The Global Network of WHO Collaborating Centres (GWCC) for Nursing and Midwifery is a network comprising of WHO Collaborating Centres from the six regions of WHO, who focus on nursing and midwifery. It exists to strengthen and promote nursing and midwifery leadership, education, practice and research towards the realization of the social goal of “Health for All” through primary health care. There are 42 Collaborating Centres for Nursing and Midwifery around the world, and as of July 2016, the WHO CC in the University of Technology Sydney has been named the official Secretariat until 2018. The GWCC COE aims to focus its work around the following in 2016-2018:

1. Universal Health Coverage
2. Sustainable Development Goals
3. Assessing and defining the necessary contributions from a modern, fit-for-purpose nursing and midwifery workforce

The following actions were discussed at the General Meeting held in Glasgow 2016 for Global Network WHO CC 2016-2018:

- Mapping, “big data”, systematic review, social media analysis.
- Collaboration in-country/across country in line with WHO strategies eg. Workforce2030.
- Baseline data for WHO SODM 2016-2020 in line with WHO CCs work.
- Space for storing and sharing WHO CC data - eg. Virginia Henderson e-repository & GAMMA

WHO Collaborating Centres of the Global Network*

AFRO
- University of KwaZulu-Natal, South Africa — WHO CC for Nursing and Midwifery Leadership
- University of Zimbabwe, Zimbabwe — WHO CC for Interprofessional Nursing, Midwifery, and Allied Health Professionals Training in Health Promotion Nursing
- University of the Witwatersrand, South Africa — WHO CC for Interprofessional Nursing in Private Practice
- Faculty of Health, UTS (University of Technology Sydney, Australia)

ARAB
- University of Jordan, Jordan — WHO CC for Nursing and Midwifery Leadership
- University of Montreal, Canada — WHO CC for Family Health and Health Human Resources Development
- University of Minas Gerais, Brazil — WHO CC for International Nursing Development
- Columbia University, USA — WHO CC for Advanced Practice Nursing
- Caritas Marianpix Nursing University, Uganda — WHO CC for Research and Clinical Training in African Community Health
- University of Nairobi, Kenya — WHO CC for Development of Midwifery Services and Education
- University of the Philippines, Manila — WHO CC for Research Nursing Development
- University of the Makati, Inc., Manila — WHO CC for nursing and Midwifery Development in the Philippines
- Pontifical Unanimad University, Chile — WHO CC for Health Services and Nursing Development for Non-communicable Disease Care
- New York University College of Nursing, USA — WHO CC for Genomic Nursing Education
- University of California, San Francisco — WHO CC for International Nursing Development in Primary Healthcare
- University of South Florida, USA — WHO CC for Development of Immigrant Nursing Workforce in the U.S. as a Nursing Service Enabler
- University of Alberta, Canada — WHO CC for Nursing and Midwifery
- University of California, San Francisco — WHO CC for Research and Clinical Training in Nursing
- Faculdade de Enfermagem da Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Brazil — WHO CC for Development of Professional Nursing

ENRO
- Jordan University of Science and Technology, Jordan — WHO CC for Research and Clinical Training in Nursing for South Asia and Middle East Region
- University of Technology Sydney, Australia — WHO CC for Education and Training in Nursing and Midwifery
- College of Health Sciences, Ministry of Health, Sudan — WHO CC for Development for Nursing and Midwifery

EURO
- Glasgow Caledonian University, Scotland — WHO CC for Health Care and Community Health in Scotland
- WHO CC for Nursing and Midwifery Education, Research and Practice
- Nursing Research Foundation, Canada — WHO CC for Primary Health Care in Europe (including on priority)
- School of Nursing, University of Porto, Portugal — WHO CC for Nursing, Midwifery and Research
- Lithuanian University of Health Sciences, Lithuania — WHO CC for Nursing Education and Practice
- Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium — WHO CC for Human Resources for Health Research and Policy

SEARO
- Faculty of Nursing — Mahidol University, Thailand — WHO CC for Nursing and Midwifery Development
- St. Luke’s College of Nursing, Japan — WHO CC for Research and Clinical Training in Nursing Education and Practice
- Indian Nursing Council — WHO CC for Nursing Education
- Post Graduate Institute of Medical Education and Research (PGIMER), India — WHO CC for Nursing and Midwifery Development
- University of Nursing, Bengkulu, Indonesia — WHO CC for Nursing Policy Making and Quality Management
- Faculty of Nursing—Mahidol University, Thailand — WHO CC for Nursing and Midwifery Education, Research and Practice
- St. Luke’s College of Nursing, Japan — WHO CC for Research and Clinical Training in Nursing Education and Practice
- School of Nursing — Mahidol University, Thailand — WHO CC for Nursing Education and Practice
- Christian Medical College and Hospital, India — WHO CC for Nursing and Midwifery Development
- Government Medical College and Hospital, India — WHO CC for Nursing and Midwifery Development
- Manipal Institute of Medical Sciences, India — WHO CC for Nursing Policy Making and Quality Management
- Katholieke Universiteit Leuven, Belgium — WHO CC for Human Resources for Health Research and Policy

WHO
- St. Luke’s College of Nursing, Japan — WHO CC for Nursing Education and Training in Primary Healthcare
- University of Tokyo, Japan — WHO CC for Nursing in Disaster and Health Emergencies
- The Hong Kong Polytechnic University (HPU) — WHO CC for Research, Policy and Social Sciences
- Hong Kong, China — WHO CC for Community Health Services
- University of the Philippines, Manila — WHO CC for Leadership in Nursing Development
- Paul Kaye Medical College—School of Nursing, China — WHO CC for Nursing Policy Making and Quality Management
- Foro Universitario de Enfermería, Cuba — WHO CC for Nursing Policy Making and Quality Management
- University of the Philippines, Manila — WHO CC for Leadership in Nursing Development
- University of Science and Technology of Southern China, Guangzhou — WHO CC for Nursing Policy Making and Quality Management
- Faculdade de Enfermagem da Universidade Federal de Minas Gerais, Brazil — WHO CC for Nursing Policy Making and Quality Management
- Catholic University of Korea College of Nursing, Research Institute for Hospice and Palliative Care

Nursing and Midwifery WHO Collaborating Centres

Areas of Expertise (Number of Centres)

Nursing (22)
- Nursing and Midwifery (21)
- Capacity Building (21)
- Human Resources for Health/Workforce (19)
- Faculty Development (16)
- Evidence-based practice (14)
- Vulnerable populations (11)
- Maternal and Child Health (9)
- Primary Health Care (9)
- Regulation (9)
- Public Health (5)
- Policy Development (4)
- Mental health (4)
- Health Promotion (4)
- Leadership (4)
- Emergency and disasters (3)
- HIV (3)
- Non-communicable diseases (3)
- Universal Health Coverage (3)
- Ageing (2)
- Strategic Direction for Nursing and Midwifery (2)
- Continuing Professional Development (2)
- Multidisciplinary (2)
- Prevention (2)
- Patient Safety (1)
- Chronic Conditions (1)
- Occupational Health (1)
- Malaria (1)