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CCNAPI Participates in the International Stroke Nursing Management Course

By Maria Isabelita C. Rogado, RN, MAN

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Four representatives from CCNAPI Attended the International Stroke Nursing Management Course in Bangkok, Thailand last January 16-17, 2017. This was a two-week program sponsored by the Prasat Neurological of the Ministry of Public Health. As a recognized neurological care and training center, PNI, offers this international training course in stroke nursing management for ASEAN nurses to meet the requirement of the funding organizations. It is the intent of the training program to provide up-to date knowledge on stroke nursing management.

CCNAPI group with the PRASAT representatives

The two-weeks instilled wider and deeper appreciation on the impact of the health problem brought by stroke in terms of cost, mortality and morbidity. According to the published report, the prognosis for the decades ahead indicated that the prevalence of stroke will probably continue to grow in low-and-middle-income countries as the fall in the age adjusted stroke mortality in these countries fails to counteract the ongoing changes in their populations and their lifestyles.

As nurses, in the playing field of stroke prevention, active participation and enegament is necessary, to help ensure winnig the war against stroke. Taking an active role, for CCNAPI means the following:

1. Sustain the collaboration and partnership with Thailand through an established Memorandum of Agreement forged between CCNAPI and PNI.
2. Continue the stroke nursing Certification Program of the Critical Care Nursing Association of the Philippines, Inc. (CCNAPI) in collaboration with Professional Regulatory Board of Nursing (PRBON) to developed more Stroke specialty nurses.
3. Rally the move for Advanced Practice Nursing, so that qualified nurses can be at the forefront or primary care that will contribute the improved access to health services and improved health outcomes.

JANUARY TO DECEMBER 2017

3rd Emergency Neurologic Life Support Way to Start 2017 for CCNAPI

By Leah Calabio, RN

The body text ENLS Certification course was the best way to start the year 2017 for the Critical Care Nurses Association of the Philippines (CCNAPI).

After a series of successful ENLS certification course organized by the Critical Care Nurses Association of the Philippines (CCNAPI) in collaboration with the Neurocritical Care Society, another breakthrough was held a day before the annual convention of the organization last February 22, 2017 at RM 3D, Edificio Enriqueta Building NS Amoranto Corner D. Tuazon St. Quezon City.

Furthermore, it was with great pleasure and privilege that the Neurocritical Care Society, represented by Ms. Susan Yeager who came all the way from the U.S.A. to share and make a huge contribution for the success of the ENLS Certification attended by nurses all over the country coming from government and private institutions and took part in acknowledging the importance of the said course in our nursing profession which is now becoming an integral part of becoming a better neurological nurse.

Initially started with the introduction of the president of the CCNAPI, Mrs. Maria Isabelita C. Rogado, acknowledging and welcoming the presence of the nurses who are into acquiring a substantial information and knowledge from the certified ENLS faculty who are eager to learn and adopt the latest Neurological Evidence Based interventions which was introduced and pioneered by the Neurocritical Care Society (NCS). Together with the ENLS Faculty namely: Ms. Susan Yeager, Dr. Geraldine Mariano, Ms. Diana Jean Serondo, Mr. Mark Dela Rosa, Mr. Ryan Mata, Ms. Camille Pilac and Ms. Leah Calabio.

Ms. Yeager and Dr. Mariano during their lecture.

OTHER ENLS COURSE CONDUCTED FOR THE PERIOD OF JANUARY TO JUNE 2017

March 30, 2017
4th ENLS Course:

The certification course was conducted at Davao City. It was held at the Tiongco Hall, Southern Philippines Medical Center (SPMC), and made it possible with cooperation made thru the SPMC Manager of Critical Care and Hemodialysis Unit, Mr. Patrick Soria RN, MAN.

May 8, 2017
5th ENLS Course:
A total of 23 health care practitioners coming from Bataan General Hospital, Western Visayas Medical Center, Royal Oman Police Hospital, University of Perpetual Help Las Pinas, The Medical City Iloilo and Taguig, St Luke's Medical Center, and Asian Hospital Medical Center participated in the certification program.

