

# ICN Disaster Competencies

It has been five years since the inception of the ICN Disaster Competencies (version 1.10, dated 2009) for Specialist Nurses. The World Association for Disaster and Emergency Medicine, Nursing Section in conjunction with the International Council of Nurses is investigating how these competencies are used around the world. You may respond on behalf of an organisation or as an individual.

This survey should take no longer than 15 minutes to complete and we thank you in advance for your time.

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## 1. Are you aware of the ICN Disaster Competencies?

<http://www.icn.ch/images/stories/documents/networks/DisasterPreparednessNetwork/Dis>

- Yes
- No

## 2. How have you accessed the ICN Competencies?

- World wide web
- Paper copy
- Other

Other (please specify)

## \*3. Are you responding on behalf of an association, individual, or a practice organization?

- Association
- Individual
- Practice organization

## Answering as an association

If you are answering as part of a disaster or nursing organisation please answer this section of questions

### 4. How many members does your disaster association have?

- 1 - 40
- 50 - 100
- 100 - 250
- 250 - 500
- 500 - 1000
- 1000 +

### 5. What proportion of your association's activities are focused on disaster preparedness and response?

- 25%
- 50%
- 75%
- 100%

### 6. Does your association send disaster teams out into the field?

- Yes
- No

Other (please specify)

### 7. How many disasters per year do you respond to?

- 1-2
- 2-3
- 3-4
- 4-6
- 6-8
- 8-10
- 10+

**8. What types of disasters does your association respond to?**

- Earthquake
- Tsunami
- Bush fire
- Floods
- Hurricanes
- Tornadoes
- Landslide
- Other

Other (please specify)

**9. Does your association conduct disaster education locally, nationally or internationally?**

- Locally
- Nationally
- Internationally

**10. Does your association make use of the ICN Disaster Nursing Competencies?**

- Yes
- No

**11. If so, which ones?**

**12. How do your members use the ICN Competencies?**

- Education
- Training
- To maintain best practice
- To work within a scope of practice
- Other

**13. How has the use of the ICN Disasters Competencies changed or affected your Association's Disaster Nursing Practice?**

**14. What is missing from the ICN competencies?**

**15. Do you believe the ICN competencies are appropriate for all nurses?**

- Beginning practice nurses (0-3 years experience)
- Experienced nurses (3+ years)
- Advanced practice nurses (Higher Degrees)

**16. Does your association make use of other disaster competencies?**

- Yes
- No

**17. If so which ones?**

**18. What are these competencies used for?**

- Education
- Training
- To maintain best practice
- To work within a scope of practice
- Other

Other (please specify)

Thank you for taking the time to answer this survey

## Answering as an Individual

Answer this section of the survey if you are responding as an individual

### 19. What is your usual occupation?

- Academic
- Educator
- Clinician (Nurse) – public health
- Clinician (Nurse) – acute
- Clinician (Nurse) – emergency
- Government/Bureaucrat

Other (please specify)

### 20. Do you use the ICN competencies in your practice?

- Yes
- No

### 21. How do you use the ICN Disaster Competencies?

### 22. Are you assessed or evaluated to see if you are meeting the ICN competencies?

- Yes
- No

Other (please specify)

### 23. What is missing from the ICN competencies?

### 24. Do you believe the ICN competencies are appropriate for all nurses?

- Beginning practice nurses (0-3 years experience)
- Experienced practice nurses (3 + years experience)
- Advanced practice nurses (Higher degree)

Other (please specify)

**25. Do you make use of other disaster competencies?**

- Yes
- No

**26. If you said yes to the question above, which ones?**

**27. What are these competencies used for?**

- Education
- Training
- To maintain best practice
- To work within a scope of practice
- Other

Thank you for taking the time to answer this survey

## Answering as a practice organization

Answer questions in this section if you are answering as a practice organization, such as a hospital, clinic or non-government organisation that responds to disasters.

### 28. What type of organization are you responding for:

- Hospital
- Clinic or office practice
- Home health agency
- Public health agency
- Other

### 29. How many members does your disaster organization have?

- 1 - 40
- 50 - 100
- 100 - 250
- 250 - 500
- 500 - 1000
- 1000 +

### 30. What proportion of your organizations's activities are focused on disaster preparedness and response?

- 25%
- 50%
- 75%
- 100%

### 31. Does your organization send disaster teams out into the field?

- Yes
- No

Other (please specify)



**32. How many disasters per year do you respond to?**

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- 2-3
- 3-4
- 4-6
- 6-8
- 8-10
- 10+

**33. What types of disasters does your organization respond to?**

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- Tsunami
- Bush fire
- Floods
- Hurricanes
- Tornadoes
- Landslide
- Other

Other (please specify)

**34. Does your organization conduct disaster education locally, nationally or internationally?**

- Locally
- Nationally
- Internationally

Other (please specify)

**35. Does your association make use of the ICN Disaster Nursing Competencies?**

- Yes
- No

**36. If so, which ones?**

**37. How do your members use the ICN Competencies?**

- Education
- Training
- To maintain best practice
- To work within a scope of practice
- Other

**38. How has the use of the ICN Disasters Competencies changed or affected your organization's Disaster Nursing Practice?**

**39. What is missing from the ICN competencies?**

**40. Do you believe the ICN competencies are appropriate for all nurses?**

- Beginning practice nurses (0-3 years experience)
- Experienced nurses (3+ years)
- Advanced practice nurses (Higher Degrees)

**41. Does your organization make use of other disaster competencies?**

- Yes
- No

**42. If so which ones?**

**43. What are these competencies used for?**

- Education
- Training
- To maintain best practice
- To work within a scope of practice
- Other

Other (please specify)

Thank you for taking the time to answer this survey