

BIRD'S EYE VIEW

of
NURSES

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BAHAMAS
up to 1983 plus

by
Hilda V. Bowen
M.B.E.



Dedicated
to
My Mother



JESTINA MADORA BOWEN, nee JOHNSON

Born: December 6, 1894
Died: December 10, 1960

INTRODUCTION

Because of the role played by me in the development of nursing in my country from 1945 to 1983, I felt obligated to leave something which I call "Nurses' Footprints".

In order that it would be meaningful, I have invited three other Bahamians to join me in the production. It is scheduled for 12th October, 1992, my 69th birthday.

Mrs. Patricia Isaacs
Dr. Michael Gerassimos
Dr. Francis Adderley



BRIEF HISTORICAL OVERVIEW OF NURSING IN THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS

The History of the Bahamas dates back to 1492, the discovery of the New World by Christopher Columbus. The inhabitants prior to that time were Caribs Nursing history therefore goes beyond 1492 as we believe that nursing goes together with the beginning of human life, as the sick were not neglected.

The history of nursing in the Bahamas followed the pattern of the earlier days of nursing in Europe due to the influences of Spain, England and America. In Europe nursing was inseparable from the Christian Church.

Records of slaves in the Bahamas during this era indicate that there were at least two nurses among the population.

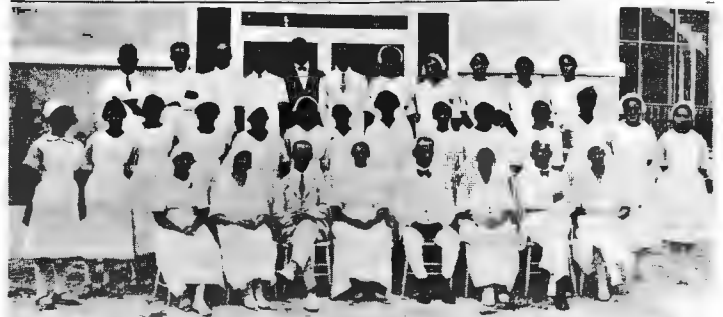


Slaves. Vendue House, Bay Street.

In 1809 by a local Act the Bahamas General Hospital was established on the island of New Providence for the infirm, poor.



Victoria Jubilee Infirmary.



THE ENTIRE staff of the Bahamas General Hospital in 1929 is pictured outside the building which has since been torn down. In those days, the Government gave each student nurse a pair of tennis shoes every six months. Includes Joe Dean, Percival Wilkinson, Cleveland Reeves — grandfather of Dr. Patricia Rodgers and Dr. Jonathan Rodgers, Norman Rahming, Nurse Tyler, Nurse Whitney Powell, Dr. Joe Albury and Dr. Culmer.

In commemoration of Her Majesty's Jubilee, the cornerstone of a new hospital was called the "Victoria Jubilee Infirmary"; laid on the 21st June, 1887, by Governor Blake, in the presence of a very large assemblage of people, and The Victoria Jubilee Infirmary, as it is now called was opened by Sir Ambrose Shea, K.C.M.G. on the 20th June, 1893.

On Coronation Day, 1897, the cornerstone of the new male lunatic ward was laid by Sir William F. Haynes Smith, K.C.M.G. then Governor of the Colony. This fine building was erected as a Memorial of the Diamond Jubilee of Her late Majesty Queen Victoria. It is a substantial and comfortable edifice and occupied one of the finest sites in the island. The ward was occupied for the first time in June.



New ward, built 1922, Private Patients Ward.

In addition to the buildings mentioned above, the 1926 records indicate that the Alexandra Hospital was built in 1902, as an Infirmary and the Private Patients Ward was erected in 1922, consisted of six rooms.

Other buildings in the hospital compound were headquarters for the Resident Surgeons, Superinten-

dent and Nurses, a leper ward and a bacteriological laboratory.

During the fifties the nurses homes were named after five of the Matrons who had served eg. Jacob Male Nurses Home, Blake, Baines, Bachelor and Dane. Baines and Bachelor's Homes still stands within the Hospital compound.



Surgeon's Resident.



Baine's Home, reopened by Matron Baines in 1959.