(Top): Mrs. Rogado; Ms. Yeager & Mr. Agustin (Middle) With Hon. Tong-an (Below): Mr. Santos, Hon. Divinagracia, Mr. Agustin, Mrs. Yeager, Mrs. Rogado, Dean Fernandez

"CHAMPIONS BY DESIGN" CCNAPI's 2017 Annual Convention

By Maria Isabelita C. Rogado, RN, MAN

The recently concluded Annual Convention last February 23-24, 2017 was participated by almost 500 delegates from all over the country. The theme "Champions by Design" was inspired by the success and challenges of the critical care nurses that lead to the recognition of our brand, critical care nurses, characterized as distinctive, charismatic, skillful and innovative practice. These qualities are consistent with the vision and mission of CCNAPI

The Keynote Speaker, Hon. USEC Tong-an articulate the goal of the Deparment of Health to strengthen on public health through its ACHIEVE program, He called for all stake holders to collaborate and be one with this goal.

Susan Yeager, from the Neurocritical Care Society (NCS) and World Federation of Critical Care Nurses (WFCCN) was among the invited speakers of this convention. She presented the topics "Clinical Practice Guidelines for the Management of Pain, Agitation and Delirium" and "Nursing: the good, the bad and ugly.

For the first time, a debate was added in this convention. Views on a controversial issue on prioritizing care (patient assessment or patient management during our daily) during our daily work.

The convention brought them most of the delegates' learning experience, through the organizing committee's crafting of an instructional design utilizing variety of methodologies that made this continuing education program interactive and fun.

WFCCN Ambassador Vollman Visits Asia

By Maria Isabelita C. Rogado, RN, MAN

Kathleen Vollman, an Honorary Ambassador and Treasurer of the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses (WFCCN), visited Hong Kong and the Philippines, last March 23 – 30, 2017. She was the invited faculty to talk about Early Mobility in the ICU.

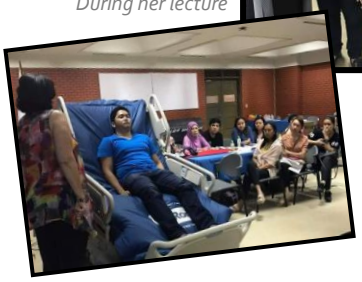
Her first lecture was held at the March 24, 2017 from 6:00 – 9:00 PM at the Theatre 1, HK productivity Council Building, Kowloon, Hong Kong and was hosted by the Hong Kong Critical Care Nurses Association (HKCCNA). This was participated by approximately 35 critical care nurses. This was also an opportunity to meet and catch – up with another WFCCN Ambassador, Dr. Esther Wong.

Participants with Ms. Vollman & Mrs. Rogado

Last March 27, 2017, Ms. Vollman provided some 100 critical care nurses from various Metro Manila Hospitals with the same lecture in two sessions, morning and afternoon. She discussed the threats of prolonged bed rest on the functionality and well-being of an ICU patient and cited the benefits of early mobility for qualified ICU patients. A demonstration of an advanced therapeutic device was made to show how this device can come as an assistive device for both patient and family.

Her last stint of educational activity was conducted in Davao City last March 29, 2017 at the Southern Philippines Medical Center. This was participated by more than 100 critical care nurses.

Ms. Vollman's topic on early mobility highlighted not only of mobility per se, but on the importance of hygiene for ICU patients. She has provided evidence-based information and best practice models during the sessions. It was a very fruitful and informative for all participants of these events.



(Right Picture): Ms. Vollman with representative from CCNAPI & SPMC (Down Picture); During her lecture

Advanced Hemodynamics for the Critical Patient: Oxygen and Pressures

By Beda B. Galicia RN, MAN & Camille Loraine Pilac, RN

The Critical Care Nurses of the Philippines, Inc (CCNAPI) participated on the lecture conducted by Philips entitled "Advanced Hemodynamics for the Critical Patient: Oxygen and Pressures". It was held at Brentwoods Suites at Quezon City last April 25, 2017. This was attended by representatives from different institutions who were eager to learn more about Hemodynamic monitoring and latest technologies for it. Ms. Barbara McLean, MN, RN, CCNS-BC, NP-BC, CCRN, FCCM, the speaker, shared her knowledge and expertise on the topic.

