



# The Public Health Perspective

ESSENTIAL INFORMATION FOR EVERY NURSE

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17 - 30 January 2026 | 24 CPD Hrs



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## WHAT THIS CONFERENCE IS ABOUT

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Every Nurse is part of the public health story. This Conference cuts through the noise to deliver what matters — practical, need-to-know public health insights that shape the work you do every day. Whether you work in a hospital, clinic, community, or specialty area, this event reveals how public health impacts your work and equips you with the knowledge to stay ahead.

From tackling infectious diseases to navigating mental health challenges and addressing health inequities, you'll gain the tools to connect the dots between patient care and the bigger picture. No fluff, no jargon — just real-world, essential knowledge to elevate your practice and your impact.

Step into the future of nursing with a fresh perspective that's relevant, actionable, and designed for every Nurse.



## LEARNING OUTCOMES

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By the end of the Conference, participants will:

- Understand Public Health's Relevance Across All Nursing Specialties
- Recognise how public health principles directly influence patient care, clinical decision-making, and healthcare systems, regardless of specialty.
- Identify and address key public health challenges practical and insights into tackling major issues such as infectious diseases, chronic conditions, mental health disparities, and health inequities.
- Translate public health strategies into actionable steps to enhance both individual patient care and broader community health outcomes.

## YOU WILL ALSO LEARN

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- What public health is and how these principles impact everyday practice
- Global and local health systems
- Emerging trends in health care and how to lead change
- How to equip yourself with the tools and confidence to navigate future challenges and responses during care
- Practical strategies for addressing socio-economic and environmental influences on health outcomes
- Disparities in healthcare access and outcomes
- How public health initiatives drive systemic improvements in healthcare delivery
- About managing outbreaks and vaccine-preventable illnesses.
- How mental health intersects with nursing care across all settings
- About trauma informed care
- How patients and communities affected by addiction
- How cultural understanding in improving patient care and outcomes
- About climate change, pollution, and sustainable practices in healthcare
- How telehealth, mobile apps, and digital records are transforming public health
- Strategies for delivering effective healthcare in underserved areas
- Effective communication strategies to address vaccine hesitancy and misinformation
- How using public health statistics and trends to improve patient outcomes
- How Nurses leading public health initiatives and shaping policies
- Strategies to navigate complex ethical dilemmas in diverse healthcare settings
- Practical approaches to advocating for patients, communities, and systemic change
- About successful collaborations that improved public health outcomes
- About public health principles and individual nursing specialties
- How to integrate public health knowledge into everyday practice

## DETAILED ITINERARY



### DAY 1: 17/01/2026 | Depart Singapore | 1900

#### TBA: Conference Registration and Welcome Function

Enjoy this opportunity to mingle with the other attendees at the complimentary drinks and Conference Registration function.

All delegates are required to attend the Conference registration session to collect their Conference pack and confirm registration details to ensure the correct issuing of their CPD certificate.

#### 1900: We set Sail

Make sure you are on deck to say goodbye to Singapore.

### DAY 2: 18/01/2026 | Conference Day | Understanding the Public Health Perspective

#### Theme: Laying the Foundation for Public Health in Nursing

#### 0830 – 0930: What is Public Health? A Fresh Perspective for All Nurses

This session will present an overview of public health and its role across nursing disciplines, using real-world examples of how public health principles impact everyday practice.

#### 0930 – 1030: Social Determinants of Health: The Forces Shaping Your Patients' Lives

Our presenter will explore practical strategies for addressing socio-economic and environmental influences on health outcomes.

#### 1030 – 1100: Break

#### 1100 – 1200: Public Health Systems: How They Work and Why They Matter

At the end of this session, you will have an understanding of global and local health systems and how they support nursing practice.

#### 1200 – 1300: Health Equity in Action: Ensuring Fair Outcomes for All Patients

Prevention is political! During this session our presenter will explore case studies that address disparities in healthcare access and outcomes.

#### 1300 – 1500: Break

#### Afternoon Self-directed via the Online Library

#### Community Health Starts Here: The Nurse's Role in Population Health

This Conference session will explore the connections between individual care and community health outcomes.

#### The Bigger Picture: Public Health and Its Impact on Healthcare Systems

This session will take a closer look at how public health initiatives drive systemic improvements in healthcare delivery.

