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NORNA 2017

NORNA Autumn meeting in Helsinki, 26th - 27th of October 2017

Representatives:

Catarina Augustson	Sweden
Anne-Marie Nilsson	Sweden
Janni Ulrich	Denmark
Marja Sirkeinen	Finland
Marianne Lundsten	Finland
Anna Valsdóttir	Iceland
Þórbjörg Ása Kristinsdóttir	Iceland
Aina Hauge	Norway

Absent :

Jette Isberg	Denmark
Anne Lind Jolstadt	Norway

The meeting was held at Finnish Sjuksköterskeföreningens office, Annankatu 31-33 C 50 00100 Helsinki

Thursday, 26th of October, 2017 the Norna board had lunch at Loiste-restaurant, Kaivokatu 3, Helsinki from 12.00 am to 12.30 pm. The meeting took place from 13:00 to 16:30 pm.

After the meeting the board went for a dinner at 19:00 pm to the Restaurant Lappi, Annankatu 22.

Friday, 27th of October, the NORNA board went to visit the OR for plastics and the OR for neurosurgery at the Töölö hospital from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. We had lunch from 11:30 am to 12:30 pm at Il Sogno restaurant, Töölöntöri 2.

Report from the NORNA meeting held in Helsinki, 26.-27.October 2017.

Thursday, 26th of October 2017

- The Norna board had lunch at Loiste-restaurant, Kaivokatu 3, Helsinki from 12.00 am to 12.30 pm.
- After Marianne welcomed everyone to the meeting, we heard the national updates - a short report around the table

Norway:

They had a national congress for nurses in September with 214 participants. There are two new groups of OR nurses graduating. In Norway there has been problems getting enough OR nurses. At the moment the situation is best for many and all the places for OR nurses are filled. The OR for day surgery is still missing some nurses. There are new nurses coming to the national board of OR nurses, two nurses from the current board are continuing.

Sweden:

There is a suggestion to fix the lack of OR nurses in Sweden with practical nurses with no OR-education. The OR nurses association is strongly against it and try get more OR nurses instead.

The "Stark i livet stark i kirurgi"- project is ongoing to prevent smoking and using alcohol before going for surgery. Now there is a new project and the Ministry of Health has given money to get information about patients lifestyle. Nurses interview patients 1-2 weeks after operation by phone asking questions about their alcohol consuming, smoking, eating habits and exercise 6-8 weeks before operation. They are planning to make a manual for the patients what to do before operation. This is a pilot project that started in September and is finished in December 2017.

There are new hospitals being built and old renovated but there are not enough nurses to work there.

The national two day congress for OR nurses is held in November-December in Stockholm.

Iceland:

They are planning the annual congress for OR nurses and doctors in March and the spring meeting for OR nurses. There are total of 150 OR nurses in Iceland. They are not all working as nurses at the moment. They have been seeking other jobs for better salary and work environment.

OR education: 18 new students started last fall. New thing is that all the students have each a contact OR nurse, a mentor that follows them through the whole study.

There is a new Report from the Icelandic national audit office last October focusing on the nursing shortage in Iceland. Landspítali University hospital has had to postpone surgeries and treatments and close units. The hospital is now asking for more funding to improve the situation.

Denmark:

They have a national congress at 31.10-1.11.2017 from Tuesday to Wednesday.

In December they have a board meeting where they select the the Norna representatives. In Denmark all the hospitals had to save every year 2% from their costs, this has just been removed. To some Hospitals it has become worse, this year the savings where raised up to 10% for some departments. The hospitals save for example by sending less nurses to congresses.

The committee is continuing the work to plan and design the Masters degree education for nurses. The committee is working at the presentation for the Ministry of health. The committee work to introduce the education to the Ministry of health in May 2018.

Finland:

There was a national congress for OR nurses in Seinäjoki, Finland in September with 200 participants. We had a FORNA board meeting. All the same 13 board members are continuing in the board.

There are not unemployed OR nurses in Finland, some OR:s don't have enough OR nurses.

The most "popular" ORs can have even 50 applicants for the open jobs.

The big SOTE, Social and Healthcare reformation, is still going on.

FORNA has its 30 year jubileum year in 2018 and the congress is held in Helsinki 11.-12.October 2018 and there are many lectures in English.

- Last report from the March 2017 meeting
- NORNA congress 2018 Sweden, Stockholm
 - Ann-Marie and Catarina told us about the NORNA congress that is held 29.-30. November 2018 in Stockholm. There is a new call for abstracts, the new deadline is 15 November
 - At the moment there are only 6 abstracts
 - Anne-Marie Nilsson is the chairman of the Congress. Catarina Augustson is the chairman for the scientific group. There are six members in the scientific group. There will be lectures also in Swedish on Thursday.

Friday 28.October 2017

- From 09.30 am we visited Töölö hospital, first OR for plastic surgery. Professor Erkki Tukiainen gave us a lecture telling about the history of the surgery in Finland and some history of Töölö hospital. Marianne and Marja told about the OR and we got to know the unit and how it works. We visited also the OR for neurosurgery in Töölö hospital and the assistant head nurse Ica Jansson introduced us the OR.
- AOB
 - After NORNA congress 2018 in Sweden we will discuss if the NORNA congress is every second year or every fourth year

- Closing the meeting

Next meeting:

1. Stockholm, Sweden 15.-16 March 2018.
2. Ann_Marie and Catarina will organize the meeting and find a suitable hotel for the group.
3. Future topics for NORNA:
 - Documentation
 - Patients safety in OR.
 - Who checklist, purpose and importance

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