The discussion starts with the physiologic principles of hemodynamic that include factors that affect myocardial function, the regulation of blood pressure, determination of cardiac performance and cardiac output. She also discussed how to understand the basic concepts of pressure, flow and resistance, determine appropriate interventions to assess outcomes that optimize the delivery of oxygen to tissues, factors that influence arterial blood pressure, cardiac manipulation from preload, afterload and contractility and hemodynamic or pressures of cardiovascular and circulatory system using invasive methods like Swan-gantz catheter. Ms. McLean shared that the goal of hemodynamic monitoring includes ensuring adequate perfusion, detecting inadequate perfusion, titrating therapy to a specific end point and qualifying the severity of illness. She stressed that it is important that we know how to utilize the functions of the patient monitors. It is important that the patient receives the appropriate treatment that he/she needs with proper assessment and interpretation of the values.

Ms. Mclean with the PHILIPS Representatives

The International Course: ASEAN Program of Stroke Service Development 2017

By Ethel Lumba, RN

The International Course: ASEAN Program of Stroke Service Development 2017, hosted by Prasat Neurological Institute in Bangkok, Thailand on May 1 to 4 of this year. It is a 4-day training with delegates from different countries in Asia. I was one of the seven nurses endorsed by Critical Care Nurses Association of the Philippines, Inc. to attend this prestigious collaboration.

Delegates from the Philippines, Thailand, Cambodia, Myanman, Malaysia, Vietnam and Indonesia

On the first day of training, there was a 10-minute presentation per country about Stroke and their management. Cambodia was the first speaker, followed by Laos, Myanmar, Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam and Indonesia. Each presentation gave us a glimpsed of how they provide high quality management to their stroke patients. All countries in this training share the common problems with stroke patients. The problems on late consultation and compliance to name a few. Patients usually comes after 24 to 48 hours upon the onset of symptoms. As we all know that in stroke, time is brain. It truly needs immediate treatment. They followed the standard of treatment for Ischemic and hemorrhagic stroke.

Delegates wearing their traditional costumes.

Doctors and nurses representatives from Asians Countries

On the second day, a presentation on stroke and its management by top caliber Neurologists, Radiologists and Nurses of Prasat Neurological Institute. Stroke is now the leading cause of death in their country and it is the focal point of their management to find solutions to lessen the mortality in the years to come. They continue to conduct trainings to hospital personnel to provide optimal care to stroke patients. They also started public awareness campaign on the early signs of stroke and its immediate management in the hospital for better prognosis. They hope to reach out even to the farthest area of the country thru television and social media. In 2016, they already have 72 hospitals across the country with accredited stroke units. They work in synergy with their government which provide monetary support for the treatment and clinical studies.

The third day was a tour to *Chao PhyaAbhaiBhuBejhr Hospita*l, it is a Thai traditional and alternative medicine hospital. Though a bit far from the city but surprisingly, it is a well manage hospital with a holistic approach. They still treat their stroke patients with rt-PA (tissue-type plasminogen activator) as the standard of treatment for ischemic stroke. However, they also administer some tradition medicine and provide Thai massage to their recovering patients. . This hospital is not just for stroke, they also cater to other patients even with malignancies. The hospital is quite big that has a swimming pool for aqua exercises and other rehabilitative facilities for the patients.

The last day ended at around two in the afternoon. All had nice words to say to everyone, taking selfies with our certificates with our new friends. Some were busy with list of names on social media and exchanging stuff from their countries. I am grateful for this opportunity and I thank you Prasat Neurological Institute for your desire and aspiration to collaborate with your neighbors to improve the quality of life free from stroke. I know it will take some time but with your perseverance and dedication, your vision will become a reality. Before I put an end to my report, I want to express my gratitude to CCNAPI for the effort of empowering us nurses to provide utmost care to our patients.

Delegates holding their certificates.

