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scientific and social programmes are interesting and entertaining. I hope to see you there!

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### 1 A message from the President

Since our last Newsletter we have engaged in a number of important activities in preparation for the biennial General Assembly to be held in Glasgow in June. See below for more information.

We have also progressed with the Youth Initiative proposed by Antón Castellanos Usigli and Esther Corona. The Federations have responded to a call for nominations for membership of the Committee that will be fully representative of young sexologists. This is an exciting move and the number of nominations received indicates a strong interest. The Youth Initiative Committee's brief will be to encourage the participation of youth in the activities of WAS and to ensure that youth oriented issues are appropriately addressed. It will also serve to prepare a new generation of WAS officers.

The 2011 Congress is only a few weeks away. Kevan Wylie, President of the Congress and his team have been hard at work ensuring that the

### 2 WAS General Assembly in Glasgow

During the World Congress in Glasgow the General Assembly of the World Association for Sexual Health will meet on Tuesday June 14<sup>th</sup> commencing at 18:00.

Several initiatives will be presented for ratification, namely:

Modifications to the Statutes and Bylaws are proposed in order to meet the current ethos and activities of WAS. This document has been sent to all members 30 days prior to the General Assembly, as required under the Statutes. If for some reason you have not received a copy, please contact Rosemary Coates: [r.coates@curtin.edu.au](mailto:r.coates@curtin.edu.au)

The Standards of Practice for Sexological Anthropology & Sociology have been completed.

This is the 4<sup>th</sup> set of WAS Professional Standards. At the General Assembly in Goteborg, 2009, the first three Standards were ratified (Psychology & Psychotherapy; Medicine & Surgery; Sexuality

Education & Health Promotion). The 5<sup>th</sup> set of standards, for researchers is being prepared and will be ready for ratification in 2013.

A revised Values, Mission and Strategic Plan has been developed and will be available to members in Glasgow.

We will also be voting for the location of the World Congress in 2015. WAS has received bids from three countries: Singapore, South Korea and South Africa. Representatives of the bidding organizations will give a brief presentation prior to the vote.

WAS Member Organisations, whose annual dues are up-to-date are eligible to vote. One Delegate from each organization should be authorized by their association authorize to hold the voting card(s). The number of votes for each Member Organisation depends upon the number of members in that organisation. Voting credentials may be collected from the WAS booth in the Exhibition Hall before 18:00 on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> June.

**Message from our Secretary General/ Treasurer**  
**Up till now some associations and individuals**  
**have NOT yet paid their 2011 membership.**  
**You are urged to renew your membership**  
**and pay your dues.**  
**Only those members who have paid their dues**  
**will be eligible to vote.**

### 3 September 4<sup>th</sup> World Sexual Health Day

In 2010 the WAS-community celebrated World Sexual Health Day for the first time. With the slogan *Let's talk about it... an inter-gene-rational discussion*. Twenty-seven countries participated in promoting the importance of positive, healthy sexuality and functional communication between the generations. Activities varied from media coverage to academic symposia and from panel discussions to educational talks.

Brazil was one of the most active countries with major happenings in Sao Paulo (where an estimated 10.000 people listened to informal sex education and the accompanying music show), Porto Alegre (where >30.000 physicians were mailed on sexual health) and Rio de Janeiro where an event with guest speakers took place in a

Cultural Centre. For more pictures of the Brazil happenings: **see Attachment 1**.

WSHD 2010 helped to build awareness of the importance of sexual health for all age groups and all kinds of people. It also served to increase the visibility of WAS.

This year our focus is entirely on youth for two main reasons. Late August marks the end of the United Nations International Year of Youth and this year WAS will launch its Youth Initiative which endeavours to contribute to the sexual health and sexual rights of young people through their fuller participation of in the policies and activities of WAS.

This year's WSHD slogan is:

**Youth's sexual health.**  
**Shared rights and responsibilities.**

At this international celebration of sexual health and sexual rights we aim to involve as many young people as possible to ensure their views are heard. What does sexual health mean for them? Are their sexual rights recognized and respected? How can they face the responsibilities expected of them? What are the particular challenges to their sexual health and rights in their own context? What can young people do to achieve sexual health and their sexual rights?

