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NEW CNMF TEAM 2027-2028

The result of the CNMF elections for President and Deputy President were announced at the 27th CNMF Biennial Meeting of Members.

Mrs Evelyn Kannan, Secretary General of the Trained Nurses Association of India (TNAI) is the new CNMF President and Mr Simon Hlungwani, President of the Democratic Nursing Organisation of South Africa (DENOSA) is the new CNMF Deputy President.



Mrs Evelyn Kannan



Mr Simon Hlungwani

The CNMF Board and members welcome the new leadership team and look forward working with them to implement their vision for the CNMF for the future.

Members also welcomed the new Regional Board Member for Asia, Dr Annie Kumar, President of the Trained Nurses Association of India. The new Regional Board Member for the East, Central and Southern Africa Region will be announced soon.

The Terms of Office are for four years and commenced at the close of the 27th Biennial Meeting of Members and will run until the close of the 29th CNMF Biennial Meeting in 2030.



Dr Annie Kumar
Asia



Mr Nkwain Joseph
West Africa



Ms Lynn Woolsey
Europe



Mr Idi Stuart
Atlantic



Dr Alisi Vudiniabola
Pacific

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7th Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Conference
Thursday 24 and Friday 25 September 2026
New Delhi, India



The 7th Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Conference was an amazing experience and very successful with over 600 attendees, who listened to 150 presentations; viewed 100 posters; and networked with nurses and midwives from twenty different countries.

The members and staff of the Trained Nurses Association of India (TNAI), who co-hosted the conference, gave everyone a wonderful welcome to New Delhi, and to the vibrant and colourful culture of India. The Book of Abstracts and the formal report of the conference will be available hopefully by the end of October once evaluation forms have been analysed, and will be uploaded to the CNMF and TNAI websites.

It is anticipated that the 8th Commonwealth Nurses and Midwives Conference will be held in South Africa in 2028, co-hosted by the Democratic Nursing Organisation of South Africa (DENOSA).

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27th CNMF BIENNIAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

Wednesday 23 September 2026

The 27th CNMF Biennial Meeting of Members was held in New Delhi India on Wednesday 23 September at the Greater Noida Campus of the Trained Nurses Association of India (TNAI) who co-hosted the Biennial Meeting.

At the meeting, members received reports from the President, Executive Secretary; and the Treasurer. To enhance connectivity with members, the CNMF Board endorsed the provision of two online webinars each year to every CNMF full financial member on a topic of relevance to the member. This programme will commence in 2027 and members will be contacted well in advance to plan the webinar topics and dates.

The latest CNMF policy: *Nurses and Midwives for Peace: the role and rights of nurses and midwives in disasters, conflicts and wars,* was also presented. The policy will go to members for comment and finalisation before being approved by the Board and circulated to members for voting.

27th CNMF Biennial Meeting of Member



Trained Nurses Association of India

