


Duke University School of Nursing, Pan American Health
Organization-CPC, & Regional Nursing Body of CARICOM:
**Collaborating in Addressing Challenge of
Chronic Non-Communicable Diseases**

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Objectives

- ◆ Briefly describe the genesis of the partnership among Duke, PAHO, and RNB of CARICOM
 - ◆ Describe a major capacity building initiative to address CCNCD and the elderly
 - ◆ Outline recommendations for action resulting from the second Caribbean conference on the elderly and chronic diseases
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Exploratory Visit to Central America and Caribbean

- ◆ Meetings with PAHO
- ◆ Schools of Nursing
- ◆ Chief Nursing Officer (MO)
- ◆ Nursing Association
- ◆ NGOs
- ◆ Others
- ◆ 40 different meetings; 141 individuals
- ◆ Major issues
 - Growing elderly population
 - Cardiovascular diseases
 - Diabetes
 - Obesity
 - Mental health problems




The Request

- ◆ To assist the nursing and health care community to develop a comprehensive model of care for the elderly with cardiovascular disease and its co-morbidities
 - Evidenced-based
 - Increase capacity to educate nurses for elder care
 - Increase practice capacity of current health care providers
 - Provide Caribbean-wide assistance



Capacity Building Response

- ◆ Series of Caribbean-wide Continuing Education Conferences for Nursing and Other Health and Social Service Providers
 - ◆ 2007 Focus on Management in Acute Care Settings
 - ◆ 2008 Focus on Community-based Prevention & Health Promotion
 - ◆ 2009 Focus on Policy
 - ◆ Faculty Development in Geriatrics & Leadership Development
 - ◆ Collaborative Research
 - ◆ Student Immersion and Exchange Programs
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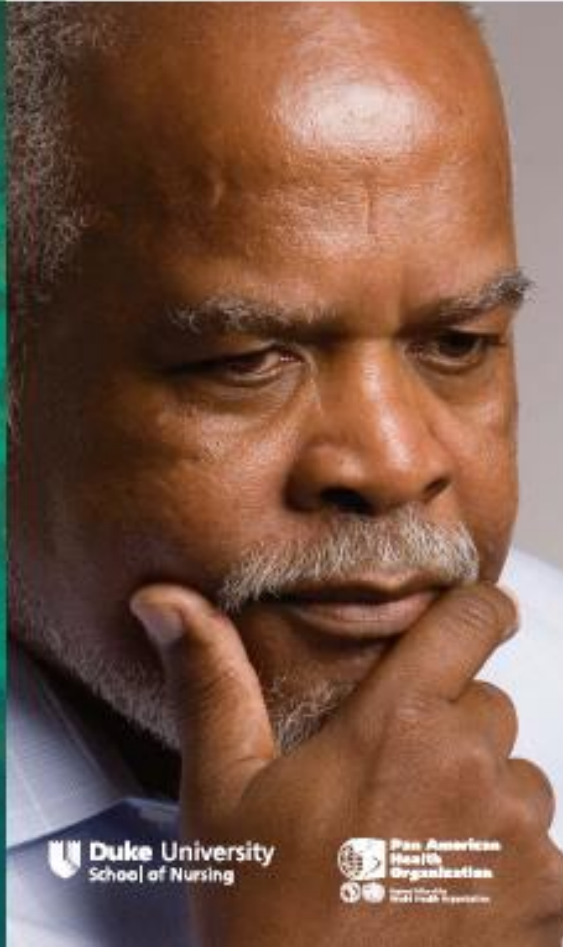
Duke University School of Nursing:
Office of Global & Community Health Initiatives
and the


Pan American Health Organization:
Office of Caribbean Program Coordination

Present

Managing Cardiovascular Disease in the Elderly

October 8 - 11, 2007
Christ Church, Barbados



 **Duke University**
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 **Pan American**
Health
Organization
United Nations
World Health Organization

**First Invitational
Continuing Education
Conference**

Objectives of 2007 Conference

- ◆ As regards Cardiovascular Disease, its co-morbidities, and the elderly, increase the capacity of providers of care and educators to:
 - influence functional and clinical outcomes of the elderly
 - improve educational base of care
 - promote coping strategies of family members
 - apply evidence to care
 - Strengthen continuity of care between institution & home
- ◆ Through interdisciplinary collaboration, build knowledge and set priorities for change and the agenda for 2008

Interdisciplinary Attendees


- ◆ 2007 Caribbean Conference, Accra Resort and Hotel, Barbados
- ◆ 167 Participants from 17 Caribbean Countries



Variety of Plenary and Breakout Sessions



Major Recommendations

- ◆ Promote generalist training in geriatrics/geronotology and explore advanced practice nursing roles in geriatrics
 - ◆ Advocate for standardized requirements, certification, and licensure for elder care providers
 - ◆ Workforce development and retention of nurses
 - ◆ Enactment of legislation and allocation of resources to support community-based prevention
 - ◆ Health screening, health education, & health promotion across life span
 - ◆ Develop infrastructure for research and generation of evidence to direct practice and justify legislation and legislation and policies
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Second Invitational Continuing Education Conference