This year September 4<sup>th</sup> is a Sunday, which in many countries is a day free from work and school. Thus in many cities and towns activities will be planned one or two days before or after. Any person or organization willing to participate should contact the WAS coordinator Esther Corona  
[ecoronav@gmail.com](mailto:ecoronav@gmail.com)

### 4 WAS Youth Initiative

With their energy, ideas and aspirations the 1.5 billion people in the 10-25 yr age group have an enormous potential for positive change. However they frequently have no means to influence and participate in sexual health programmes. In its Millennium Declaration the WAS emphasizes the special place of youth in comprehensive sexuality education, the basic foundation of knowledge, attitudes and skills that are so essential to the

attainment of optimal sexual health. We know that young people can become powerful advocates in matters of sexual health.

In Mexico Esther Corona, a very experienced WAS leader and Antón Castellanos Usigli a 22 year old psychology student, developed the plans for the WAS Youth Initiative. As a first step in that process WAS has created a global Youth Initiative Committee. Presently 13 young people from all parts of the globe have been nominated. A next step will be a Youth-Adult partnership with the WAS Advisory Committee to work towards international consultation on youth sexual health matters.

Among the relevant areas of interest will be an outline and comparison of the current state of public policies regarding youth's sexual health; the important phenomena diminishing youth's health; their specific sexual health needs; the sustainability of sexual health programs for youth; the future challenges in relation to other global phenomena (such as security, economic crisis, ecology perspective and technological advances).

Important aspects of this youth initiative will be the use of modern media and the involvement of young people in sexuality related research and work. Hopefully this Youth Initiative will create in young students the awareness to consider sexology as a serious scientific career with professional opportunities.

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## 5. News from the regions

The five regional Federations are important pillars of the WAS community. The WAS Newsletter offers possibilities share information on the various activities in the regions. We welcome submissions.

### Africa

Uwem Esiet writes that there is probably no part of the world where the visible influence of culture on sexual health is so big and so diverse. It is therefore pertinent that the African Federation for Sexual Health & Rights (AFSHR) has chosen culture as the main theme for the 2012 African Conference on Sexual Health and Rights. The

meeting will most likely be held in Cairo, Egypt (February 9-12<sup>th</sup>). To be confirmed

AFSHR reports that it is a struggle to increase the membership from the many African countries. The diversity of language, political systems and cultures add to the challenges faced.

### Asia-Oceania.

The Asia-Oceania Federation of Sexology (AOFS) covers a vast and diverse region that includes the entire continent of Asia and Australia, New Zealand and the many islands of Micronesia. The variety of cultures and languages is astonishing. Ganesh Adaikan reports an impressive number of meetings, seminars and special courses held in 2010/2011 in just one part of the region, South-East Asia. He states that:

*Together with the prolongation of life expectancy, we in Asia are committed to fighting misconceptions and imparting the advances in sexual health concerns to as many in the remote communities as possible. Organizing regular meetings/forums/workshops is an ideal way to help extend the needed awareness in sexual concerns to the Asian fraternity and also to aid in identifying the missing links in knowledge and to spread interest in this sensitive yet complex human science.*

Reproduced below are just a few examples of the meetings held to meet these goals.

The Chinese Sexology Association held several courses and seminars in sexual medicine, education, and culture. On World Sexual Day information was publicized on sexual health issues. The Chinese Journal for Human Sexuality also noted the celebrations.

In India, 12 workshops were jointly organized by the Council of Sex Education and Parenthood International (CSEPI) and the Indian Andropause Society (IAS) between 1 April 2010 and 31 March 2011. The Indonesian Association for Sexology holds regular courses on sexual health matters four times per year at the Udayana University, Bali, Indonesia. In April a diverse workshop on sexual health issues was held during the Annual Meeting of the Indonesian Association for Andrology In this context, a seminar/public forum on sexual health was also held in Surabaya, Indonesia.

