GAPFON and Sigma Chapters: How Members and Chapters Can Contribute

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PURPOSE
• To establish a global voice and vision for the future of nursing and midwifery that will advance global health while simultaneously strengthening professional roles.

STRATEGY
• Bring key stakeholders together, globally and by region, to plan for the future of global health, nursing and midwifery.
GAPFON Core Panel Members and Consensus

Australia, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Hong Kong, Ireland, Jordan, South Africa, Thailand, United Kingdom, United States

Professional Issues
• Leadership
• Policy (including research)
• Workforce/Work Environment/Practice
• Education/Curriculum

Global Health Issues
• Communicable Disease Outbreaks
• Disaster Preparedness & Response
• Maternal Child Health
Regional Meetings 2015-2016

To identify, prioritize and make recommendations regarding key issues, especially those where nursing and midwifery can take the lead to advance global health.

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North America Regional Meetings
Groups 1 and 2

GAPFON®
North America
Global Health Issues

- Group 1
  - Diseases
  - Mental Health/Violence
  - Poverty/Health Disparities
  - Maternal Child Health

- Group 2
  - Health Equity/Poverty
  - Mental Health
  - Non-Communicable Diseases/Chronic Diseases
  - Disaster Preparedness
Europe Regional Meeting
Europe
Global Health Issues

- Non-Communicable Diseases
- Mental Health
- Aging
- Maternal Child Health
- Migrant/Refugee Health Care Issues
- Communicable Diseases
The Report

- Initial Core Panel recommendations
- Regional meeting data
- Second Core Panel review
- Executive Committee synthesis of data
GLOBAL HEALTH PRIORITIES

Reflecting the cumulative rankings across all regions, the top five global health priorities were:

1. Noncommunicable Diseases, including Chronic Diseases
2. Mental Health in general, as well as secondary to Substance Abuse and to Violence
3. Communicable Diseases
4. Disaster Preparedness and Response
5. Maternal-Child Health

Each of these priority health issues correlates with the United Nation’s Sustainable Development Goals for improving health across all countries.
The GAPFON® Model
93 Recommendations: Example of Workforce

- Develop retention strategies for nurses and midwives
- Ensure that nurses and midwives have autonomy to direct the needs of their profession, including hiring and workforce management roles
- Increase diversity of the workforce in education and practice to reflect the populations served
- Advocate for positive, safe, healthy work environments
GAPFON Implementation

Strategy Summit - Global Nursing & Midwifery Organizations

Regional/Local Implementation - Sigma Chapters and Members
• Collaborations to address common priorities
• Unique programs and initiatives
Matching Organizations’ Priorities to Recommended Strategies: Sigma as Example

**GAPFON Strategy:** Develop a multipronged leadership development system with aspects of mentoring, coaching and modeling.

**Sigma Resources:**
- Leadership Institutes & Academies (e.g. MCH, Experienced Nurse Faculty, Emerging Educational Administrator, Nurse Educator Mentorship)
- Institute for Global Healthcare Leadership
- Career Center (advising, mentoring, coaching)
- Online Education and books
- Professional Networking – Communities of interest on The Circle
Regional and Local Implementation

- Sigma’s Global Regional Councils
- Chapter Initiatives
Chapter Initiatives

• The Great GAPFON Challenge
  • 300 word submissions
  • Recognition at Biennial Convention 2019

• Chapter GAPFON Site on the Circle
  • Facilitated site
  • Sharing of initiatives related to GAPFON
Dissemination plans

• Posting chapter and member GAPFON strategy implementation summaries on the GAPFON website

• Including GAPFON strategy implementation summaries in Sigma publications (e.g. Reflections in Nursing Leadership) and on social media

• Sharing what comes out of the Strategy Summit being held in Geneva in Sigma publications and social media

• Scholarly dissemination (publications and presentations) by the GAPFON Advisory Committee and others
Your turn! Questions for discussion

• In addition to what you’ve seen, how else can members participate in GAPFON implementation?

• In addition to what you’ve seen, how else can chapters participate in GAPFON implementation?

• What else do you need to know about GAPFON to be able to implement or contribute to a strategy implementation?

• How can chapters work together for GAPFON strategy implementation?
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