MOA Signing for CCNAPI and PNI Partnership Project

By Ana Merly Migo, RN

Dr. Geraldine Siena Mariano, Mrs. Maria Isabelita C. Rogado, DrUdomPoovarodom, Ms. JanyarakSupat

Hon Divinagracia with the PRASAT Team

CCNAPI Team headed by the President Maria IsabelitaRogado, Prasat Neurologic Institute headed by Dr. UdomPoovoridom, PRC BON Hon Carmelita Divinagracia

The Critical Care Nurses Association of the Philippines, Inc. (CCNAPI) President, Maria Isabelita Rogado, RN, MAN together with Prasat Neurological Institute (PNI) Director UdomPoovarodom, MD from Bangkok, Thailand signed the Memorandum of Agreement for a partnership project held at Makati Diamond Residences, Legazpi Village Makati City last May 5, 2017. The MOA was also signed and witnessed in the presence of the Stroke Society of the Philippines (SSP) Board of Director, Geraldine Siena Mariano, MD and PNI Professional Level Head of Foreign Affair, JanyarakSupat , RN.

The partnership project is a consensual collaboration between the two parties with the main goal of improving the national health care system and health outcome of those affected with acute illness specifically on neurological diseases such as Stroke. The project also aimed to achieve the following objectives:

- exchange personnel to promote academic developments
- assist in neurological training, coaching and learning between the two parties
- set up training program and academic activities that will improve on a multidisciplinary approach to care
- enhance knowledge transfer and development to improve provisions of a multidisciplinary care for the neurological patient
- pursue evidence-based practice through research initiative

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The momentous event, is another milestone for CCNAPI as the organization takes the lead in partnering not only with local health care providers but also with other health care providers in Asian countries to achieve better health for all. The MOA signing was also witnessed in the presence of Joanne Robles MD, Neurologist from The Medical City and Asian Hospital, Honorable Carmelita Divinagracia, OIC chair of the Board of Nursing, Governor Yolanda Canariafrom the Philippine Nurses Association, Zone 6, Dean Remedios Fernandez and Mr. Rudolf Martinez, faculty of Arellano University, guests from Prasat Neurological Institute, CCNAPI officers and active members.

Brief history of both organization was presented followed by the engagement and partnership project saga. Honorable Carmelita Divinagracia and Dr. Geraldine Mariano expressed their excitement and enthusiasm on the benefit of this project. After the MOA signing Professor Ma. IsabelitaRogado and Dr. UdomPoovarodom also gave their messages, then master of ceremony, Mr. JC Agustin, proposed a toast for everyone. The visitors from Prasat Neurological Institute Bangkok, Thailand went on their hospital tour at St. Lukes Medical Center, Global City, Asian Hospital, Muntinlupa and Philippine General Hospital, Taft Manila thereafter.

Neurocritical Care Course… First at its Finest!

By Cpt Phil Adrian S Carrera NC

The Critical Care Nurses Association of the Philippines Incorporated (CCNAPI) launched the first ever Neurocritical Care Course in the Philippines last 6 & 7 May 2017 at the 3rd Floor Anastacia GeronTupaz Hall, Philippine Nurses Association, Manila, F.T. Benitez Street, Malate, Manila. There are a total of 52 participants from different healthcare institution all over the Philippines.

Delegates from different institution

Outcomes expected for the participants to gain from the two days activity includes (1) assume responsibility in the provisions of neurocritical nursing care practice,; (2) Demonstrate ability to use critical thinking before making judgment or decision during the acute and critical event of the patients' life; (3) Perform confidently the guidelines for neurocritical care such as the care of patients with conditions such as neurotrauma; Acute Stroke, Sub Arachnoid Hemorrhage and Vascular Malformation, Seizures and Epilepsy, CNS Infection; (4) Establish teamwork and proper communication in crisis and emergency during the critical event; (5) Demonstrate empathy during the care of a the neuro critically ill client and; (6) Be mindful of the legal and ethical issues related to neuro critical coordination of care and end of life care.

