



# **NURSING & MIDWIFERY COUNCIL OF NIGERIA**

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## **BRIEFING ON EDUCATION UNIT**

### **Introduction**

The Education Section oversees all matters relating to the education activities of the Council. Its main activities involve initiating, planning, implementing and coordinating all Council's educational activities at basic and post basic levels.

### **Functions**

Development and review of Nursing and Midwifery curricula at all levels, periodically.

Evaluating Nursing and Midwifery programmes as required.

Planning and organizing continuing education workshops for nurses and midwives of various grades.

Liaising with various external bodies including International Organizations on matters relating to issues on Nursing and Midwifery education and practice.

Providing information to Secretary-General/Council on matters relating to Nursing and Midwifery education.

### **Supervision of the Registration Units**

Undertaking occasional accreditation visits to Schools of Nursing/Midwifery and/or Schools seeking approval for post basic nursing programmes with the inspection team.

Participating in other committees of Council e.g. Standards and Accreditation etc.) as well as external meetings that involve Nursing/Midwifery Education and Practice.

### **Implementing Council's policy on education.**

### **Enforcement of discipline in nursing profession.**

#### **(I) Mandatory Continuing Professional Development Programme (MCPDP)**

In the past few years, several changes have been made in the methods of providing treatment, surgical procedures, and even the medications prescribed. These technological advancements have made the job of nurses to evolve continuously.

To meet with these challenges it is mandatory that every nurse remain updated to ensure that best possible care is provided to clients / patients.

Also as a registered licensed nurse, one of the requirements for keeping that license is to complete a certain amount of hours of continuing education for nurses every three years. To keep abreast with the current trend in nursing profession the Nursing and Midwifery Council of Nigeria has developed modules for Mandatory Continuing Professional Development Programme (MCPDP) for all cadres of nurses in the country. All nurses are expected to attend at least two sessions of MCPDP every three years. Please note that evidence of attendance of this professional development programme shall be required by Council for renewal of licence for all nurses in the country.

## **(II) Development of Curriculum for Nephrology**

The Council has developed a curriculum for Nephrology Nursing with minimum standard for the establishment of a Nephrology Nursing Programme. Institutions that are interested in running the programme are expected to apply to the Council.