BAHAMAS GENERAL/PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL

In 1947, patients of the Bahamas General Hospital were moved to Prospect Ridge (R.A.F.) Hospital while the building of the new Hospital, now the P.M.H. was being carried out.



Bahamas General Hospital was renamed Princess Margaret Hospital in 1955 when visited by Princess Margaret.

**MIDWIVES
THE STATUTE LAW
OF
THE BAHAMA ISLANDS
1799 — 1965
VOLUME V**

**CHAPTER 212
MIDWIVES**

**AN ACT FOR THE REGISTRATION OF MIDWIVES
[6th May, 1926]**

1. This Act may be cited as The Midwives Act.
2. In this Act unless the context otherwise requires —
 - “board” means the board of examiners appointed in accordance with the provisions of this Act;
 - “midwife” means a person who for pecuniary gain or other valuable consideration attends or attempts to attend or holds herself out as qualified to attend to women in childbirth or any of the complications of pregnancy;
 - “Minister” means the Minister charged with the responsibility for the administration of this Act.
- 3.—(1) The Governor may appoint boards to examine as to their knowledge and competency persons desirous of acting as midwives
 - (2) A board shall consist of two registered medical practitioners.
 - (3) Where any member of a board is not a Government medical officer, such member shall be entitled to receive the sum of one guinea for the examination of each applicant.
 - 4. No person may act as a midwife within those parts of the Colony to which this Act extends without being registered under this Act.
 - 5. Every applicant to be registered as a midwife shall apply in writing to the Minister who shall there-
 - after arrange for the examination of the applicant.
 - 6. Every applicant shall be examined by a board and if the board is satisfied as to her fitness to practise as a midwife. The board shall issue to her a certificate in the form A set out in the Schedule to this Act and shall transmit a copy of the certificate to the Minister.
 - 7. Where any person resident in an Out Island is recommended by the commissioner of the district in which she resides as being a person fit to practise as a midwife and such person is approved of by the Chief Medical Officer, the Governor may order the grant to such person of a licence to practise as a midwife for the district to be specified in such licence and such licence, which shall be in the form B prescribed in the Schedule to this Act, shall accordingly be issued by the Minister.
 - 8. The Minister shall keep a register in which shall be entered the names and addresses of all persons to whom certificates or licences have been issued under this Act.
 - 9. There shall be published in the Gazette in the month of January in each year the names of all persons together with their respective addresses to whom certificates or licences have been issued under this Act and whose names still appear on the register.
 - 10. Any person who acts as a midwife contrary to the provisions of this Act shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine of fifty pounds or to imprisonment for six months.

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11.—(1) Every registered medical practitioner and every coroner shall inform the Minister in every instance where, in his opinion any person registered under this Act has become incapable of acting, or is from negligence, age or any other cause unfit to act, as a midwife and on due cause shown it shall be lawful for the Minister to cause the certificate of licence issued to such person to be cancelled and her name to be removed from the register.

(2) The Minister shall remove from the register the name of any person who he is satisfied is dead.

12. In any proceedings for an offence against the provisions of this Act, in which it is necessary to prove that any person is not registered under this Act, such person shall be deemed to be not registered until the contrary is shown.

13. Nothing in section 4 of this Act shall be construed to apply to any registered medical practitioner.

14. All expenses incurred in carrying out the provisions of this Act shall be paid out of the Treasury by warrant in the usual manner.

15.—(1) This Act shall apply only to New Providence.

(2) The provisions of this Act may be extended to such settlements of an Out Island as the Governor may on petition from the inhabitants of such settlement extend it by Order, and thereafter it shall come into force date as may be fixed in the same or any other Order.

SCHEDULE.

FORM A.

The Midwives Act.

CERTIFICATE to act as a midwife.

Nassau,
New Providence.

(date)

We hereby certify that _____ of
_____ having this day been
examined by the examining board is considered fit to
act as a midwife.

Members,
Examining Board.

FORM B.

The Midwives Act.

LICENCE to act as a midwife.

Nassau,
New Providence,

(date)

I hereby certify that _____ of
_____ has been granted a licence
to act as a midwife within the area or district herein
set out, namely,

Minister

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The responsibility of entering names at this time fell upon the Principal Matron. Thirty-two (32) names were entered by the time she left in 1965. When Miss Hilda Bowen was appointed Principal Matron and Miss Patricia Fountain (Bahamian) was appointed Hospital Matron.