Delegates during the closing ceremony

Overview of the concepts related to a multidisciplinary approach in the care of a neuro-critically ill patient were discussed. Esteemed speakers, doctors and nurses in the field of neurology and neurosurgery were invited to impart their knowledge and skills (Dr. Gerardo Dizon Legaspi – UP PGH, Dr. Geraldine Siena Mariano – St Luke's Medical Center - QC). Topics include neurotrauma, CNS infection, subarachnoid hemorrhage and vascular malformation, seizure and epilepsy, acute stroke, neuro-oncology, encephalopathy and assessment, monitoring and rehabilitation of the neurocritically-ill patient. Mechanical ventilation, ethical and legal aspects as well as qualitative research on neurocritical care were also discussed. Workshops in early mobility in critical care and thrombolysis were also conducted during the 2-day seminar.

During the introduction of the Prasat Team

The Philippine Neurocritical Care Society Stakeholders Meeting

By Mark Gil De La Rosa, RN, MAN

The First Stakeholders Meeting of the Philippine Neurocritical Care Society (PNCS) occurred last **May 10, 2017** at the Tomato Grill in St Luke's Medical Center in Quezon City. This was attended by different personalities that represents different aspect of dynamic team in Health Care; consisting of Neurologist, the Critical Care Nurses Association of the Philippines, Inc (CCNAPI) , Stroke Nurses, Neuro-Radiologist, Neuro-Anesthesiologist, Nutritionist, and Respiratory Therapist.

The meeting began with an opening remarks from Dr. Abdias V. Aquino. This was immediately followed by a brief presentation of the current status of Neurocritical Care in the Philippines by Dr. Geraldine Siena Mariano. She mentioned from her presentation, that the PNCS shall promote NCS membership, offer Emergency Neurologic Life Support (ENLS), and encourage ENLS Train the Trainer to increase number of faculty / instructor in the Philippines. The President of CCNAPI, Mrs. Maria Isabelita C. Rogado talks about the history and the great influence that the CCNAPI and WFCCN developed with the Board Member of the NCS in America. Thru the established connection, Mrs. Rogado successfully created the First Nurse Led ENLS in the Philippines and in Asia with help of one of the NCS Board Member Susan Yeager.

Doctors and Nurses meeting

The aim of the PNCS is to deliver and support the highest quality of care for the neurocritically ill patient, professionalism, collaboration, training, research and advocacy. The PNCS aims to conduct variable projects that will help in development and recognition of the said specialization in healthcare which is new in the Philippines. Some of the project includes, Global and International Partnership with Neuro Critical Care Society, Training and education, Neurocritical Care Unit Advocacy, ASEAN Collaborations, and research networking. The said stakeholders meeting was attended by CCNAPI personnel; Mrs. Maria Isabelita C. Rogado (President), RN MAN DNSc, Diana Jean Serondo, RN, NVRN-BC and Mark Gil De La Rosa RN MAN

International Training Course in Epilepsy Nursing Management

By Rachel Joy D. Alcalde, RN / Mary Antonette B. Pineda, RN and Zchun Rico G. Prestaoussa, RN, EMT

Epilepsy as one of the emerging disorder that greatly affects people of all ages, causing disruptions in their day to day living, predisposing those affected to far greater danger without any warning posing a threat not only to the individual but to the society as well- a fact that I didn't know until I had my training at Prasat Neurological Institute regarding the epilepsy nursing management.

The training course was such an eye opener that lit my awareness to the vast effects of epilepsy in our society. Gaining different insights from various experts in the field made the learning even greater. The training course also supports the trend nowadays; empowering nurses in their respective field of expertise through a much more direct involvement in the patient management and decision making for the patient.

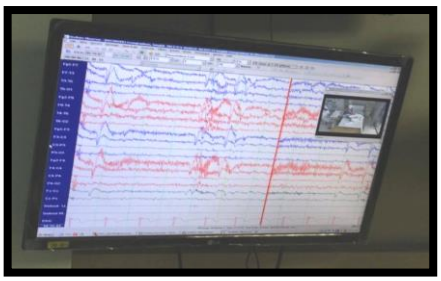
The group during one of the class orientation before the hospital tour at Chulalongkorn Hospital

The first week is a didactic session that focused on different diagnosis, medical and surgical management and nursing care of Epilespy in special groups – women, children, elderly. They focused on how the system of treating and managing patients with epilepsy are done in Thailand. The group also had a tour in the hospital, Prasat Neurological Institute and Chulalongkorn Hospital. They oriented the group on the system of care and how patients are treated in OPD, routine and in-patient phases of care. They introduce us how they conduct imaging & EEG studies, the tupes of EEG tests and how to identify seizures. The government hospitals are very impressive with their investment on upgrading their equipment and facilities for better healthcare services delivery.