#### 1800 – 1900: Networking Session

### DAY 3: 19/01/2026 | On Shore in Phuket, Thailand | 0700 – 1900

Phuket is a tropical escape with gorgeous beaches, clear blue waters, and a laid-back vibe that makes you feel like you're on a real holiday.

It's a food lover's dream, with everything from delicious street food to fresh seafood right by the ocean. Whether you want to relax, explore, or dive into some adventure, there's something for everyone here.

#### 1800 – 1900: Networking Session

"The presenter, Wendy was very knowledgeable and engaging. She understood the audience and knew what they were talking about."

Christine, How to Regain Professional Authority through Effective Communication, Hobart, 2024



#### DAY 4: 20/01/2026 | On Shore in Langkawi, Malaysia 0700 – 1900

Langkawi is a stunning island in Malaysia that offers a perfect mix of natural beauty and laid-back charm. With its white sandy beaches, turquoise waters, and lush rainforests, it's the ideal spot for both relaxation and adventure. Take a ride on the famous Langkawi Sky Bridge for breathtaking views, explore the island's waterfalls and mangroves, or simply unwind on a quiet beach.

1800 – 1900: Networking Session



#### DAY 5: 21/01/2026 | On Shore in Penang, Malaysia 0700 – 1700

Penang, often called the "Pearl of the Orient," is a vibrant mix of culture, history, and incredible food. Known as Malaysia's foodie capital, it's the perfect place to indulge in mouthwatering street food like char kway teow, laksa, and satay. Beyond the flavours, Penang offers a rich heritage, with George Town's colourful streets, colonial architecture, and iconic street art providing endless charm.

1800 – 1900: Networking Session



#### DAY 6: 22/01/2026 | On Shore in Kuala Lumpur (Port Klang), Malaysia | 0700 – 1600

Kuala Lumpur, Malaysia's bustling capital, is a city of contrasts where modern skyscrapers meet historic temples and vibrant street markets. Just a short drive from Port Klang, it's home to iconic landmarks like the Petronas Twin Towers, bustling shopping districts like Bukit Bintang, and cultural gems like the Batu Caves.

1800 – 1900: Networking Session

#### DAY 7: 23/01/2026 | Conference Day | Addressing Public Health Challenges Across Disciplines Theme: *Applying Public Health Principles in Practice*

##### 0830 – 0930: Infectious Diseases: Lessons Every Nurse Should Know

This session will present data and insights from managing outbreaks and vaccine-preventable illnesses.

##### 0930 – 1030: Chronic Disease Prevention: A Universal Nursing Priority

Our presenter will explore practical strategies for addressing socio-economic and environmental influences during this session.

##### 1030 – 1100: Break

##### 1100 – 1200: Mental Health as a Public Health Issue: Trauma-informed Care | Part One

This session will examine how mental health intersects with nursing care across all settings.

##### 1200 – 1300: Mental Health as a Public Health Issue: Trauma-informed Care | Part Two

This session will examine how mental health intersects with nursing care across all settings.

##### 1300 – 1500: Break

#### Afternoon Self-directed via the Online Library

##### Tackling Addiction: A Public Health Approach to Substance Use Disorders

This Conference session will explore evidence-based strategies to support patients and communities affected by addiction.

##### Cultural Competence and Public Health: Meeting Diverse Needs

This session will take a closer look at the importance of cultural understanding in improving patient care and outcomes.

##### 1800 – 1900: Networking Session

## DAY 8: 24/01/2026 | On Shore in Ho Chi Minh City (Phu My), Vietnam 1145 – All day

### Conference Day | Innovations and Emerging Trends in Public Health

*Theme: Preparing Nurses for Future Healthcare Challenges*

#### 0800 – 0900: Environmental Health: The Growing Impact on Nursing

During this session, our presenter will focus on climate change, pollution, and sustainable practices in healthcare.

#### 1000 – 1100: Digital Health and Public Health: Tools for the Modern Nurse

This session will explore how telehealth, mobile apps, and digital records are transforming public health.

#### 1100 – 1200: Global Health Perspectives: Connecting Local and Global Efforts

This session will examine how Nurses contribute to addressing global challenges like pandemics and migration.

#### Afternoon Self-directed via the Online Library

#### Rural and Remote Health: Bridging the Care Gap

During this session, you will explore strategies for delivering effective healthcare in underserved areas.