To date Miss Bowen has entered approximately two hundred and thirty-four (234) names to the Register of Certified Nurses kept by the Ministry of Health.

OFFICIAL GAZETTE

**MIDWIVES' REGISTER FOR YEAR
ENDING DECEMBER, 1964**

NAME	ADDRESS	NAME	ADDRESS
A			
Adderley, Rosalie	Morrison Fox Hill, Nassau	Butler, Viola	Sweeting Nassau
Antribose, Emily	Culmer Lewis Street, Nassau	Basden, Lillian	Nassau
Anderson, Lillian	Goddard Canaan Lane, Nassau	Bullard, Virginia	Gibson Nassau
Archer, Clotilda	Marsh Harbour, Abaco	Bethel, Veronica	Nassau
Adderley, Celeste	Deans, Long Island	Burke, Monica	McKinney Nassau
Albury, Julia	Butler Nassau	Buchanan, Joyce	Jamaica
Arnett, Mary	San Salvador	Burrows, Zedrelda	Nassau
Alleyne, Dorris E.	Patton Nassau	Bevans, Veronica	Nassau
Albury, Alberta N.	Bethel Nassau		
Amoury, S. K.	Watson Nassau	C	
Aldridge, P. D.	U.K.	Culmer, Mary R.	Palmetto Point, Eleuthera
Armbrister, Mary	McQuay Nassau	Cancino, Jane E.	Virginia Street, Nassau
Allen, Vernelle T.	U.K.	Clarke, Mary	Dorchester Street, Nassau
Arthur, Marie	Hatchet Bay, Eleuthera	Crutchlow, Veronica C.	U.S.A.
Adderley, Margaret	Nassau	Carr, Marguerite	U.S.A.
Albury, Brownell	Williams San Salvador	Carr, Elizabeth	Nassau
Alexander, Jessie	U.K.	Cooper, Florence	Nassau
Adam, Margaret	Lesley U.K.	Cooper, Cecelia	Burying Piece Corner, Nassau
		Cowen, Lenia	Smith Ross Corner, Nassau
B			
Bartlett, Mary	Grand Bahama	Clarke, Naomi L. C.	Sears Nassau
Butler, Minerva M.	Nassau	Campbell, Myrtis	Ferguson U.S.A.
Bailey, Rosalie	Dorchester Stret, Nassau	Christie, Anna N.	Allen Sears Addition, Nassau
Bethel, Martha	Marsh Harbour, Abaco	Cooper, Raheada J.	Carey U.K.
Brooks, Ida	Nassau	Collie, Ethel	Cox Nassau
Bethel, Blanch Emma E.	U.S.A.	Carey, Sybil Wilhelmina	Nassau
Bunch, Florence M.	Nassau	Curry, Margaret	U.K.
Banfield, Myrtle Mae	U.S.A.	Conyers, Catherine	Nassau
Bethel, Veronica	Cooper Nassau	Claridge, Dorothy	Loring U.K. - Nassau
Burkowski, Myrtle D.	U.S.A.	Claridge, Pearl	Temple U.K. - Nassau
Black, Helen A.	Montreal, Canada	Cooper, Muriel	Duncanson Nassau
	Nassau	Colebrook, Rose	Nassau
Brennan, Lizzie Velle V. Fife	Nassau	Clarke, Gretal	Nassau
Batchelder, M.	U.K.	Cunningham, Martha	Inagua
Baker, Mamie	Nassau	Cooper, Lurene	Newbold Nassau
Bain, Patricia	Astwood Nassau	Cooper, Shirley	Nassau
Burke, Edna L.	McKinney Nassau	Coakley, Marina	U.S.A.
Brown, Sylvia	Boyd Nassau	Chea, Marvis	Turnquest Nassau
Breakey, M.	U.K.	Coleby, Hazel	Cleare Nassau
Burke, B.	U.S.A.	Cox, Brenda Louise	Nassau
Bain, Naomi Aramita	Nassau	Curtis, Sybil	Nassau
Bakewell, Mary	U.K.	Cummings, Alice	Edwards Nassau
Bowen, Hilda V.	Nassau	Carroll, Angela L. V.	Knowles Nassau
Bethel, Birdie	Nassau		
Boyd, Inez Louise	Nassau	Cooper, Enid Georgia	Curtis Fox Hill, Nassau
Babb, Evelyn	Bootle Nassau		
Butler, Mauletta	Rahming Nassau	Cartwright, Lula	Long Cay, Fortune Island
Brown, Beryl	Nassau	Cooper, Pearlina A.	Bethel Nassau
Brigg, Katherine M.	U.K.	Cox, Olive W.	Godet Red Lion Bar Corner, Nassau
Bridgewater, Edna Henrietta	Nassau	Clapton, Renee	U.K.
Barry, Rose	U.S.A.	Colebrook, Nathalie	Bailey Nassau
Baradon, Jeanette	U.K.	Curtis, Barbara	Farrington Nassau
Butler, Unt J.	Gibson Nassau	Cooper, Ruth	Nassau
Bowe, Lucille R.	Collie Nassau	Coltherd, Agnes	U.K.
Brennan, Gwendolyn A.	Todd South Street, Nassau	Cartwright, Oris	Nassau
Brennan, Alean	Cambridge Nassau	D	
Buckle, Molly	Lucas U.K.	Dean, Branhilda	Mt. Royal Avenue, Nassau
Burke, Mary	Australia	Dupuch, Evelyn	Nassau