### Europe.

The European Federation of Sexology (EFS) has taken a very important step with the start of a Training and Educational Committee (TEC). The core task of the Committee is the training of sexual therapists and counsellors in Europe and streamlining the various professional curricula. A first symposium will take place the day before the World Congress opens in Glasgow. At present the EFS accommodates 41 member societies from 26 European countries. A lot of energy is spent on preparing Eastern European countries to adapt to the modern sexual health approach and take part in the various developments. The 2012 EFS congress will take place in Helsinki (June 10-14<sup>th</sup>, 2012)

### Latin America

The Federación Latinoamericana de Sociedades de Sexología y Educación Sexual (FLASSES) was the first Federation to be organized and celebrated its 30<sup>th</sup> birthday last year. It is a very strong group with intense mutual contacts and an excellent website with much information in Spanish and Portuguese [www.flasses.net](http://www.flasses.net)

The next Latin American congress, CLASES XVI, will take place October 10-13<sup>th</sup>, 2012 in Medellin, Colombia, with Elizabeth Gutierrez being the Congress President.

### North America

The North American Federation of Sexuality Organizations (NAFSO) is a relatively small Federation with few, but strong member organizations each with their own meetings. In the beginning of 2010,



2010 NAFSO meeting (Washington DC) with Mike McGee (l) (WAS), Ginger Bush and Bill Finger (r) (AASECT)

under the then President Joe DiNorcia, a brainstorming meeting was held to consider the future of NAFSO and its relationship with WAS.

Unfortunately, in September 2010 the President resigned and a replacement has yet to be elected. The remaining officers, Secretary Ginger Bush and Treasurer Pierre Assalian, have organized a meeting during the World Congress in Glasgow to review the situation.

### 6. The 2011 WAS Gold Medal winners.

The Gold Medal is the most prestigious honour awarded by the World Association for Sexual Health. It is given for lifelong achievement in the areas of sexual health, sexuality education, research, counselling, the promotion of sexual rights or any other area pertinent to human sexuality. At each World Congress up to five medals are awarded. The recipient is invited to give a presentation at the World Congress.

The 2011 WAS Gold medallists are (in alphabetical order):

- Ricardo Cavalcanti from Brazil
- Chizuko Ikegami from Japan
- Bill Stayton from the USA
- Alfons Vansteenwegen from Belgium
- Beverly Whipple from the USA

**Ricardo Cavalcanti**, MD, PhD is a physician, a sociologist and anthropologist. He played a significant role in the development of sexology in Brazil. As a Professor at the Universities of Brasilia and San Salvador de Bahia, respectively, he specialised in sexology and sexuality education. He was a key person in starting medical sexology in Brazil and was founder of SBRASH (Sociedade Brasileira de Estudos em Sexualidade Humana) and CESEX (the Brazilian Centre for Sexology)

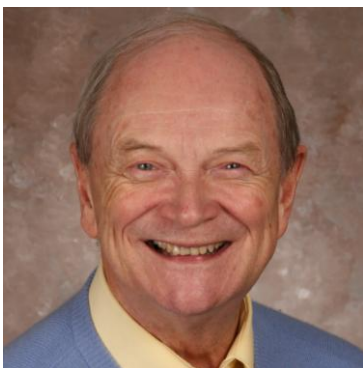


**Chizuko Ikegami** is dedicated to women's sexual health and sexuality education. She is both a feminist and an AIDS activist. She founded Place Tokyo, the biggest AIDS NGO in Japan and is its Executive Director. In 1994 in Yokohama, she played a vital role in organising the first successful AIDS Conference in Asia. She has translated many books on sexuality into Japanese and made a significant contribution to public awareness of sexual health. Chizuko has conducted much research on AIDS related subjects and is Vice-President of the Japanese AIDS Society.