#### Vaccine Advocacy: Building Trust and Confidence in Communities

This Conference session will explore effective communication to address vaccine hesitancy and misinformation.

#### Public Health Data: How It Shapes Care Decisions

This session will take a closer look at using public health statistics and trends to improve patient outcomes.

#### Explore Ho Chi Minh City

Ho Chi Minh City is a vibrant mix of history and modern energy. Explore landmarks, savour street food like pho, and experience the buzz of markets and bustling streets. It's a city full of life and unforgettable charm.



#### 1800 – 1900: Networking Session

## DAY 9: 25/01/2026 | On Shore in Ho Chi Minh City (Phu My), Vietnam

Continue to explore this vibrant city.

#### 1800 – 1900: Networking Session

## DAY 10: 26/01/2026 | Conference Day | Leadership, Ethics, and Advocacy in Public Health

*Theme: Empowering Nurses to Make a Difference*

#### 0830 – 0930: Leadership in Public Health: Inspiring Change Across Disciplines

This session will explore various stories of Nurses leading public health initiatives and shaping policies.

#### 0930 – 1030: Ethical Challenges in Public Health Nursing

This session will explore how Nurses navigate complex ethical dilemmas in diverse healthcare settings.

#### 1030 – 1100: Break

#### 1100 – 1200: Advocacy in Action: Influencing Policy for Better Health Outcomes

This session will examine practical approaches to advocating for patients, communities, and systemic change.

#### 1200 – 1300: Collaboration Across Disciplines: The Power of Interdisciplinary Teams

This session will highlight successful collaborations that improved public health outcomes.

#### 1300 – 1500: Break

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#### Public Health in Your Specialty: Making It Relevant to Your Role

Our presenter will connect the dots between public health principles and individual nursing specialties during this session.

#### The Future of Public Health: How Nurses Can Lead the Way

This session will reflect on strategies for integrating public health knowledge into everyday practice.

#### 1800 – 1900: Networking Session

**DAY 11: 27/01/2026 | On Shore in Sihanoukville, Cambodia | 0800 – 1700 (Tender Port)**



Sihanoukville, Cambodia, is a coastal getaway known for its beautiful beaches, turquoise waters, and laid-back vibe. It's a gateway to stunning islands like Koh Rong and Koh Rong Samloem, perfect for snorkelling, diving, or simply relaxing. With its mix of local culture, fresh seafood, and scenic sunsets, Sihanoukville offers a peaceful escape with a touch of adventure.

**1800 – 1900: Networking Session**

**DAY 12: 28/01/2026 | On Shore in Ko Samui, Thailand | 0800 – 1700 (Tender Port)**



Koh Samui is a perfect stop for cruise travellers, offering a mix of relaxation and adventure. Step off the ship and head to its stunning beaches, like Chaweng or Lamai, for sun and sea. Explore iconic landmarks such as the Big Buddha or the picturesque waterfalls or indulge in fresh Thai seafood at a beachfront restaurant. Whether you're seeking serenity or excitement, Koh Samui is an unforgettable island escape.

**1800 – 1900: Networking Session**

**DAY 13: 29/01/2026 | On Shore in Bangkok (Laem Chabang), Thailand | 0600**



Bangkok, accessible from the port of Laem Chabang, is a bustling city that blends vibrant culture, rich history, and modern energy. From the stunning Grand Palace and Wat Arun to the lively markets and delicious street food, the city offers endless exploration. Take a boat ride along the Chao Phraya River or shop at iconic spots like Chatuchak Market.

**1800 – 1900: Networking Session**

**TBA: Farewell Reception**

Join our presenters and other attendees to say a final goodbye to friends old and new.

**DAY 14: 30/01/2026 | Disembark Bangkok (Laem Chabang), Thailand | 0800**

**0800: Safe travels!**

"I always enjoy Sue Walkers presentations. She is very fabulous at including everyone. I always enjoy Nursing CPD presentations. I've been attending since 2011 and have never been disappointed. I look forward to my next adventure in learning and travelling."

Donna, Hamilton Island, 2023

## OUR PRESENTERS

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**SUE WALKER, RN, BN, BN (ADMIN), MPH (PALCARE), MACN, Specialist Nurse Educator**

Sue is the director and co-founder of the Nurses for Nurses Network. Sue is a key contributor to the online education platform Nursing CPD – a Continuing Professional Development platform to assist Nurses in meeting their annual CPD requirements.

