



The Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments
Bringing Science and Passion to Environmental Health Issues

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The Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments release Wingspread Statement on Nursing, Health and the Environment.

Concerned Nursing Researchers, Educators, Practitioners, and Advocates Gather to Map the Future of Environmental Health Nursing.

The Steering Committee of the newly established Alliance of Nurses for Healthy Environments gathered at the Johnson Foundation's Wingspread Conference Center in Racine, Wisconsin to strengthen the environmental health and nursing movement.

Scientific evidence continues to affirm and strengthen the link between the health of people and the health of the environment. The Alliance will guide the nursing profession through strengthening education, advancing research, incorporating evidence based practice and influencing policy to promote healthy people and healthy environments.

The Alliance pledged itself to the mission of promoting healthy people and healthy environments. Nurses have a role in protecting human health, especially of the most vulnerable populations. Nurses are responsible for health promotion and disease prevention. As the most trusted profession, the Alliance affirmed that nurses are crucial in creating policies and programs that prevent disease, solve environmental health problems and reduce the burden of disease.

The values of service, collaboration, equity, justice and love are the foundation of the Alliance and its work in the environmental health and nursing efforts.

The ANHE Wingspread Statement, 2009 is available at:

<http://e-commons.org/anhe/2009/07/01/1909/>

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