

## **ENB Awarded General Nursing Council Trust Grant to Commission NURLIS II Project**

The English National Board has been awarded a substantial sum by the General Nursing Council Trust for a project to draw up guidelines for management action plans on the provision of library and information services for nurses, health visitors and midwives in training.

The project, Nursing Professionals' Library and Information Services - NURLIS II aims to increase the effectiveness of provision by developing awareness and further understanding of the policies and practise necessary to qualify services. There will be extensive consultation with senior policy makers, educators and information management professionals - through interviews and regional meetings with focus group.

This project is to be conducted by Capital Planning Information Limited, library and information management consultants, who in 1992 carried out a national survey of Library and Information service provision to colleges of nursing for the British Library, known as NURLIS I.

This survey showed a disparity of provision in many respects, particularly the level of strategic planning, the role of learning resources services in the planning and delivery of the curriculum, the organisational structures and the funding levels. These findings are reported and discussed in a report available from the consultants. (Detail overleaf). The report indicates a need to set guidelines for the management of learning resource provision specifically for use by colleges of nursing and their regulatory bodies. The NURLIS II project is the result of this recommendation.

Thelma Sellek, Director of Adult & Children's Nursing Education, speaking on behalf of the Board commented "This important initiative reflects the Board's belief that an effective library resource is fundamental to quality nursing, midwifery and health visiting programmes.

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