



BANGLADESH NURSING LEADERSHIP NETWORK (BNLN) INFORMATION SHEET

BNLN is a voluntary network that brings together nurses interested in sharing and developing their leadership knowledge and skills from both the public and private sectors. The Network provides a forum for advocacy, education, information sharing, and mentorship.

OBJECTIVES:

- a. To organise meetings and conferences and an annual meeting of the Network
- b. To identify, monitor and act on specific nursing issues
- c. To follow trends in leadership and management
- d. To advocate for development of the profession
- e. To foster research in nursing leadership and management
- f. To maintain an electronic resource centre on nursing leadership and management and links to external electronic sources of information
- g. To offer mentorship and support via its pool of leadership experts
- h. To facilitate information sharing through its website and meetings
- i. To maintain links to national, regional and international leadership-related groups.

BNLN FORMATION:

The Network has *Founding members* (Leadership for Change graduates), *Regular members* (nurses in leadership posts or who are interested in becoming a leader), and retired nurse leaders and *Honorary Members* (nurses and non-nurses who have made a significant contribution to the Network and whom the Network wishes to recognise.). In addition, regular members who sign up in the first year will be considered as *Initiating Members* and will have their names and photos on the BNLN website.

BNLN currently has a Steering Committee of 11 individuals committed to its launch in 2016 (see the photo). In future it will be guided by an elected General Committee composed of 11 persons: President, Vice - President, General Secretary, Joint Secretary, Finance Secretary and 6 Executive members.



Steering Committee Members

BENEFITS OF JOINING BNLN:

- ✓ Access to nursing colleagues to share ideas and information and can learn from one another
- ✓ Continuing education opportunities
- ✓ Opportunities to mentor and support others and to be mentored and supported
- ✓ Helping advocate for and lead changes in nursing education and services and health care services
- ✓ New experiences serving on committees and planning national events
- ✓ Building your curriculum vitae
- ✓ Being up to date on current issues and trends in nursing and in leadership
- ✓ Having access to nursing and leadership resources
- ✓ Contributing to research in nursing leadership and management
- ✓ Priority over non-members in attending BNLN sponsored events (e.g. workshop, conference, study tour, etc.)
- ✓ Building and sustaining nursing leadership and the profession in Bangladesh
- ✓ Having greater links to nursing leaders nationally, regionally and internationally.

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