

# Nursing Education



## **NURSING EDUCATION**

*Working with little technology and, at times, without necessary supplies challenges my expertise, encourages my ingenuity, and brings me back to the all-important basics of neonatal care. Working in the consistently busy and understaffed Special Care Baby Unit is a very humbling experience. Working side-by-side with my Ugandan colleagues who share my love and dedication to the care of sick and premature newborns and their families makes returning to Uganda year after year a privilege.”*

-HVO Nursing Education Volunteer to Uganda

### **READY TO VOLUNTEER?**

*There are multiple steps to the placement process and often more than one approval is required. The process varies slightly from country-to-country and project-to-project. We strive to make this process as quick as possible but potential volunteers should be aware that final approval can take several months.*

- To begin the placement process, [complete the volunteer application and submit your CV.](#)

### **A NOTE ABOUT HVO'S NURSING EDUCATION PROGRAM**

Nursing education is central to HVO's work to improve global nursing availability and quality. Therefore, at HVO, we are seeking experienced nurse educators and nurse practitioners (with master's or doctoral level credentials) for formal nursing education positions. BS-prepared nurses with several years of relevant clinical experience who are comfortable with formal teaching are most welcome as clinical mentors and teachers. Areas of

experience include, but are not limited to, care of people with diabetes, stroke, end-stage renal nursing with dialysis, mental health and psychiatric nursing, burn care, newborn care, care for children on ventilators, general pediatrics, ICU nursing, medical/surgical nursing, and women's health. For more nursing volunteer opportunities, please review our [Wound & Lymphedema](#), [Hematology](#), and [Oncology](#) projects.

HVO offers funding opportunities for nursing education volunteers through the [Plotnick Nursing Education Volunteer Fund](#). You can also check out [One Nurse at a Time](#), or find out how you can [start a fundraiser](#) for your trip.

## ACTIVE PROJECTS

### **Phnom Penh, Cambodia – Sihanouk Hospital Center of Hope (SHCH)**

Volunteers provide lectures and clinical instruction to Cambodian nurses at SHCH. Volunteers also lead journal club discussions.



**Assignment:** 2 weeks

**Teaching Topics:** Nursing education – all topics

**Opportunities for Those-in-Training:** No

**Qualifications:** Master's degree in nursing or certified adult or family nurse practitioner; current license to practice; two years of teaching experience

**Activities:** Clinical training, continuing education, didactic instruction, faculty/staff training, formal lecturing, mentoring

**Housing:** Volunteer responsible for housing; information on nearby facilities provided.

**Companions:** Suitable for companion/spouse; suitable for children

### **Siem Reap, Cambodia – Angkor Hospital for Children**

Volunteers work to improve the quality of nursing care by educating clinician-educators. Volunteers provide instruction to senior-level nurses to allow them to become expert teachers of the remainder of the nursing staff.



**Assignment:** 2-4 weeks

**Teaching Topics:** Nursing education – all topics; teaching methods, surgical nursing, curriculum, normal newborn care and assessment skills of particular interest

**Opportunities for Those-in-Training:** No

**Qualifications:** Master's degree in nursing; registered nurse; two years of teaching experience in pediatric nursing

**Activities:** Clinical training, continuing education, didactic instruction, faculty/staff training, formal lecturing, mentoring

**Housing:** Volunteer responsible for housing; information on nearby facilities provided.

**Companions:** Suitable for companion/spouse; suitable for children

### **Luang Prabang, Laos – Lao Friends Hospital for Children (LFHC)**

Volunteers will work with the LFHC staff to improve the quality and availability of neonatal nursing care. Volunteers will work with the LFHC Nurse Educator to help establish a sustainable nursing education program, as well as provide hands-on training to staff nurses.



