

“Telenursing Working Group”
Introduction

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What is Telenursing?

- **Telenursing** – is defined as the practice of nursing over distance using telecommunications technology. National Council of State Board of Nursing (NCSBN), 1997
- **Telenursing** - refers to the use of telecommunications technology in nursing to enhance patient care. It involves the use of electromagnetic channels (e.g.wire, radio and optical) to transmit voice, data, and video communication signals. It is also defined as distance communications, using electrical or optical transmissions, between humans and/or computers. International Council of Nurses (ICN), 2001

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Greenland Telenurses

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Historic time line of events:

- **April 6, 2008 Med-e-Tel Conference initial discussion of forming a Telenursing Working Group**
- **May 2008 Mission & Vision Statement ISfTeH approved**
- **October 5, 2008 ISfTeH & Canadian Society of Telehealth Annual Conference meeting provided us with an opportunity to kick off our “First Annual International Telenursing Workshop”, held in Ottawa, Canada.** We had several well-known and distinguished Canadian telenurse speakers and nurse colleagues who provided their expertise on different telenursing applications in Canada.
- **International advancements with (ICN) & Nightingale Initiative –**
Creating a web of networks throughout the world

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The Nightingale Declaration for Our Healthy World

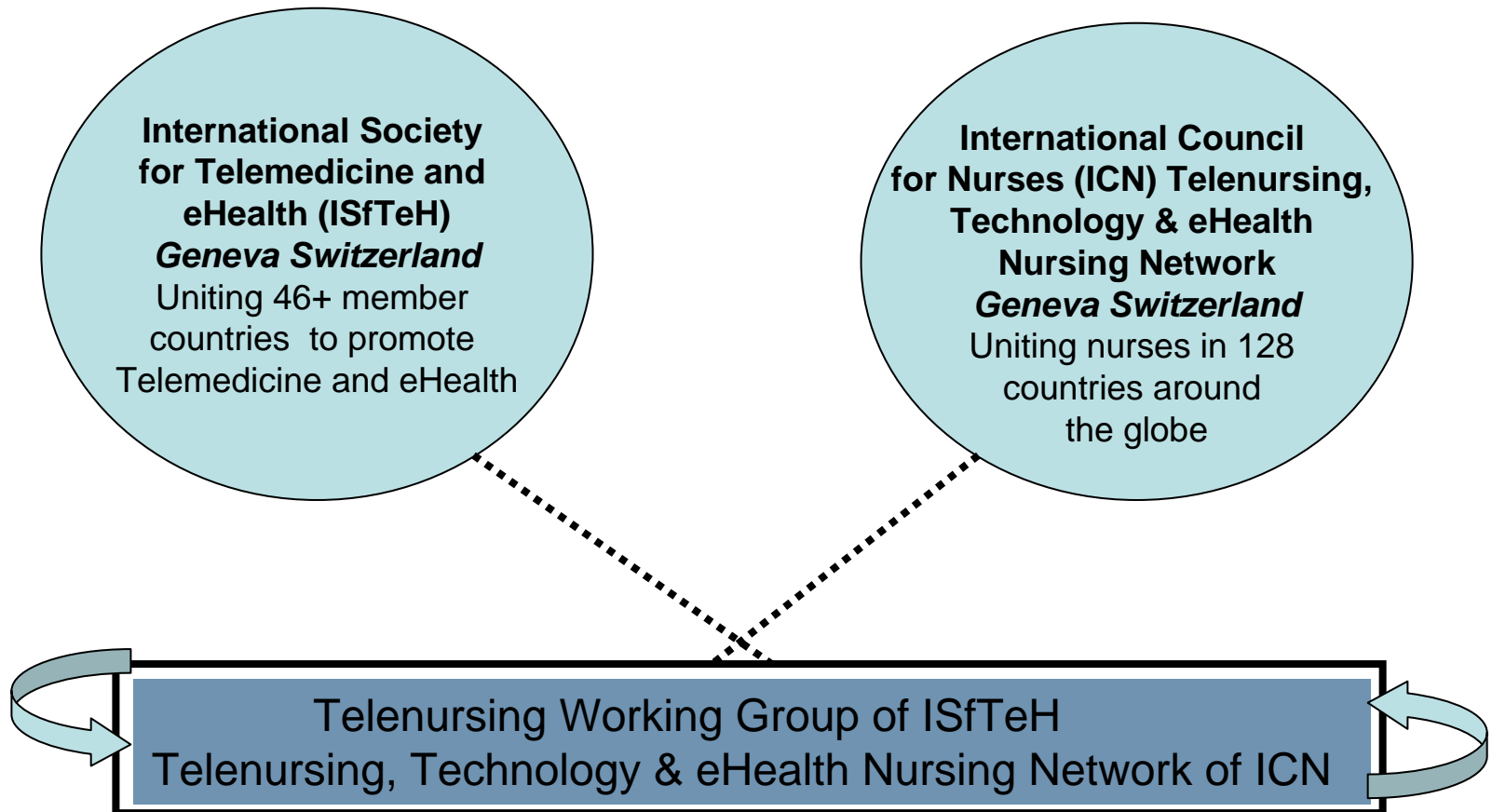
"We, the nurses and concerned citizens of the global community, hereby dedicate ourselves to the accomplishment of a healthy world by the year 2020."

