Latin American Institute of Sepsis (ILAS) and the Brazilian Association of Intensive Care Medicine (AMIB).

The event will be at the Royal Tulip Hotel in Sao Conrado, Rio de Janeiro - one of the most beautiful and friendly cities in the world.

Will also be held on the tenth Sepsis 2013 International Sepsis Forum, by ILAS. The event will have presentations from international experts and Brazilians. The subjects covered are scientific research, clinical and related studies.

Considered a major event in the field of Critical Care Medicine, we have the support of World Federation of Pediatric Intensive & Critical Care Societies.

More information on the site:
http://www.forumsepse.com.br/

Join us and participate in the first event of the ISF conducted in Latin America!
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