The group during the hospital tour at Chulalongkorn Hospital

The importance of multidisciplinary and collaborative approach in managing patients of each member of the healthcare team is being equally represented in the care of patients with epilepsy. Roles of the healthcare team thoroughly executed the roles in giving excellent care and management for the patients. Nurse educator's main role is to conduct health teachings to patients about their conditions before turning over it to the doctors. The healthcare team value system to much and thus guarantees better outcomes for clients.

Thailand's political commitment in healthcare has resulted in significant investments in primary health care, health-system reforms, excellent specialty centers



EEG Reading Room at King Chulalongkorn Memorial Hospital

(like Prasat Neurological Institute who has 5 Center of excellence awards) and extensive coverage of health-care facilities. Even the Ministry of Education funds and supports Chulalongkorn Hospital, aside from being a government hospital itself, it is also a training facility and has an affiliated government medical school / university.

The World Health Organization, according to its healthcare system review, states that throughout these years, Thailand continued to do its best to be competitive globally, filling the gaps in their healthcare system and stepping up to the demands of the international community through reaching out and partnering with other countries and Southeast Asian Nationas. They have and still continue conducting researched on how to further reduce treatment gaps, effective and safe referrals and equals distribution of anti-epileptic drugs. They are also working on "all regions, 1 protocol easy guidelines" for the management of Epileptic patients.

Every training day was a challenge but everyday was also a knowledge added to being a more efficient and prudent nurse for our epilepsy patients. Through this continued effort of Thailand, studies show that there is a higher percentage of recovery of patients, especially those with Temporal Lobe Epilepsy compared to other countries. Not only that the training course gave us learning's but gave us new found friends, trans-cultural exposure in a whole new level and most importantly – family.

During the graduation ceremony with the Prasat Faculty Members

Standards in Philippine Nursing Practice

By CPT PHIL ADRIAN S CARRERA NC

The meeting, attended by the members of the PRC BON and members of the CCNAPI Board of Directors, revolves about the revision of the Standards of Nursing Practice. The Philippine Qualification Framework that was institutionalized last October 2012 was reviewed and wordings are improved to reflect the applicability in all aspects of nursing, be it clinical, admin and training. The PQF is the national policy that describes the levels of educational qualifications and sets the corresponding standards for qualification outcomes that is Competency-based, Labor-market driven and the assessment is based on the qualification recognition. The coverage of PQF comprise ofAll sectors, levels and modes of delivery of the Philippines' tri-focalized education system, which is from basic education, technical vocational education and training and higher education; and all institutions and systems which provide trainings, specializations, skills and competencies, professional experience or through lifelong learning.

CCNAPI INITIATIVES AND THE PHILIPPINE PROFESSIONAL NURSING ROADMAP

By CPT PHIL ADRIAN S CARRERA NC

The Philippine Professional Nursing Roadmap Coalition (PPNRC) of the PRC Board of Nursing had organized a general assembly last May 3, 2017 at the Philippine Nurses Association HQ, AGT Hall, Benitez St., Malate, Manila with the theme "The Nursing Roadmap: Yesterday, Today and Tomorrow". The assembly aims to update the different nursing specialty organization and other professional nursing organization regarding the latest draft of the Philippine Professional Nursing Practice Standards (PPNPS) as well as to receive feedback from the different professional nursing organizations on their initiatives that is in line with the Philippine Nursing Roadmap of 2030. The latest nursing practice standard domains include values-based nursing practice, knowledge-driven nursing practice standards, outcome-oriented professional relationship standards and leadership and governance standards.