- “Declare their willingness to unite in a program of action, sharing information and solutions to resolve problems and improve conditions -- locally, nationally and globally -- in order to achieve health for all humanity.
- They resolve to adopt personal practices and to implement public policies in our communities and nations, making this goal for the year 2020 achievable and inevitable, beginning today in our own lives, in the life of our nations and in the world at large.“

ISfTeH Telenurses can collaborate and teach Nightengale Nurses about the use of telehealth applications thereby helping the Nightingale Pledge for a healthier world by 2020.

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Power of International Telenursing



Developments of Steering Committee, Webpage, Telenursing Workshop

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Who, What, Why, Where and How????



We need a GPS for Telenursing!!!!

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WHO

- **ISfTeH was interested in having a formalized Telenursing presence within the organization.**
- **Founding telenurse volunteers proposed to form the Telenursing Working Group at the April 2008 ISfTeH Board of Director's Meeting held at the Med-e-tel Conference in Luxembourg.**
- **Invite telenurses from other countries to join us**

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WHAT

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Mission/Vision Statement is to advance the role of telenurses in order to

- Increase adoption of telehealth/telemedicine for nurses to collaborate across disciplines
- export nursing knowledge and expertise using technology to those who need care
- identify methods whereby nursing knowledge and expertise can be distributed and provided to needy countries/regions
- provide telenursing knowledge and expertise
- collaborate with the International Council of Nurses and other international professional nursing organizations to collaborate and educate nurses globally regarding telemedicine / telehealth / and ehealth applications in caring for patients remotely

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WHEN

- The Telenursing Working Group will meet each year at the ISfTeH Annual Conference and via teleconference calls ?x/year decision to be made from membership as is requested
- The Telenursing Working Group will present an annual Telenursing workshop at the ISfTeH Annual Conference to highlight the work of Telenurses of the host country. Leadership with assist and guide telenurses in the initial organization of the host countries Telenursing workshop.

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WHERE

- **The 2nd Annual Telenursing Workshop will be held at the Fall 2009 ISfTeH 15th Annual Conference scheduled to be held in Moscow, Russia.**
- **Telenurses from this host country will be encouraged to share their expertise on the use of telemedicine, telehealth or ehealth applications in their country.**
- **Goal is to help telenurses to understand the telehealth needs in different countries and share experiences.**

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How

Network, communicate, and collaborate with other Telenurses from your country and other countries/ identify needs of nurses who need technology

Goal is to collect and distribute used computers for telenurses

How to join ISfTeH TWG: Go to the ISfTeH Website for general information

<http://www.isft.net/>

Find: “Working Groups”

Click on Memberships

Nurses are provided free membership until December 2009

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**“Health is not only to be well –
But to use well every power we have”**

Florence Nightingale 1893

Thank you and please join ISfTeH TWG in our global efforts