



UK/Vietnam Neonatal Nurse Training Partnership – Getting Ready to Go!

The Canterbury Christ Church University (CCCU) team returned to Da Nang last week, our first meeting was with the Director General of Training & Science for the Ministry of Health and all our Da Nang partners. The meeting discussed the challenges Vietnam faces in reducing neonatal mortality and advancing newborn care and the critical role that nurses play in improving outcomes. The Director welcomed the UK/Vietnam partnership and the opportunity to work together to build the capacity of nursing and teaching staff.



The partners with Prof. Nguyen Cong Khan, Director General, Dept. of Science & Training, Ministry of Health

The next stop was meetings with our partners the Da Nang National Technical College of Medicine No 2, Department of Health & the Hospital for Women & Children to finalise the partnership contracts, the curriculum, learning materials, the link between theory and practice, and competency testing. The nurses will be students of the Canterbury Christ Church University and the Da Nang College and their learning experience must meet UK and Vietnamese standards. A full assessment of the teaching environment and learning aids was carried out.



The nurses were delighted to meet the CCCU team again and enjoyed the presentation about the University and showed great interest in the interactive learning portal. Neonatal course information will be available on line in English and Vietnamese. The enrolment process was fun, some confusion with names and a lot of very serious looking photographs for the student cards. The nurses enjoyed their interviews and the opportunity to ask questions about the course.

Making Vietnam's First Certificate in Neonatal Nurse Training a Reality

The partners are delighted to announce that we have secured a Start Up Grant from UK THET (Tropical Health Education Trust) Partnerships for Global Health.

However the majority of the funding for the nurse training will come from a combination of individual and corporate sponsorship for the Cycle a Difference Vietnam 2013 Challenge Ride – 850 miles in 10 days ride across north-west and central Vietnam.

Our 25 British cyclists and 6 cyclists from international companies based in Vietnam are all doing amazing events and other feats to raise their personal sponsorship.

Help us make a 'Certificate in Neonatal Nursing' a reality – sign up to be a Cycle a Difference sponsor - with great PR opportunities - or directly Sponsor a Nurse's training.

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