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Dean, Susan	Nassau	Farquharson, Leona O.	Nassau
Dorsett, Hilda M.	Bowen Nassau	Williams	Nassau
Drudge, Hilda	Knowles Nassau	Fox, Juletta	Nassau
Davis, Patience	San Salvador	Fountain, Patricia	Nassau
Duncan, Vera	Nassau	Fowler, Marina	Nassau
Davis, Monica E.	Nassau	Ferguson, Patricia M.	Nassau
Duvalier, Ruby	Clarke Nassau	Faulks, Thelma	Taylor Nassau
Dean, Eula	Sandy Point, Abaco	Ferguson, Ellen	Nassau
Davis, Rosa May	U.S.A.	Fowell, Lucy	U.K.
Darville, Lucy Anna	Neely Nassau	Farrington, Madeline	
Deleveaux, Martha L.	Crooked Island	Cartwright	Nassau
Darling, Hazel	Wells Nassau	Farrington, Paula	Archer U.S.A.
Davis, Jeleta	Abaco	Freeze, Mary	Canada
Davis, Emma Rolle	Conliffe Bimini	Forbes, Gloria	Nassau
Dane, Denise	U.K.		
Douglas, Pearl	Nassau	G	
Davis, Agnes	Strachan Nassau	Gibson, Lillian	Dowdeswell Street, Nassau
Deleveaux, Patrinella	Darville Nassau	Gordeon, Amelia	Palmetto Point, Eleuthera
Daniels, Shirley M.	Fernander Nassau	Gibson, Catherine F.	Clarence Town, Long Island
Dean, Beverley	Johnson Nassau	Gibson, Virginia	Symonette Nassau
Dorsett, Drusilla	Nassau	Gibson, Lorraine	Johnson West End, Grand Bahama
Dames, Nelia	Andros	Gray, M. C.	Canada
Davy, Doreen	U.K.	Gibson, Mildred	Nassau
Dunlap, Lula	U.S.A.	Grieve, Florence E.	U.K.
Davies, Sylvia E.	U.K.	Gibson, Merina Castella	Nassau
Dummett, Luvie E.	Nassau	Green, M.	U.S.A.
Dean, Eunice	Davis Nassau	Goldsmith, Barbara M.	Nassau
Dean, Thirza	Albury Nassau	Gardiner, Alice M.	Ferguson Nassau
Dorsett, Mildred	Nassau	Godier, Millicent Jan	U.K.
Deveaux, Leonora	Francis Nassau	Gresham, Mary C.	U.K.
Davis, Marian V.	Nassau	Genevieve, Sister Mary	U.S.A.
Douglas, Ernestine	Nassau	Gomez, Myrtle	Nassau
E		H	
Edwards, Caroline	Nassau	Hope, Salvita	Nassau
Ellis, Priscella	Nassau	Hanna, M.	Grand Bahama
Edwards, Rose Anne	Nassau	Higgs, Jeanette	Nassau
Elford, Merle	U.K.	Haven, Gertrude	Fort Fincastle, Nassau
Ellis, Lovely	San Salvador	Holmes, Edith	Nassau
F		Hepburn, Priscilla	Holidays, Long Island
Francis, Margaret	Wilton Nassau	Haven, Maud Adelle	Sands Nassau
Fountain, Madge I.	Mt. Royal Avenue, Nassau	Hanna, Myrtle M.	Nichols Nassau
Ferguson, Sarah Jane	Grant's Town, Nassau	Hanna, Merline M.	Adderley Nassau
Fish, Dorothy	Nassau	Hilton, Mary	Rock Sound, Eleuthera
Forbes, Ethel	Andros	Hamilton, Delores M.	Cleare Nassau
Fernander, Madeline A.	Nassau	Hanna, Flora	Coakley Nassau
Ferguson, Roxanna	Acklins	Hood, Jean	Griffin Hope Town, Abaco
Fountain, Lelia L.	Gibbs Nassau	Hepburn, Carmen	Ferguson Nassau
Forbes, Arabella	Mangrove Cay, Andros	Howes, Mary S. J.	Nassau
Ferguson, Enid D.	Marshall U.S.A.	Hitcher, Victoria	U.K.
Fernander, Lillian	Current, Eleuthera	Hepburn, Barbara	Pratt Nassau
Felferning, Ernestine	U.K.	Holmes, Margaret Marie	Nassau
Fernander, Doreen	Nassau	Hood, June	U.K.
Farquharson, Lula	Colonel Hill, Crooked Island	Hughes, Bonita	Tarpum Bay, Eleuthera
Ferguson, Veronica	Williams Bennets Harbour, Cat Island	I	
Fisher, Betty E. W.	B. Havward U.K.	Innis, Olive F.	Chippingham, Nassau
		Ingraham, Loretta	Ross Corner
		Ingraham, Ellen	Spring Point, Acklins
		Ingraham, Pandora	Pratt Nassau
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		Jones, Alice Marie	Hill Nassau
		Jones, Mary	Meadie Point, Grand Bahama