**Bill Stayton** MDiv, ThD, PhD is a sexuality educator, sex therapist and psychologist. He is also a Baptist clergyman. This has made him an excellent facilitator for the dialogue between sexology & various religions. He was Professor and Assistant Director of the Centre of Excellence for Sexual Health at the Morehouse School of Medicine and at Widener University. He is a strong advocate for appropriate education in sexology and for sexual health education in medical schools. He is affiliated with one of the first American premier sexuality education programmes in the USA.

Bill is a former President of SIECUS and AASECT, two of the most important United States sexology associations.



**Alfons Vansteenwegen** PhD is a psychologist, former Professor and President of the Institute of Family & Sexuality Studies at the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium. He is the Head of research and postgraduate training in couple, family and sex therapy and the Head of the international Master Study in Family and Sexuality Studies. With his wife Maureen, he developed a framework of sexual and couple therapy approached from the perspectives of love & relationship. In workshops all over Europe they have trained numerous professionals. In his home country, Alfons has also given hundreds of lectures for the public.

He has published over 300 scientific papers, and authored many books on sexuality and relationships.



**Beverly Whipple** PhD is Professor Emerita at Rutgers University in New Jersey. She is well-known for her research on the G-spot, sexuality after spinal cord injury and the benefits of sexual expression to reduce pain. Beverly's has educated millions of people through her many books, articles and interviews. Travelling all over the world, she has also taught thousands of professionals. She has spent many years of dedicated service on the Board of Directors of various sexological societies. She was President of AASECT and SSSS and Vice-President of WAS. In her last term on the Advisory Committee she was Secretary General/Treasurer of WAS.



## 7 WAS to Brazil and to Rio de Janeiro

In 2013 the WAS community will move to Rio de Janeiro where the World Congress for Sexual Health will take place. On May 5<sup>th</sup> of this year Brazil made a very important move when the Federal Supreme Court legally recognized homosexual partnerships. A significant decision in the country with the world's largest population of Roman

(the professional congress organiser) are jointly building strong pillars for a sound congress. Rio de Janeiro is not just about Carnival, watching soccer, dancing the samba on the beach of Copacabana, or listening with a *caipirinha* in your hand to the voice of the girl from Ipanema. Rio will also offer you an exciting congress. So, be prepared to set off for a fascinating Brazilian experience in 2013.

Catholics. But there are of course many other reasons to look forward to the 2013 meeting. Supported by FLASSES, the Brazilian sexologists in the local organising committee and PCO Kenes



## 8 World Sexual Health Database

One spin-off of WSHD was the understanding that we need a database with scientific based information on sexual health in a global perspective. It is very important to properly file and compare the accumulated knowledge on the various relevant areas (sexual health, sexuality education and sexual rights). In particular, cross-national comparisons are very limited and it is not always easy to gain access to existing data. Such a database fits with WAS' Plan of Action to achieve recognition of sexology as a scientific field. Among the goals are: creating such a database, establish cross-national partnerships for collection and

organising the information, and ultimately maybe strive for the development of 'Sexual Health; State of the art' documents.

Pedro Nobre from Portugal is the pioneer of this process. In the development of the first phase of this project a research group (with a grant from the Portuguese Scientific Foundation, FCT) conducted a thorough search of available online scientific papers on a variety of sexual health topics. This phase, now completed, resulted in a list with > 8.800 full papers and >4.000 abstracts. A summary of this process will be presented at the WAS Congress in Glasgow.

## 9 Collections / Libraries

Dr Jules Black is an internationally noted sexologist, obstetrician and gynaecologist. He was a member of the WAS Advisory Committee for 12 years. During that time he served as an Associate Secretary for four years and, subsequently, as Secretary General/Treasurer for four years. During his professional life he amassed a large collection of sexology books, papers and congress proceedings. Last year he donated his collection to **Curtin University** in Perth, Western Australia.

The sexology collection comprises over 300 items, mainly books, journals and programmes, and proceedings of various international and Australian conferences. It includes most of the significant textbooks and works written by post World War II sexologists from around the world, plus a few



Prof Jill Downie (Pro-Vice Chancellor, Health Sciences), Dr Jules Black, Prof Rosemary Coates (President of WAS) and Prof Linda Kristjanson (Deputy Vice Chancellor)

earlier publications. Much of the collection has been made available electronically which will allow sexologists to access some of this interesting material. It will also be useful for WAS historians as many WAS Congress proceedings and other documents are included.

