

# 1st INTERNATIONAL CONGRESS OF OIK



Kosovo Chamber of nurses, midwives, and other health professionals organizes:

**1st International Congress of Nurses, Midwives and Other Health Professionals of the Balkans (ICNMHPB)  
May 6th - 7th 2021**

*Focused on*

***“The Role, Importance and Challenges of Nurses, Midwives, and other Health Professionals During the Covid-19 Pandemic”***

In cooperation with Chambers, Universities, and Nurses' Associations from Albania, Northern Macedonia, Slovenia, Croatia, and Turkey



## **Acknowledgments and Conclusions of the 1st International Congress of Nurses, Midwives and Other Health Professionals of the Balkans Congress CNMHPB**

Dear partners, collaborators, colleagues, friends and participants of the Congress CNMHPB 2021,

Within the capacity given to me as the Secretary of the International Congress, I am writing to you with the goal to share the outcomes deriving from the *1st International Congress of Nurses, Midwives and Other Health Professionals of the Balkans Congress*, held on 06/07.05.2021 in Pristina.

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I would like to start this email with a sincere expression of gratitude to the donor of this Congress: "Western Balkan Fund", without whose support and cooperation this congress wouldn't be possible.

I would like to extend my acknowledgment for his tireless effort of the President of the Congress Mr. Naser Rrustemaj and the Vice President Mrs. Monika Azhman.

The distinguished success of this Congress goes to the hardworking of management and administration of our Chamber of Nurses, Midwives and other health professionals, to congress scientific council, organizing council, to all other Chambers, Orders, University and cooperating institutions who contributed in the Congress.

Special salutation is addressed to the Ministry of Health of Kosovo, respectively to the Minister Mr. Arben Vitia, that honored us with his presence during the opening of the congress.

Last but not least, a very special acknowledgment goes to the participants and presenters from Slovenia, Albania, Croatia, Northern Macedonia, Turkey, Italy and Kosovo that honored us with their active participation onsite and online. Their active presence confirmed to us that sharing experiences is the best way of learning .

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## **THE CONCLUSIONS OF:**

*The 1<sup>st</sup> International Congress of Nurses, Midwives and Other Health Professionals of the Balkans Congress CNMHPB, held on 06, 07.05.2021 in Pristina.*

- Events like this gives opportunities to all health care professionals to present their scientific works, collaborate and exchange experiences with their colleagues from other countries, discuss challenges they are facing in their daily work , in particular during the COVID-19.
- Lifelong nursing education is very important for the Nursing profession development as well as the Quality of Health Care which may be achieved through continuous research in the respective field.
- Large number of participants of health professionals from Albania, Slovenia, Turkey, Croatia, Italy and Northern Macedonia, showed that there is an emergent need to continue with joint events since there is lack of cooperation among professionals within the health sector.

- Participants of the Congress coming from Albanian-speaking countries highlighted the need for networking, since they perceive it as an effective tool for the development of Nursing practices in the countries of the region and beyond. The constant update of work practices is also considered as a necessity to be accepted by the European Union.
- The need for professional development of nursing profile has to be further harmonized with other health sectors.
- Role of Chamber of Nurses has to be empowered since it was confirmed that Chamber is one of the great promoters for the positive changes within the framework of Medical Science but also local economy and foreign employment sector.
- Panelists of the Congress stressed out many challenges that nurses and other health professionals around the world are going through, they are at the center of efforts to prevent and manage the COVID-19 pandemic. Thus their role in combating pandemic is vital.
- Nurses shall receive more induction trainings when joining the COVID-19 hospitals how to use EPP but also how to treat patients in order to protect the mental health.

Sincerely,

Secretary of Congress

Mr. Xhemajl Dugolli