PROFESSIONAL EXCHANGES

NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF NEONATAL NURSES (NANN)

Delegation to Morocco

March 28 - April 4, 2020

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APPLY TO JOIN THIS DELEGATION | QUESTIONS? Contact Dawn Davis, dawn.davis@worldlearning.org or +1-202-464-6742
Connect with nurses, clinicians, administrators, and other neonatal specialists in Morocco on the NANN delegation. Led by Joan Rikli, President of NANN, the program will give you a unique opportunity to learn about the state of healthcare and neonatal nursing in this developing country in north Africa.

The Kingdom of Morocco, led by King Mohammad VI, is committed to building a strong healthcare infrastructure, both public and private. Since 2015, Morocco has been in the process of building over 30 hospitals, including five University hospitals. This delegation will have the opportunity to learn how this advancement will transform the challenges faced today by Morocco’s growing healthcare system.

**LEADER BIOGRAPHY**

Joan Rikli, MBA MSN RN CPNP-PC NE-BC, is the president of the National Association of Neonatal Nursing (NANN) as well as the nursing director for neonatal intensive care and pediatric services at Helen DeVos Children’s Hospital in Grand Rapids, Michigan. She received her BSN from UCLA, her MSN from the University of Michigan, and her MBA from Grand Valley State University. Ms. Rikli has over 35 years of experience in nursing leadership and neonatal nursing. In addition to serving on the board of directors for NANN, she also is a board member for the March of Dimes, Grand Rapids Division. She has contributed to multiple publications and speaks on a variety of nursing topics across the country. Joan is passionate about family-centered care, patient safety, quality improvement, and leadership development.
Professional visits will focus on topics such as:

- The state of nursing in Morocco from the perspective of health care professionals, government officials, and residents
- The role of parents in infant care and cultural implications for NICU care
- The APRN’s role in the NICU, long-term follow-up care, and community resources
- Models of care delivery in the NICU
- The health care economy in Morocco and the government’s role in healthcare provision
- Education and preparation for practice in the NICU

**BRIEF ITINERARY**

**SUNDAY**
- Departures from the U.S. to Casablanca, Morocco, by individual arrangements; transfer to Rabat. Delegates arrive throughout the day, with a walking tour in the afternoon and a program briefing in the evening.

**MONDAY**
- In an introduction to the Moroccan healthcare system, learn about strategic goals for development, public health priorities, and how the Ministry of Health works with international NGOs in formulating healthcare policy. Take a cultural tour of Rabat, including the Kasbah district of Oudaia, the Royal Palace, and the National Museum.

**TUESDAY**
- Meet with faculty and students at Mohamed V University of Rabat to discuss differences in the healthcare delivery systems of various NICU units, learn about nursing education programs in Morocco, and explore models of care delivery in the NICU. In the afternoon, travel to Fez.

**WEDNESDAY**
- In Fez, visit public and private hospitals with neonatal care facilities. Meet with physicians, nurses, and technicians to discuss current challenges, organizational development, and quality processes.

**THURSDAY**
- Visit a rural clinic to learn about access and limitations to medical resources, including pharmaceuticals and technology, in neonatal care, and about the community resources available for long-term follow-up care. Travel to Marrakech to experience the rich culture of Djemaa el-Fna, the city’s ancient market.

**FRIDAY**
- Visit a hospital in Marrakech to meet with NICU staff. In the afternoon, take a tour of historic Marrakech, including the mosque, palaces, and gardens of the old imperial city.

**SATURDAY**
- Depart for the United States or or continue on an optional tour of Morocco.

The program will be finalized based on the guidance of the delegation leader, the interests and composition of the group, and the scheduling needs of hosting resources in country.
ACCOMPANYING GUESTS

Guests are welcome to join the delegation at the same rate as professional participants, and will have opportunities to enjoy cultural enrichment and community service activities in lieu of the professional program (minimum of 6 guests required for a formal program). This is a wonderful opportunity for your partner, spouse, or friend to share the experience of traveling in Morocco with you.

PRICING

Cost of Program: $4,995 per person (4-star accommodations)  |  Single Supplement Cost: $800 per person

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Prospective participants must apply and be approved by the delegation leader before proceeding with registration. A $500 nonrefundable deposit is due upon approval of your application. The balance is due upon receipt of invoice, 90 days before departure.

Program fees are based on double rooms. A single-room supplement is provided as an option. If you have to cancel, you must submit your request in writing, dated upon receipt.

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CONDITIONS OF PARTICIPATION

Please be sure to read World Learning’s Conditions of Participation and the U.S. Department of State’s Travel Information on Morocco before registering. All participants must sign the Conditions in order to embark on the program.

The program must meet a minimum registration of 12 participants in order to proceed. If registration does not meet the minimum, the program may be canceled and all previously paid registration fees will be refunded. Please see the Conditions of Participation for further details on registration, payment, and refund policies.

OPTIONAL EXTENSION TOUR

While in Morocco, why not extend your travels to see more of the region? World Learning offers an optional additional excursion of 4 days through Morocco to enable you to maximize your experience overseas. This excursion will introduce you to a wider range of cultural, historical, and culinary sights and experiences.

4-DAY EXCURSION
Deserts and Kasbahs of Morocco
$1,520 per person
($920 single supplement)

Delegates must be enrolled in the core program in order to take advantage of this excursion price.
ABOUT WORLD LEARNING

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