

"The Provision of Library and Information Services to Nursing Professionals : Management Guidelines" **(NURLIS II) An ENB Statement**

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The project, *'The Provision of Library and Information Services to Nursing Professionals : Management Guidelines' (NURLIS II)* is an excellent example of multi-discipline collaborative working. It was commissioned by the board, funded by the General Nursing Council Trust and undertaken by Capital Planning Information. The *Guidelines* are the result of extensive consultation through a combination of personal interviews and a series of regional focus groups. Contributors included educators, college managers and library information professionals from a wide cross-section of institutions in the health sector, the education sector and the library profession.

The *Management Guidelines* aim to increase the effectiveness of library provision and information services by developing awareness and further understanding of the policies and practice necessary to quality services. NURLIS II, which builds on the findings of NURLIS I, is part of a Board series relating to guidelines for education audit.

The Board believes that NURLIS II will enable educational institutions to review their current arrangements for the provision of effective library and information services. In addition, these guidelines should help to identify the financial costs of supporting/developing educational resources and therefore contribute to the information needed for the contracting process.

The *Guidelines* address important issues such as:

Strategies and Structures

"to enable educationalists and learning resources and library and information services managers to achieve agreement on effective learning resources provision"

- strategic plans, mission statements and service objectives
- service level agreements and contracting
- "nurses' passport to learning resources"
- organisational and communication structures
- budgeting data and formulae
- staff status and grading
- professional and IT networking
- performance indicators, monitoring and accreditation

Relationships

- between the curriculum of nurse education and the learning resources services which support and interact with educational objectives
- between the Health Service culture and the higher education culture
- between learning resources providers and the accrediting and validating bodies
- between learning resources providers and the whole cross section of Health Service user groups
- existing standards and guidelines (COFHE; COPMED; Kings Fund Centre; Scottish Library and Information Council, etc.) in relation to the nurse education environment
- between nurse education and higher education bodies for assessment and accreditation

A copy of the 'Provisions of Library Information Services to Nursing Professionals : Management Guidelines' is available from:

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