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Johnson, Angela Bain	Nassau
Johnson, Mary Elizabeth	Nassau
Johnson, Catherine E.	U.S.A.
Jones, Patricia Keef	Rock Sound, Eleuthera
Johnson, Patricia J. Major	Nassau
Jones, Audrey Paula	U.K.
Johnson, Charmaine Culmer	Nassau
Johnson, Gwendolyn Bethel	Nassau
Johnson, Diane	James Cistern, Eleuthera
Jones, Barbara E.	U.K.
Johnson, Helen	Nassau
Johnson, T. A.	U.K.
Jupp, Alice Archer	Nassau
Johnson, Beverley	Nassau
Johnson, Gloria M.	Nassau
Johnson, Wilhelmina Dames	U.S.A.
Johnson, Lucinda	Nassau

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Knowles, Mary	Tarpum Bay, Eleuthera
Knowles, Gertrude Sands	Nassau
Knowles, Emma O'Keffe	Nassau
Knowles, I. E.	Nassau
Knowles, Nora Melinda	Farrington Road, Nassau
Knowles, Rosaline G.	Nassau
King, Brezetta G.	Nassau
Kemp, Geleta	Kemp's Bay, Eleuthera
Knowles, Alice Muriel	Nassau
Kelly, Ruby Floral	U.S.A.
Key, E. Grace Farrington	Nassau
Kelly, M. Caroline	Nassau
Knowles, Fredericka Cambridge	Nassau
Kemp, Alice Ray	Taylor Street, Nassau
King, Ruth N.	Nassau
Kemp, Zilpha	West End, Grand Bahama
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Knowles, Maud A.	Nassau
Kemp, Veronica	Nassau

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Lockhart, M.	Nassau
Lewis, Annie	Eight Mile Rock, Grand Bahama
Lowe, Victoria	Rum Cay
Longley, Vivienne Louise	Nassau
Levarity, Rosa	Bimini
Lockhart, Susimae	Nassau
Lisle, Mary O. Hughes	U.K.
Lee, Victoria J. M.	U.K.
Lightbourne, Gladys	U.S.A.
Lockhart, Celeste Deveaux	Nassau
Larrimore, Joyce Clarke	Nassau
Lunn, Joan	Nassau