Sexuality is an all-encompassing subject and the collection themes cover the theory and science of sexology, sexual behaviours, clinical and therapeutic sexology and erotica.

As Curtin University is now the Australian leader in the education of sexologists from a variety of disciplines and different countries, the Jules Black Sexology Collection will continue to be consulted and enjoyed, ensuring a lasting legacy for Dr Black's work.

To access the collection and read more about Jules Black go to: [john.curtin.edu.au/julesblack](http://john.curtin.edu.au/julesblack)

Over the last three decades an increasing number of articles and programs and other information has been distributed in electronic form. Because that information can easily be recovered, it now has become less popular to keep printed journals and books. While many libraries are digitizing older publications there is still a vast amount of historical material that is only available in hard copy. It is important to be aware of the need to keep and conserve this material. The Jules Black Sexology Collection represents the historical development of modern, western sexology. Understanding the foundations upon which we base much of our practice provides both a rationale for our approach and a guide to change.

In various parts of the world there are a number of other notable collections.

**The Kinsey Institute** at Indiana University houses a library with extensive archival collections, including the papers of Dr. Alfred Kinsey, material from Magnus Hirschfeld, collections from Harry Benjamin, John Money, and many other well-known 'greats' of sexology.

In the Institute's Film Archive there are 8.000 film titles and a video collection with 4.000 titles. The art and artifact collection contains approximately 7,000 items, spanning over 2.000 years of history. The photography collection has 48.000 items.

The Kinsey Institute takes part in organising art exhibitions. This year in May-July for instance there is a mixed-media fine art exhibition. <http://www.kinseyinstitute.org/library/>



**Magnus Hirschfeld Archive for Sexology**, was established in the 1920's Magnus Hirschfeld in Berlin, however, the majority was destroyed by the Nazis. In 1994 Erwin Haeberle re-founded the Archive for Sexology, now housed in the library of the Humboldt University in Berlin. An important activity of the Archive for Sexology is the open access curriculum for Sexual Health, where many courses are freely available in various languages. Erwin Haeberle is the director <http://www2.hu-berlin.de/sexology>

**The University of Minneapolis** in Minnesota houses the Jean-Nickolaus Tretter Collection in Gay, Lesbian, Bisexual and Transgender Studies with over 30.000 items in a wide variety of media. The scope is international with material in 58 languages. Books are the core of the collection, but there are many other artefacts among which here is a 4.000 year old phallic statuette from Egypt. <http://special.lib.umn.edu/rare/tretter.phtml>

Oslo in Norway houses the Amoroeteket, the result of an intriguing development. Stine Kühle-Hansen, the manager, started as a librarian and museologist and became aware of the importance of the topic of sexuality in her area. So she entered

the Norwegian sexology course at Agder University in Kristiansand.

Apart from managing an extensive website for sexuality in the Nordic countries, Amoroteket also organises thematic exhibitions. In 2009 they created an exhibition on Dr Karl Evang an important Norwegian sexual health advocate from the 1930's.

<http://amoroteket.no/html/english.htm>

In Tongli, close to Shanghai, there is the **Chinese Sex Culture Museum** showing Prof. Liu Dalin's collection with 3.700 erotic artefacts from all periods of ancient and early modern Chinese history.

**Take home message:**

many sexologists are dedicated book collectors. When you grow old, think a moment before throwing away sexual health information and be aware that it could be useful material for the future.

## 10 Oncosexology

One of the privileges of the Newsletter's editor is that he can focus attention on his favorite areas. One of them is oncosexology. Here 3 aspects deserve to be mentioned.