**Assignment:** 1 month minimum; 3-5 month assignments encouraged ([funding support available for longer assignments](#))

**Teaching Topics:** Nursing education – pediatrics, neonatal nursing

**Opportunities for Those-in-Training:** No

**Qualifications:** Current license required; master's degree or higher preferred; at least 2 years of neonatal and/or pediatrics teaching experience preferred; previous international experience preferred

**Activities:** Clinical training, continuing education, didactic instruction, faculty/staff training, formal lecturing, mentoring

**Housing:** Volunteer responsible for housing; information on nearby facilities provided.

**Companions:** Suitable for companion/spouse; suitable for children

### **Mwanza, Tanzania – Bugando Medical Centre**

Volunteers will improve clinical knowledge of the nurses in ICU and/or perioperative nursing. The focus of the project is on ICU nursing and ICU medical-surgical nursing. The ICU is envisioned to become a demonstration unit of a more professional level of care.



**Assignment:** 3 week minimum

**Teaching Topics:** Nursing education – intensive care, perioperative, acute Care and medical/surgical nursing

**Opportunities for Those-in-Training:** No

**Qualifications:** Master's degree or PhD preferred but BSN with 3 years of experience considered; ICU or medical/surgical nurses with 3+ years of experience in acute care; education experience preferred

**Activities:** Clinical training, continuing education, didactic instruction, faculty/staff training, formal lecturing, mentoring

**Housing:** Housing available for a reasonable fee.

**Companions:** Suitable for companion/spouse; not suitable for children

### **Kampala, Uganda – Mulago Hospital and Makerere University**

Volunteers focus on improving the quality of nursing care in specialty areas by working collaboratively with clinician-educators, faculty, and nursing students to advance nursing education at Makerere University and Mulago Hospital. Volunteers are also needed to establish a model program for clinically based pediatric nurse specialists and develop teaching modules for pediatric nursing. In-service education is also provided in special topic areas.



**Assignment:** 3-4 weeks

**Teaching Topics:** Nursing education – all topics; psychiatric nursing, diabetes care, and oncology of particular interest

**Opportunities for Those-in-Training:** No

**Qualifications:** Range from strong clinical background in priority areas and/or mid-level management skills to those with Master's degree and/or equivalent clinical experience; Nurse Educators sought

**Activities:** Clinical training, continuing education, curriculum development, departmental conferences, didactic instruction, education material development, faculty/staff training, formal lecturing, mentoring

**Housing:** Housing available for a reasonable fee.

**Companions:** Suitable for companion/spouse; suitable for children

**Hai Duong, Vietnam- Hai Duong Medical and Technical University (HMTU)**

Partnering with HMTU, HVO volunteers will continue to support teaching/learning and research skills of nursing faculty. Volunteers will facilitate: simulation/skills lab development; student self-study guides; teaching plans; evaluation/measurement of student learning; faculty programs of research.



**Assignment:** Minimum 2 weeks

**Teaching Topics:** Nursing education – all topics

**Opportunities for Those-in-Training:** No

**Qualifications:** Current RN license, and teaching experience in a BSN program, required; master's degree or higher; bachelor's prepared nurses with simulation/skills lab experience accepted

**Activities:** Clinical training, continuing education, didactic instruction, faculty/staff training, formal lecturing, mentoring

**Housing:** Housing is provided.

**Companions:** Suitable for companion/spouse; not suitable for children

**Hue, Vietnam – Hue University of Medicine and Pharmacy**

HVO volunteers provide guidance in post-graduate and Master's-level education in nursing. They assist Hue University faculty with nursing education

methods, and offer continuing education for current hospital nurses in topics identified by the Hue University nursing department. HVO volunteers also assist with training workshops hosted throughout the year. These workshops will be two weeks in length and focus on 1-2 topics identified by the Hue University nursing department.



**Assignment:** 2-4 weeks

**Teaching Topics:** Nursing education – all topics; palliative care, research process and clinical/didactic methodologies of particular interest

**Opportunities for Those-in-Training:** No

**Qualifications:** Master's degree; current license (active or retired); 2 years of teaching experience in nursing; expertise in a particular area

**Activities:** Clinical training, continuing education, curriculum development, didactic instruction, education material development, faculty/staff training, formal lecturing, mentoring, research advising

**Housing:** Volunteer responsible for housing; information on nearby facilities provided.

**Companions:** Suitable for companion/spouse; suitable for children