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Cry for help. © Knud Nielson



challenging barriers to health

Background

The network was conceived following training sessions held by Medact during the period 1999 -2001. In each case the evaluations recorded that some of the most important aspects of the day had been the ability to meet and share information with fellow health workers from across the UK. The network enabled them to continue this process and allowed many other health workers to join.

Who we are

The network currently has 245 members most of whom are health workers working with asylum seekers and refugees. Other members include academics and students. The network is open to anyone who works with refugees and asylum seekers and has an interest in health issues.

What we do

The network aims to help its members share information, resources and support. Many members have years of experience and are happy to share this with others who are new to this field.

How to join

The network operates using a yahoo email group. Details of how this works and an explanation of how to join can be found overleaf. Please do contact us if you have any problems either joining or receiving messages

The network aims to

- ensure members are made aware of changes to regulations, legislation and kept up to date with relevant news
- provide access to information and advice from some of the most experienced practitioner's in the country.
- share resources
- discuss issues around current practice
- make available news of conferences, seminars and other training opportunities.
- Create an evidence-base of information for advocacy purposes

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How to

Subscribe

send an email to refugeenetwork-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Unsubscribe

send a blank email to: refugeenetwork-unsubscribe@yahoogroups.com

To send a message/ reply to a contribution to a group

Compose your message on a blank email. Write an appropriate title in the subject space. In the area marked To, write in refugeenetwork@yahoogroups.com

To contact the list manager OR if you have problems subscribing

Send an email to refugeenetwork-owner@yahoogroups.com OR moyrarushby@medact.org

Please note

- Messages sent to the list will be distributed to **all** members.
- Messages must be approved by moderator simply to ensure that private, commercial and abusive messages are not posted. There is **no** censorship of relevant messages
- If you want to reply to a single member send your response to their personal email address.
- Attachments should be used only if absolutely necessary as they increase the risk of viruses being transmitted via the network, a link to the document on a website is faster and safer.
- The list is private and we take care to ensure only people involved in health care join, however confidentiality is not assured. Please be aware of this and do not post confidential information such as telephone numbers or clients names.
- Messages should **never** be re-posted outside the network without the consent of the originator of the message
- The list is to share information between members and **not publicity for commercial groups or for individuals to ask for health information.**
- Above all it is important to remember that it's much easier to offend people online so take care in how responses are formed.
- If the number of messages proves too much you can request a daily digest. If you are away for any period of time please email moyrarushby@medact.org and stop messages until after your return.