- In the weekend immediately after the World Congress in Glasgow there will be a Cancer Survivorship and Sexual Health Symposium in Washington DC (USA). This will be the first meeting of several days where professionals of the oncology and sexual health disciplines will share experiences and co-develop oncosexology expertise.
- Recently, a 'Professional Discussion Forum for Sexual Rehabilitation after Cancer' was started in the UK. Although primarily UK based, it is also open to international applicants. **Attachment 2** shows a flyer with more details.
- Over the last years many leading professionals from the areas of sexual health and oncosexology have been working on a recently launched new book. **Cancer and Sexual Health** is edited by John Mulhall, Luca Incrocci, Irwin Goldstein and Ray Rosen. The book has 50 chapters, 783 pages, and ISBN nr 978-1-60761-915-4. Details can be found at: <http://www.springer.com/medicine/urology/book/978-1-60761-915-4> where table of contents, preface and some sample pages can be downloaded.

## 11 Australasian Medical Journal

Gradually the medical community is becoming more aware of the importance of sexual health to overall well-being. A good way to introduce the sexual health range of thoughts and expertise among medical professionals is devoting a special issue of a medical journal to sexual health. The Australasian Medical Journal is offering its November 2011 issue for our profession. The Guest Editor for this edition is the WAS President, Dr Rosemary Coates. If you are working in any area of sexuality and physical health or mental health, you are invited to submit a paper. For more information see **attachment 3**.

## 12 For your agenda

Upcoming sexual health related meetings and activities.

### 20<sup>st</sup> WAS World Congress for Sexual Health

June 12 – 16, 2011

Glasgow, UK.

[www.worldsexology.com](http://www.worldsexology.com)

### International Men's Health Week 2011

June 13-19<sup>th</sup>

### Cancer Survivorship and Sexual Health Symposium

June 17 – 19, 2011

Washington D.C., USA.

[www.cancersurvivorsandsex.org](http://www.cancersurvivorsandsex.org)

Organized by ISSM and SMSNA (Sex Med Soc North America).

### 37<sup>th</sup> IASR Annual Meeting

International Acad of Sex Research

August 10 - 13, 2011

Los Angeles, California

[www.iasr.org](http://www.iasr.org)

### World Sexual Health day

September 4<sup>th</sup>

This is our own WAS activity

### 22<sup>nd</sup> WPATH Biennial Symposium

Theme: 'Transgender Beyond Disorder: Identity, Community, & Health'

September 24 - 28, 2011

Atlanta, Georgia (USA)

[www.wpath.org](http://www.wpath.org)

**SVRI Forum 2011**

Theme: Moving the agenda forward  
October 10-13, 2011  
Sexual Violence Research Initiative  
Vineyard Hotel & Spa  
Cape Town, South Africa  
[www.svri.org/forum2011](http://www.svri.org/forum2011)

**ISSWSH 2011 Annual Fall Course**

October 14 – 16, 2011  
Scottsdale, Arizona (USA)  
[www.isswsh.org](http://www.isswsh.org)

**Annual Meeting International Academy of Medical Sexology**

President: Sydney Glina  
**2<sup>nd</sup> World Congress of WAMS (World Association of Medical Sexology)**  
President: Elena Sepulveda  
October 24-28, 2011,  
Viña del Mar, Chile

**14<sup>th</sup> Annual ESSM Congress**

December 1-4, 2011  
Milan Italy  
[www.essm-congress.org](http://www.essm-congress.org)

**5<sup>th</sup> African Conference on Sexual Health & Rights**

Theme: Sexual Health and Culture in Africa.  
February 9-12, 2012  
Cairo, Egypt (to be confirmed)

**11<sup>th</sup> ISSWSH Annual meeting**

February 19-22, 2012  
'Next year in Jerusalem'  
Crowne Plaza, Jerusalem, Israel  
[www.isswsh.org](http://www.isswsh.org)

**11<sup>th</sup> EFS Congress**

June 10-14<sup>th</sup> 2012  
Helsinki  
[www.europeansexology.com](http://www.europeansexology.com)

**15<sup>th</sup> ISSM World Meeting on Sexual Medicine**

August 26 - 30, 2012  
Chicago, USA  
[www.issmsmsna2012.info](http://www.issmsmsna2012.info)