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Maycock, Eliza M.	Mason's Addition, Nassau
Mather, Annie	Bootle Grove, Grand Bahama
Maura, E. Petty	Nassau

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Moxey, Phoebe	Ragged Island
Martin, Leonora	Nassau
Major, Frances	Clarence Town, Long Island
Major, Rachel	Clarence Town, Long Island
Martin, Lula	Bay Street, Nassau
Marsh, Maud O.	Nassau
Moss, Vera	Rechelen
Moore, Hazel L. D.	Lower Bogue, Eleuthera
	Steventon Nassau

Major, Rosetta	
Munnings, Ophelia T.	Nassau
	Seymour Nassau
Miller, Lydia E. McKinney	Nassau
Mortimer, Vorgania Poitier	Nicholls Town, Andros
Maulsen, D. E. Cross	U.S.A.
Makepeace, Ellen H.	Nassau
Mould, Dorothy	U.K.
Moroe, Manell	Ragged Island
Matthews, Patricia	U.K.
Moxey, Alberta	Smith Nassau
Morce, Nora	Fife Nassau
Martin, Patricia	Harris U.K.
Miller, Ruth	Maycock Nassau
Major, Olga	Nassau
Miller, Anginette	Nassau
Marsh, Theresa A.	U.K.
Morris, Ironica	Bode Nassau
Morgan, Vera	U.K.
Mackrell, Mary	U.K.
McKiney, Lvdia Elizabeth	Nassau
McCall, Irene P.	U.K.
McKenna, Teresa R.	U.K.
McKenzie, Margaret M.	Nassau
McCartney, Dorothy M.	Nassau
McKinney, Helen H.	Nassau
McIntosh, Brenetta	Coopers Town, Abaco
McKiney, Eva	Nassau
McKenzie, Pearlina	Hospital Lane, Nassau
McLatamour, T. N.	

McCarrol, Morfydd	Thompson U.S.A.
	Rowlands Nassau
McSporran, Doris	U.K.
McKinney, Marilyn	Rolle Nassau

N

Neilly, Zenobia	Dorsett Meeting Street, Nassau
Nixon, C. L. Majorie	Inagua
Nairn, Cynthia	Holbert Nassau
Nicholls, Eloise	Nassau
Nickens, Enez	Nassau
Neilly, Shirley Marina	Nassau
Nixon, Audrey Sadie	Toote Nassau
Neilly, Laura E.	U.S.A.
Newbold, Beverley	Knowles Nassau
Nixon, Boleyn	Gibson Nassau
Newbold, Pamela	Tucker Nassau

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Ogilvie, Mary S.	U.K.
O'Connell, Eileen	U.K.

