**Nurses Christian Fellowship International**

**Director of International Institute of Christian Nursing**

**Role description**

**Background:**
The International Institute of Christian Nursing (IICN) is the professional resource division of NCFI. It provides scholarly resources and facilitates collaborative networks with Christian universities and organisations worldwide. The vision of the Institute is to advance a Christian worldview in nursing practice, education, leadership, and research, supporting Christian nurses to develop and make an impact on the profession. The demand for educational and research programs that reflect the Christian worldview has become increasingly evident and IICN gathers and disseminates resources so that Christian nurses will be better equipped to live out their Christian values and so improve health within their sphere of influence. The IICN produces the journal Christian Nurse International (CNI) twice a year and provides quality courses written from a Biblical perspective that are not provided by the profession. It does not seek to replicate learning materials already available to nurses through professional sources but aims to make available professional resources with a Biblical and Christian foundation. Currently the IICN provides courses, who are led by voluntary specialist and supported by a team of voluntary academic experts in

- Spiritual Care
- Biblical Leadership in Nursing
- The Values Based Teacher
- Additional courses are currently in preparation

IICN also run courses in collaboration with partnering organisations with whom we have a Memo of Understanding. These courses will have a NCFI International voluntary person who works in collaboration with our partners

- Faith Community Nursing in collaboration with the Westberg Institute (WI/IPNRC)
- Saline Process in collaboration with IHS
- Courses taught in collaboration with PRIME

**Purpose of the IICN Director:**
The IICN Director is supported by the IICN Manager, and the key responsibilities for the Director include:

- Provide academic leadership
- Strategic planning for the IICN
• Promotion of educational and research development opportunities and expansion of the work of the IICN
• Monitoring of program development and delivery, reporting to the NCFI Executive Committee when necessary
• Virtual meetings every two months with the Program Committee and the Steering Group
• Liaison with partner organisation e.g. PRIME, IHS, HCFI
• To attend the monthly NCFI Executive Committee meetings

Qualifications

The IICN Director must have a nursing degree and a masters degree / PhD in nursing or a related field. Experience of working in nursing education, curriculum development and evaluation together with evidence of leadership and international and cultural awareness is important.

The IICN Director represents NCFI and must be familiar with the NCFI mission, aims, values, and strategic directions. The Director must also be in agreement with and sign the NCFI Statement of Faith.

The IICN Director must be approved by the NCFI Executive Committee. The volunteer Director needs to be able to commit the necessary time and effort to lead the IICN.

The IICN Director needs to be aware of NCFI policies and sign the Policy of Privacy of NCFI and the NCFI Data Protection Guidelines for Staff and Volunteers. When traveling on behalf of NCFI, the Director must send a signed NCFI Duty of Care to the NCFI Administrator at ncfidonnaspronk@gail.com

Scope

As this role is international in scope, the IICN Director must be sensitive to and respectful of the differences in culture and tradition (e.g. within different countries, denominations) and seek to find and work in unity in fundamental areas – as committed to in the NCFI Statement of Faith.

As the IICN Director now is complemented by an IICN Manager, it is a developing ministry and as such NCFI will allow time for the roles to develop together with the IICN needs and activities.

Length of Service

As the IICN Director’s role is new, and needs to be adjusted to the IICN Manager’s role and the current state of the IICN, there will be a mutual trial period for NCFI and the IICN Director of six months. This Role description will be evaluated and possibly adjusted by the NCFI Executive Committee and the Director of IICN after that period.
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