**16<sup>th</sup> Clases (Congress of the Latinoamerican Federation)**

October 10-13, 2012  
Medellin, Colombia

**21<sup>st</sup> WAS World Congress for Sexual Health 2013**

Rio de Janeiro, Brasil  
[www.worldsexology.org](http://www.worldsexology.org)



**ATTACHMENT 1**

**World Sexual Health Day 2010 in Brazil**



WSHD 2010, the Sao Paulo crew



WSHD in Porto Alegre with (r) Jaqueline Brendler (WAS)



WSHD 2010, the Rio de Janeiro crew with French visiting professor Alain Giami (WAS)



WSHD 2010, Sao Paulo. With the help of music thousands of people hear about sexual health

ATTACHMENT 2

## Professional Discussion Forum: Sexual Rehabilitation after Cancer

Sexual difficulties are amongst the most common and longest lasting side effects of cancer and cancer treatments. Unfortunately, specialist service provision in this area remains patchy and largely uni-disciplinary and individual HCPs can feel isolated and unsupported when trying to address this sensitive topic. To help to address this need, a **new professional discussion forum** focused on supporting staff to raise the topic of sexual difficulties with their patients has been created.

**The group's aims are:**

- To connect and support professionals working with cancer patients who have sexual problems
- To provide a safe and easily accessible place where cases can be discussed and advice or suggestions sought
- To enable access to the opinions of a multidisciplinary group of colleagues interested in the field
- To share information about upcoming events, literature searches, relevant documents and resources, other networks, etc


It is hoped that this will be a great source of support for many nurses and other professionals on the ground to bring cases/ask questions and get support as well as an opportunity for more experienced specialist staff to network and develop themselves.

To access the network, you will first need to register on the NHS Networks website, please log onto [www.networks.nhs.uk/](http://www.networks.nhs.uk/)

- 1) To create an account with Networks – click on “join” at the top of the page
- 2) From there you only need to enter your name and email address
- 3) A email will be sent to you from Networks with your password reset
- 4) Once you have set your password, your account is ready and you will be able to join any of the NHS Networks available
- 5) To join this network, use the network finder from the home page or go directly to <http://www.networks.nhs.uk/nhs-networks/sexual-rehabilitation-after-cancer/>
- 6) Once on the “Sexual Rehabilitation After Cancer” webpage, select ‘join network’
- 7) An email will be sent to the network administrator to approve the application. Once the application has been approved, you will be able to use the network.


Please contact [websupport@networks.nhs.uk](mailto:websupport@networks.nhs.uk) if you have not received your password within 24 hours and send a copy to [darja.brandenburg@nhs.net](mailto:darja.brandenburg@nhs.net)

**ATTACHMENT 3**



**AUSTRALASIAN MEDICAL JOURNAL**

**Call for papers**



**A Special Issue Featuring Sexual Health (Nov 2011)**

**Editor:**  
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Curtin University of Technology,  
Perth Western Australia

**Guest Editor:**  
Rosemary Coates

This special issue of the Australasian Medical Journal offers a platform for researchers, health care practitioners, and innovators to discuss ethical principles as they impact on healthcare. You are invited to submit any papers on sexual health including the following topics:

- Chronic disease and sexual health
- Sexual health and physical disabilities
- Sexual health and intellectual disabilities
- Sexual health sequelae of trauma and torture
- Sexuality, oncology and the dying
- Ethical issues and FGM; requests for genital modifications
- Case studies

The AMJ is a fully peer reviewed journal, and features papers from a broad base of medical and paramedical researchers / experts. The scope includes research and audit through to discussion and opinion. We are especially keen to receive papers from new and emerging experts including students. Above all the AMJ adheres to the highest standards with particular emphasis on the novelty of ideas but also methodological and ethical rigor. For more information of AMJ, please visit: <http://www.amj.net.au/index.php?journal=AMJ>. Please include the term (SE SH) in the title of your paper.

**Important Dates**  
Full paper submission by: 15 Oct 2011  
Publication: 30 Nov 2011  
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