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Price, Rosalie E.	East Street, Nassau
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Pratt, Palma	Stubbs Mayaguana	Smith, Alice Blanche	Fort Fincastle, Nassau
Peareth, A.	U.K.	Sealey, I. H.	Nassau
Pratt, Isabella M.	Johnson Clarence Town, Long Island	Sweeting, J.	Woodall Nassau
Payne, Lucille	Capron Canada	Symonette, Malretta	Nassau
Pearson, Ivy	Delectable Bay, Acklins	Slater, Muriel W.	Nassau
Pinder, Leota	Eleuthera	Symonette, Marvis	Nassau
Prest, Jessie	U.K.	Smith, Maudline	Dunfries, Cat Island
Poitier, Lula M.	Nassau	Smith, Louise	Cooper Nassau
Pratt, Icelyn M.	Johnson The Bight, Cat Island	Sweeting, Earla	Fresh Creek, Andros
Pvfrom, Ruth Margaret	Nassau	Sawyer, Effie C.	Smith Nassau
Pickstock, Sarah	Nassau	Stubbs, Eloise Anne	Nassau
Phillips, M. I.	U.K.	Smith, June Margaret	U.K.
Pratt, Lucy	Roberts Nassau	Stubbs, Winifred	Shield U.K.
Peet, Merlene	Nassau	Strachan, Gloria	Sands Nassau
Pennerman, Veronica	Johnson Nassau	Stubbs, Eueda Colleen	Nassau
Phillips, Dorothy H.	Davis Nassau	Sweeting, Myrtle	Little Creek, Andros
Parnel, Joan	U.K.	Stirrup, Eula Dell,	Allen Nassau
Pitman, Margaret	U.K.	Smith, Barbara	Davies Nassau
Pratt, Leonara	Deveaux Nassau	Storr, Gloria I.	Forbes Nassau
Poitier, Prenetta	Nassau	Saunders, Shirley	Dean Nassau
Powell, Edith	Whitney Green Turtle Cay, Abaco	Smith, Christiana	Kemp Road, Nassau
Pinder, Yvone	Nassau	Strachan, Anna	Clarence Town, Long Island
R		Sands, Eliza J.	Palmetto Point, Eleuthera
Rolle, Elizabeth	Bradie Point, Grand Bahama	Symonette, Norma Myrtle	Johnson's Alley, Nassau
Rodgers, Persis H.	Roberts Nassau	Stalker, M.	U.K.
Russell, Branchilda V.	U.S.A.	Simpson, Gladys	U.K.
Ridley, Jean M.	U.K.	Steward, Evelyn	Nassau
Rolle, Ethel	Nassau	Salmon, Diana	U.K.
Roker, Arabella	Nassau	Sinclair, Frances	Canada
Roberts, Susanna V.	Nassau	Smith, Inez	McDonald Jamaica
Russell, Ruth A.	Nassau	Smith, Jocelyn	Nassau
Rollins, I. Orville	Nassau	Strachan, Natalie	Nassau
Rolle, Marilyn	Nassau	Saunders, Lily Mae	Nassau
Roberts, Lorina	Gregory Town, Eleuthera	Strachan, Maulese Veronica	Nassau
Reed, Rose	Nassau	Storr, Miriam	U.K.
Ritchie, Ruth N.	Brennan Nassau	T	
Rahming, Edith	Deep Creek, Andros	Thompson, Sarah E.	Savannah Sound, Eleuthera
Rolle, Orion	Black Point, Andros	Thompson, M. E.	Grand Bahama
Rolle, Olean	Black Point, Andros	Tynes, Binal	Odle Odle Corner, Nassau
Ruddock, Enid	Jamaica	Thompson, Naomi	Dean Nassau
Rolle, Lydia	King Exuma	Thompson, Lillian	Farrington Augusta Street, Nassau
S		Taylor, Ruby	Poitier Nassau
Silver, Una Janet	Fort Fincastle, Nassau	Theophilus, Mary E.	Eneas Nassau
Sampson, Mary Edith	Nassau	Thompson, Dorothy K.	Dean's Lane, Nassau
Stuart, Lettie	Nassau	Thompson, Maud L.	Johnson Fort Fincastle, Nassau
Sweeting, Mabel	Nassau	Tynes, Louaise Elizabeth	Nassau
Sandilands, Monica	Nassau	Taylor, Marguerite Elaine	Nassau
Strachan, Alice	West Street, Nassau	Taylor, Agnes Ethel	Nassau
Simons, Joyce	Grant Fort Fincastle, Nassau	Turner, Edis	Nassau
Smith, Ethel M.	Nassau	Types, Elizabeth	Boyd Nassau
Smith, Christiana	Kemp Road, Nassau	Tynes, Louise T.	Maynard Nassau
Sawyer, Marie	Albury Alice Street, Nassau	Turner, Coralie	Munnings Nassau
Stewart, Rosanna	Moore's Island, Abaco	Toote, Geneva	Pleasant Bay, Andros
Sealey, Ursula E.	Nassau	Thompson, Patricia	Moxey Nassau
Sawyer, Edith	Seymour Nassau	Turner, Gwendolyn	Nixon Nassau
Sands, Sarah	Rum Cay	Thompson, Margaret	Wemyss Bight, Eleuthera
Sawyer, Victoria J.	Armaly Nassau	Thompson, Vernika	Johnson Nassau

