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## $REBEn \quad \hbox{Forum of scientific editors of nursing journals}$

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From about ten years ago, routinelly during the Brazilian Nursing Congresses, under the coordination of the Publishing and Social Communication Department of ABEn (Brazilian Nursing Association), the scientific editors of nursing journals joined and discussed the improvement of the journals they represent. Those meetings brought the need of formalizing the National Forum of Editors of Nursing Journals during the 13th SENPE (National Nursing Research Semminar), in 2005. During the Brazilian Nursing Congress, in Goiânia, the first meeting of the group occurred, and the last Editorial of REBEn in 2006 mentioned it.

After two years, when those meetings had occurred in São Luiz, Goiânia, Salvador and Florianópolis, it is possible to realize the relevance of the Forum to join and discuss commom difficulties.

In São Paulo, the group of editors from São Paulo State also joined with Post-Graduate programs representatives aiming to seek new ways for the promotion of more visibility to Brazilian Nursing publications, specially improving their indexation.

The strong support of Nursing representatives joined to CAPES and CNPg (National Center for Research) as well the World Health Organization Collaborative Center Coordination for the development of Nursing Research of the Nursing School of Ribeirão Preto, applied their efforts to the amplification of more three journals indexed in SciELO, also complements the effort ever unleashed by ABEn since 1932, when REBEn was created.

The reunion occurred during the 14th SENPE, in May, 2007 with 36 participants from which 19 were editors or editorial board members of 15 nursing journals, is highlighting that there is still more to be done for the improvement of Nursing journals in Brazil. In that opportunity the fragilities and potentialities of each journal were discussed as well the related significant projections.

However, this reunion allowed to list new discussion to be done in the future like the issue of signatures charge for all the authors and the lack of fundings, the need for qualification of both editors and reviewers and the transformation of the journals from general into specialized.

The ABEn keeps its comitment of congregating this significative representation to mantain the congruent effort for the improvement of scientific journals, amplifying the visibility of Brazilan Nursing.