As a Registered Nurse, Sue holds Degrees in Nursing and Health Administration, a Master's Degree in Public Health, and a number of certificate courses in Psychiatry of Ageing, Gerontology, Chemotherapy Administration, and training and assessment. She is also an Accredited Mental Health First Aid Trainer, Mindfulness Practitioner, and clinical Supervisor.

Sue has extensive experience as a clinician, educator, and senior manager. She has presented at local and international Conferences on many topics including key issues in healthcare such as the psychological impact of the work that Nurses do and how the work requirements to deliver healthcare impact the health of the clinician. Other topics presented comprise of Nursing Leadership, Emergency Management, Mental health, Aged Care, Advanced Life Support, Assertiveness, Grief and Loss, and Workplace Bullying.

Sue is passionate about making a difference in how the community and Nurses experience the healthcare system.

"Nurses are the backbone of the healthcare system and work in difficult environments that can take advantage of their commitment to ensuring the best possible care is delivered. To continue to meet professional and community expectations Nurses and Midwives need to acknowledge their unique contribution to healthcare delivery and assert their collective strength to safeguard the community and ensure their ongoing professional needs are recognised and met.

Healthcare should be delivered by competent, knowledgeable individuals to ensure the best possible experience for the recipient of that care. Nursing is a fabulous profession. The knowledge and skill of the individual Nurse will have the greatest influence on the happiness and health outcomes of each and every client".



**DR WENDY MCINTOSH, RGN, RMHN, GRAD. DIP MH, MN, CERT IV WORKPLACE ASSESSMENT and TRAINING, GROUP LEADERSHIP CERT, MRCNA, MANZCMHN, AANZPA**

Wendy has over 30 years of experience as a health professional (clinical, education, and research), twenty-five of those years in mental health. Areas of specific interest and passion for Wendy include professional supervision, professional boundaries, professional identity, links between childhood trauma and mental illness, and workplace bullying. Wendy has over 20 years of experience as a psychodrama trainee – lifelong learning. She is committed to using experiential learning in her work with individuals and groups. Wendy maintains a full diary of workshops throughout Australia and London UK and consistently receives feedback on her passion, knowledge, and creativity as a presenter and facilitator.

Wendy continually integrates the learning and insights she gains from her work within professional boundaries. She has developed internet training tools and education packages for individuals and organisations and delivers webinars for organisations.

With the assistance of six podcast episodes titled 'Professional Boundaries', explores and guides listeners on their personal and reflective journey through boundaries.

## OUR CONVENOR

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**JASON DAWSON**

Jason is from the Gold Coast, Queensland. Whilst studying for his Bachelor of Nursing at Southern Cross University, he developed an interest in mental health and has worked in this field of nursing for many years since completing his studies in 2008. During this time, Jason has undertaken varied roles, including Acute Inpatient Nursing, Community Nursing, clinical facilitating and Nurse Unit Manager positions. In 2012, Jason combined his passion for nursing with his love of travel and founded CPD Cruise Pty Ltd with the view to providing Nurses, Midwives, Allied Health Professionals and Teachers/Educators the opportunity to update and improve their skills in diverse and unique locations.

## REGISTRATION COSTS

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\$1390.00 incl GST (NB: Registration cost doesn't include travel, accommodation, or travel insurance.)

## VENUE

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### Norwegian Sun

This elegant ship provides a refined atmosphere with accommodations ranging from luxurious Suites to Family Balconies. Enjoy lively entertainment from the poolside to the casino or relax at the award-winning Mandara Spa®. Diverse dining options, including Cagney's Steakhouse and the Great Outdoors buffet, guaranteeing a culinary adventure for every palate.

## INCLUSIONS

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- An extensive Conference program based on current best practice
- Conference Presenters that are excited to be able to share their skill, knowledge, and passion with Conference Attendees
- An online Conference library filled to the brim with educational content that allows you to create your own learning experience by completing pre-Conference education activities
- A Conference Transcript that identifies each session held at the Conference including the session synopsis and session presenter
- A Certificate of Completion identifying the CPD hours for you to include in your CPD Evidence Portfolio

## INSURANCE

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*The Nurses for Nurses Network and Education at Sea strongly recommends customers take out travel insurance at the time of registration for an event to cover any unforeseen circumstances that may prevent them attending and thus incurring any financial loss.*

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