



УНИЈА УДРУЖЕЊА МЕДИЦИНСКИХ СЕСТАРА И ЗДРАВСТВЕНИХ ТЕХНИЧАРА РЕПУБЛИКЕ СРБИЈЕ
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Distinguished Nursing Professionals,

We look forward for having the opportunity to inviting you to **the 1st Balkan Congress of the Union Association of Nurses and Health Technicians of the Republic of Serbia**, which will be held in **Tara, Serbia, from 6-10. 11. 2020.**

First of all, we want to introduce you that our association gathers nurses employed at all levels of health care, as well as teachers and professors of high nursing schools and faculties of health sciences. The motto of our association is *"Nursing Without Borders - Sharing Knowledge and Experience"*, which we do now.

We have made a great effort to organize the 1st Balkan Congress, whose motto is ***"Together on the Road to a Clear Professional Nursing Identity"***, and the plenary theme of the Congress is **PROFESSIONAL IDENTITY OF NURSES ON THE BALKANS IN THE XXI CENTURY.**

We invite you to actively participate in the presentation of your works respecting the proposed topics:

1. THE IMPORTANCE OF THE NURSING CARE LAW FOR THE EDUCATION AND PROFESSIONAL ACTIVITIES OF NURSES

- Aligning nursing as a profession with European standards of education and action
- Establishing the professional identity and the position of nurses/midwives
- Determining the area of work of nurses/midwives - professional competences

2. THE NURSING CHAMBER AND ITS IMPACT ON IMPROVING THE NURSING PROFESSION STATUS

- Representation of professional interests of Chamber members in the profession - examples from practice
- Evaluation of the implementation of the Code of Ethics in practice - activities of the Chamber
- Activities of the Chamber in determining the nomenclature of health services (nursing interventions)

3. ACTIVITIES OF PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATIONS ON DEVELOPMENT OF PROFESSIONAL IDENTITY

- Association activities in the professional development of members
- Collaboration of the association with the Chamber of Nurses in order to successfully resolve issues in the field of professional activities
- The role of associations to the application of modern technologies and the education for practical application
- Activities and impact of associations on those who make decisions about nursing and nursing care

4. NURSING CARE QUALITY - THE NURSING CARE PROCESS AS A BASIC STANDARD

- Methods of working in nursing practice - experiences
- Nursing documentation and its relevance to patient health outcomes
- Challenges in organizing Nursing Service (leadership, resources)
- Education of young nurses and clinical mentoring

5. NURSING RESEARCH - NECESSITY TO DEVELOP NURSING PROFESSION

- Importance and opportunities for research in nursing practice
- Nursing documentation as a source of data in research
- The impact of nursing research on changes in practice

We would like to exchange opinions regarding the professional identity of nurses in our workplaces and at the national level. All the suggested topics are of great importance for our professional identity, especially the professional identity of the nurses in the Balkans.

Important dates:

Time for Submission of Oral and Poster Presentations: **March 30, 2020.**

Scientific Committee reviews: **March - April 2020.**

Notification to accepted oral presentations: **15 April 2020.**

Notification to accepted poster presentations: **May 1, 2020.**

Please provide the abstracts in Serbian and English.

Instruction for the summary preparation are attached, and please follow the provided instructions.

Sincerely,
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President of Union