



NURSING & MIDWIFERY COUNCIL OF NIGERIA

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...Promoting and Maintaining Excellence in Nursing Education and Practice

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STRATEGIES FOR PROMOTING RESEARCH AND RESEARCH UTILIZATION AMONG NURSES AND MIDWIVES IN NIGERIA

At the 42nd General meeting of the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria, the issue of research and its utilization among nurses and midwives was presented and deliberated upon exhaustively. The Board noted that most nurses and midwives particularly in the clinical areas are reluctant to participate in Research because of numerous reasons. The Board at the above meeting gave approval for a comprehensive package that is aimed at promoting research studies, publication and research utilization among nurses and midwives in Nigeria, as follows:

- Workshop on Research shall be implemented by the Council within the first quarter of 2018, in three centres in Nigeria.

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- ii. From January 2018, two research-based article publications by nurses and midwives shall be awarded three (3) CEU by the Council. Such nurses would only need one MCPDP to be qualified for renewal of license. Where the officer has many published research articles within three years only two shall be awarded credit units. This to ensure nurses and midwives still participate in MCPDP. From January 2018 MCPDP sessions shall include some time allocated for presentation of research reports by nurses and midwives.
- iii. The Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria Research Journal shall from 2018 be published biannually in April and October. Nurses and midwives should be encouraged to publish their research studies in this Journal.
- iv. Nurses and Midwives should form research groups. This will ensure that those who are conversant with research assist other nurses and midwives to build confidence as well as skills and join in conducting research studies. The nurses in the academia should actively assist those in the clinical areas, to participate in Research.
- v. The National Association of Nigeria Nurses and Midwives (NANNM), Directors of Nursing, State Ministry of Health, Heads of Nursing Services of Teaching Hospitals, Heads of Schools and Coordinators of programmes are requested to encourage and sensitize nurses and midwives on the need to participate in research.
- vi. The Council shall be conducting research in areas relevant to Nursing and Midwifery education and practice and these studies will be published.
- vii. The N&MCN Research Journal shall be made available for purchase by nurses and midwives during MCPDP and all other programmes of the Council to ensures the work of nurses and midwives are given wide publicity.

Thank you for your support toward promoting and maintaining excellence in nursing and midwifery education and practice.



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