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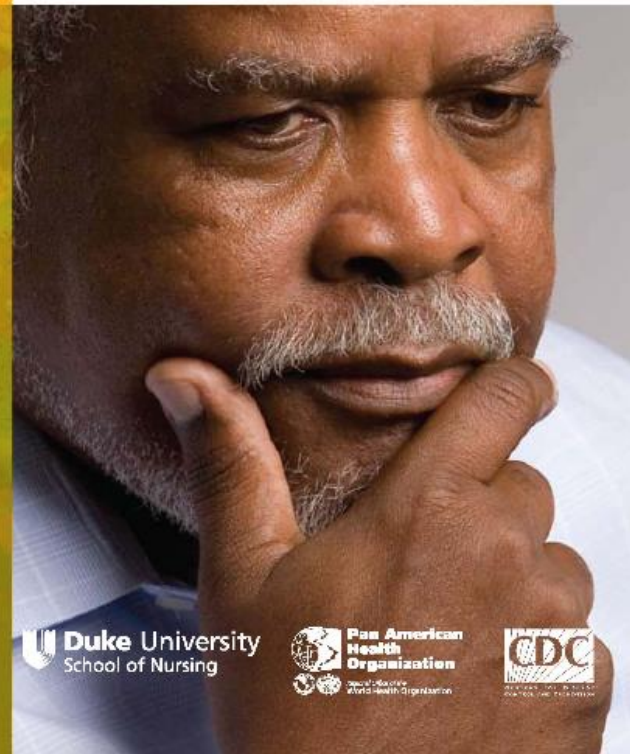
Centers for Disease Control and Prevention

PRESENT

The Second Invitational Continuing Education Conference on

Community-Based Prevention and Management of Cardiovascular and Other Chronic Diseases Among Caribbean Elderly: A Focus on Nursing Leadership


October 13 – 15, 2008
Jolly Beach Resort
Bolans, Antigua



Goals of 2008 Conference

- ◆ Using a collaborative process, further develop and refine a model of comprehensive care for the elderly in the Caribbean with cardiovascular and other chronic diseases which focuses on prevention, health promotion, and primary care offered through community-based programs; and
- ◆ Strengthen the capacity of the nursing workforce in the Caribbean to exercise leadership in developing a system of primary health care delivery to elderly Caribbean people with cardiovascular and other chronic diseases through scientific, teaching, clinical demonstration, and advocacy activities.

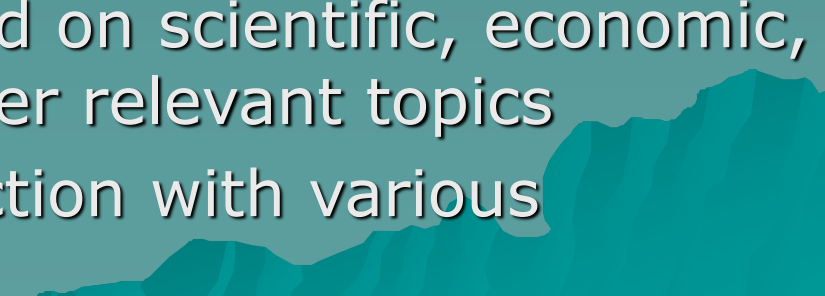
Major Capacity Building Strategies

- ◆ Variety of Plenary Sessions
 - ◆ Concurrent Mini Workshops on:
 - Education and Training in Geriatrics
 - Evidenced-based community-based models and programs for the elderly
 - Evidenced-based inter-generational prevention and health promotion
 - Enabling policy development and advocacy
 - Leadership for change
 - ◆ Concurrent Think Tank Sessions for Problem Solving and Consensus Building
 - ◆ Post Conference CNO Leadership Development and Strategic Planning Session
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Outcomes and Recommendations of 2008 Conference

- ◆ A menu of community-based prevention/health promotion programs & primary care programs for elderly & their families on a continuum from high level independence to high level dependency
- ◆ Specific services pertaining to each program
- ◆ Necessary workforce members and associated competencies
- ◆ Barriers that could prevent or impede program availability
- ◆ Strategies to overcome barriers
 - Coalitions with stakeholders from private and public sectors

Next Steps

- ◆ Intended refinement of plan by RNB with assistance and support from DUSON and other partners
 - ◆ Vetting with key stakeholders with further refinement
 - ◆ Forming coalitions and partnerships
 - ◆ Drafting of evidenced based white paper/policy paper as a center piece of 2009 Caribbean Conference
 - ◆ Conference agenda based on scientific, economic, policy, advocacy and other relevant topics
 - ◆ Finalize a proposal for action with various endorsements
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Any Questions?