The Philippine Nursing Roadmap of 2030 has 6 coverage areas namely, the filipino nurse, collaborative partnership, service excellence and competency enhancement, linkages/networking and social impact. The CCNAPI, as presented during the assembly, had taken significant steps towards the Philippine Nursing Roadmap of 2030. CCNAPI incorporated descriptors on the Professional Qualification Framework (PQF) level 7 and 8. The organization has also partnered with other critical care organizations to aid our cause such as the Philippine Society of Critical Care Medicine, Society of Pediatric Critical Care Medicines of the Philippines and Stroke Society of the Philippines.One initiative is the crafting of the Stroke Nursing Guidelines as reference tool in caring critically stroke patients.

Another initiative of CCNAPI is the conduct of a multidisciplinary approach in critical care education. We have invited respiratory care practitioners, clinical pharmacists and physical/occupational therapist as resource speakers for our upcoming Neurocritical Care Course on May 6 and 7. CCNAPI has crafted its own Guidelines, Standards and Competencies last July 2016. Being a CPD Provider, CCNAPI has different training programs such as Basic Critical Care Nursing, Essentials of Critical Care Nursing, Basic ECG Interpretation and Emergency Neurological Life Support. Local program partnership of CCNAPI include Basic Nutrition Support program with PHILSPEN and Stroke Nursing Certification Program with Stroke Society of the Philippines.The CCNAPI in partnership with the Neurocritical Care Society conducted the first Emergency Neurovascular Life Support (ENLS) Program in the Philippines last May 2016. Being a founding member of the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses, the CCNAPI continue to respond to the evolving demands of critical care nursing by thinking globally and acting locally.

CCNAPI joins the 13th WFSICCM and 12th WFCCN Congress in Rio de Janiero, Brazil

By MARIA ISABELITA C. ROGADO, RN, MAN

The Congress highlighted the importance of small steps in the development and progress of intensive care. Multiple simultaneous sessions were conducted to present the multi-team dynamics of critical care management. CCNAPI President, Belle Rogado, presented on the topics "Intensive care Development World-wide" and "The ASEAN Mutual Recognition Agreement – Challenge to critical care nurses in the region" .

The Annual General Meeting of the WFCCN was held November 10 with business arising that included the election of the new set of Board of Directors (2017 – 2019) and selection for the country host of the 2020 World Congress which was won by the Emirates Nursing Association Critical Care Section of the United Arab Emirates (ENACCS-UAE).

NEUROCRITICAL CARE SOCIETY ANNUAL CONVENTION 2017 EXPERIENCE

By DIANA JEAN F. SERONDO, RN, NVRN-BC

On the first day of the meeting, we attended Professionalism and Leadership Session. In this program, we learned how to deal with conflict and to communicate properly with subordinates and people in position.

Portfolio was being discussed and encouraged to all attendees to provide for easy hiring, promotion and marketing oneself. Sample scenarios are being provided on hand.

In the afternoon session, we experienced how they conduct their workshops which was intended for Advanced Practice Providers (APP).

I attended this year's meeting with the President of CCNAPI herself. We arrived in Hawaii in a fine sunny day, same weather with the Philippines!

As soon as we arrived in our hotel, we arranged our scheduled sessions and face-to-face meetings with international nurses who will partner for potential collaboration. And everything went just perfectly well!

During this session, we met with Dea Mahanes, RN, MSN, CNRN, CCRN, CCNS, FNCS, Susan Yeager MS, RN, CCRN, ACNPBC, FNCS and Sarah Livesay, DNP, RN, ACNP-BC, CNS-BC, SCRN (not in the picture). In our short conversation, we pretty much arranged our collaborative meetings in between sessions.

The session included neuroanatomy, brain imaging (CT, MRI and perfusion scans), case presentation (tpa case, subarachnoid hemorrhage and spinal cord injury) The topics for this workshop received feedbacks from tenured APP's such as basic courses intended for newly hired ICU staff. And the organizers accepted such constructively amazing!

In the business meeting and presidential address session, Professor Belle Rogado was recognized as one of the awardees for the Presidential Citation Award. To be eligible for this award, an individual must have great contributions for the eurocritical Care Society (NCS). Also, I was recognized to be one of the travel grant awardees. Granted with this award, one must be able to portrait characteristics that can help the growth of NCS globally. Philippines was also recognized to have 2 groups as Global Partners.

