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The challenge is won: Virtual Library in Health - Nursing is available

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In a third millenium globalized world information is strongly important for people and institutions. Speed and agility make the difference in any area of human knowledge. Nursing, as a caring science that drives its actions and decision-making involving people, requires efficiency and efficacy in the use of information, making it quickly available and, more than this, incorporating it in its work process in an agile and competent manner.

Health area is daily facing new conquests, new discoveries, that when incorporated to daily life of health services bring benefits to the people. Preventing diseases, promoting the cure, recovering health and well-fare, among other, became more possible due to the accurate information researches provide all over the world.

Nurse as a healthcare professional is committed to health and weel-fare of his/her clients, needs to be in touch with current, trustworthy information that may be considered as a referral for planning nursing actions. By having an referral where needed information may be found quickly improve the specific role of the nurse related to research, teaching, managing and caring.

Since 2003 a work group composed by ABEn's and also from several national Nursing Schools representatives, under the leading of Professor Francisco Lana, from Federal University of Minas Gerais, in continuity to previous initiatives (BDEnf and SuREnf), are dedicated to build the **Virtual Library in Health-Nursing (BVS-Enfermagem)**. This project is composed by 14 sub-projects (according previous publication – Editorial 58(4)), during the Brazilian Nursing Congress, 2005 held in Goiânia, and was delivered to BIREME's head, assuring its realization. By that time, an important step was proceeded in favor of information for Brazilian Nursing.

A hard year of work was followed in such a way that sub-projects linked to BVS-Enfermagem were substantially growing, although huge financial constraints and operational difficulties. But the persintence of all the institution's teams involved will culminate in an official presentation of BVS-Enfermagem to community during the next Brazilian Nursing Congress in November, in Salvador, BA. BVS-Enfermagem is still available at <u>www.bvs.br</u> (by clicking on "Brasil" and "Enfermagem"). BVS-Enfermagem offers quickly access to database, full-text of main national nursing journals, information of courses, events and interesting links for the area. Still under construction, it already is an important tool for nursing information dissemination.

Visit, communicate, sanction, and use it in your practice the information through BVS-Enfermagem, and promote changes in the "care science" by disseminating the knowledge in Nursing.