

# **GHANA REGISTERED NURSES' ASSOCIATION**

## **CELEBRATION OF NATIONAL NURSES' DAY 2011**

### **SYNOPSIS**

#### **Preamble**

Nurses and Midwives constitute the largest number of health care professionals within the health care fraternity in all settings. To a large extent, nursing and midwifery contribution in the health care continuum influence the direction of the management of disease burden across communities in the preventive, curative and rehabilitation dimensions.

In recent times, as disease management has become more complex, with the emergence of new disease conditions, health seekers are becoming aware of their rights to respect and quality care from carers at the same time. It is therefore required of nurses to live up to client expectations through the adoption of acceptable practices and innovations that will impact positively on health care outcomes. Among these are respect for human rights and individuality of the client and the reshaping of our professional ethics that will strengthen our code of conduct.

In this light, the GRNA has dedicated the celebration of the 2011 Nurses' Week to addressing shortfalls in our care contribution with particular reference to attitude towards care and the human subjects who constitute our clients and stake holders.

#### **Plan of Action**

Inauguration (Thematic message by Pres)	Thursday, 12 <sup>th</sup> May 2011
Week of celebration (by all regions)	Monday, 16 <sup>th</sup> – Sunday, 22 <sup>nd</sup> of May 2011
Theme for the celebration	Nurses/Midwives: Self Assessment on Attitude

#### **Suggested Calibre of Resource Persons**

- Religious body representative
- CHRAJ representative
- General Publics, example, Market Women and teachers
- Nurses and Midwives' Council of Ghana representative
- Directors of Nursing
- The Employer

#### **Suggested Topics**

- Customer Care Service
- The Law and the Nurse
- Nurse/Patient-Patient Relatives' Relationship
- Nurse/Nurse Relationship
- Nurse/Professional Colleagues' relationship
- Remuneration and Motivation for the carer (Nurses and Midwives)
- The Nurse/Midwife as a social advocate
- The Nurse under the microscope: Attitude and commitment to work
- Influence of conduct on quality nursing care

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