Informatics in Neurocritical Care was one of the highlights in the afternoon. The specialists were able to present good outcomes with the help of a Tele-ICU which was similar to TeleStroke.

Further, specialty corners were held and we attended the nursing part wherein the guest speaker was Ged Williams. He is one of the founding members of the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses (WFCCN). He talked about the struggles and successes of the organization. He also shared that putting up a society is not an easy road – what more to put up a World Federation! Talking about WFCCN, Professor Belle (WFCCN Secretary) was also put on a spotlight and was able to share her stories as a member of this society. Nevertheless, sitting beside the renowned people, I too was put on a brief moment of sharing. And I shared my story and involvement in the Neurocritical Care Society in the Philippine Care Setting. Such endeavors included conducting Emergency Neurological Life Support

Then it was time for a global collaboration and it was indeed a good outcome for everyone!

R-L: Yana Serondo, Sarah Livesay, Ged Williams, Dr. Teresa Canete, Michel Torbey, Gretchen Brophy, Dr. Geraldine Mariano

Seated R-L: Susan Yeager, Mary Kay Brader, Belle Rogado

Redefining "Sepsis"

By RYAN RAY MATA, RN MN

September 13 is designated as the World Sepsis Day Celebration. In line with this yearly event, Critical Care Nurses Association of the Philippines, Inc. (CCNAPI) conducted an awareness program entitled "**An Update for the World Sepsis Day Celebration**" last September 22, 2017 held at Edificio Enriqueta Building, Amoranto Street. corner D. Tuazon, Quezon City.

A total of 29 delegates both in the private and public institutions attended the update. Speakers were Mrs. Maria Isabelita Rogado, RN, MAN, DNS(c), CCNAPI President, who discussed the history of world sepsis day celebration including the sepsis early recognition and goal directed therapy and Mrs. Beda Galicia, RN, MAN, one of the CCNAPI Board of Directors, underscored the nursing responsibilities for sepsis management.

According to the Global Sepsis Alliance website, "sepsis is the final common pathway to death from most infectious diseases worldwide. It accounts for at least 8 million deaths worldwide annually. Specifically, it is a major cause of maternal and neonatal morbidity and mortality in low- and middle-income countries and affects millions of hospitalized patients in high-income countries. Likewise, it is poorly known that sepsis can be prevented by vaccination and clean care and that early recognition and treatment reduces sepsis mortality by 50 %. This lack of knowledge makes sepsis the number one preventable cause of death worldwide."

CCNAPI at the 2nd ARCPPI International Convention

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The Association of Respiratory Care Practitioners of the Philippines Incorporated (ARCPPI) in collaboration with the Philippine Regulatory Board for Respiratory Therapy (PRBRT) and the Philippine Respiratory Care Professionals, Inc. (PRCPI) held its 2nd International Convention last December 6 & 7 2017 at the Marriott Hotel, Manila. It was attended primarily by respiratory therapists and doctors with a handful of nurses from the different regions in the country. CCNAPI was one of the nursing specialty organization invited to attend the convention. International speakers from the American Association of Respiratory Care (AARC) and the International Council for Respiratory Care (ICRC) and well-known local experts in respiratory care and pulmonary medicine shared their expertise. The program had a variety of topics emphasizing the salient features of respiratory care delivery. The two-day affair is composed of morning plenary sessions and an afternoon workshop or special tracts for those specializing in adult or neonatal/pediatric critical care. Notable topics that gave emphasis on the multidisciplinary team approach where critical care nurses is a part of include "Early Goal Directed Protective Mechanical Ventilation in Critically-Ill Adults" delivered by Dan Rowley RRT from AARC, "Nursing Strategies in Caring for Critically Ill Patient" by Christine Boando RN from St. Lukes Hospital, "Withdrawing and Withholding Ventilator Support – Is it Justifiable?" given by Dr. Francis Paul Ugalino and "Current Updates in the Management of Acute Lung Injury" by Dr. Teresita De Guia. It was a privilege to represent CCNAPI in this international convention and be aware of the new measures and best practices that can raise the professional participation and collaboration of critical care nurses in respiratory care. Rest assured that important topics relevant to nurses will be cascaded through CCNAPI trainings and seminars.

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