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NAME		ADDRESS	NAME		ADDRESS
Taylor, Rose		Nassau	Walkes, Naomi E.		Nassau
Thompson, Marina	Oakley	Nassau	Wicksted, R. M.		U.K.
Thompson, Jacqueline			Walkes, Carmetta D.		Nassau
	Simon	Nassau	Wilson, Mabel	Bain	Nassau
Turnquest, Beverly		Nassau	Whapham, Norah		U.K.
Thompson, Shirley		Nassau	Walkes, Castelle Arnette		Nassau
Thompson, Verna	Ferguson	Nassau	Whitfield, Luella	Gray	Nassau
Tynes, Edna Elizabeth		Nassau	Williams, Alma	Rolle	Nassau
Trotman, Patricia		Staniard Creek, Andros	Watkins, Geneva		Nassau
Thurston, Thelma		Nassau	Williams, Doris Evangeline		Nassau
	W		Waring, Mary Elizabeth		Canada
Weir, Rose		Blue Hill Road, Nassau	Wilson, Edna		Nassau
Wood, Emily		Nassau	Wilson, Frances		Nassau
Whitfield, Ruth	Robins	Nassau	Watkins, Olivia E.	Jervis	Nassau
Wood, Margaret	Weir	U.S.A.	Wildgoose, Veronica		Nassau
Waterman, Lottie V.	Dean	U.S.A.	Wilson, Ivy		Nassau
Williams, Julia		San Salvador	Wells, Jacqueline		Nassau
White, Gussie		Knowles, Cat Island		Y	
Wilchombe, Amy		West End, Grand Bahama	Young, Catherine		Nassau
Wood, Ethel Rosa D.		U.S.A.	Yockney, Elaine		New Zealand

EXTRACT FROM OFFICIAL GAZETTE Dated the 10th February, 1966 - No. 6.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH

MIDWIVES LICENSED UP TO 31 DECEMBER 1966

NAME		ADDRESS	NAME		ADDRESS
	A		Bethel	Veronica	Cooper Nassau
Adderley	Rosalie Morrison	Fox Hill, Nassau	Burkoroski	Myrtle D.	U.S.A.
Antrobose	Emily	Lewis Street, Nassau	Black	Helen	Montreal, Canada
Anderson	Lillian Gooddard	Cannan Lane, Nassau	Burnside	Caroline	Nassau
Archer	Clotilda	Marsh Harbour, Abaco	Brennan	Lizzie Fife	Nassau
Adderley	Celeste	Deans, Long Island	Baker	Mamie	Nassau
Albury	Julia Butler	Nassau	Bain	Patricia Astwood	Nassau
Arnett	Mary	San Salvador	Burke	Edna McKinney	Nassau
Alleyn	Doris Patton	Nassau	Bain	Naomi	Nassau
Albury	Alberta Bethel	Nassau	Bakewell	Mary	U.K.
Amoury	S.K. Watson	Nassau	Bowen	Hilda V.	Nassau
Armbrister	Mary McQuary	Nassau	Bethel	Burdie	Nassau — U.S.A.
Arthur	Marie	Hatchet Bay, Eleuthera	Boyd	Inez L. Bootle	Nassau
Adderley	Margaret	Nassau	Babb	Evelyn	Nassau
Albury	Brownell Williams	San Salvador	Butler	Mauletta Rahming	Nassau
Alexander	Jessie	U.K.	Brown	Beryl	Nassau
Adam	Margaret	U.K. Sept. 1963	Bridgewater	Edna	Nassau
Anglin	Clover	Jamaica Aug. 1965	Baradon	Jeanette	U.K.
	B		Butler	Una Gibson	Nassau
Bartlett	Mary	Grand Bahama	Bowe	Lucille Collie	Nassau — U.S.A.
Butler	Minerva M.	Nassau	Brennan	Gwendolyn Todd	South Street — Nassau
Bailey	Rosalie	Dorchester St. Nassau	Brennan	Aleen Cambridge	Nassau
Bethel	Martha	Marsh Harbour, Abaco	Buckle	Molly Lucas	U.K.
Brooks	Ida		Burke	Mary	Australia 1962 — Nassau
Bethel	Blanch	U.S.A.	Butler	Viola Sweeting	Nassau
Bunch	Florence	Nassau	Basden	Lillian	Nassau
Banfield	Myrtle	U.S.A.	Bullard	Virginia Gibson	Nassau 1962
			Bethel	Veronica	Nassau

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Burrows	Zedelda	Nassau	1963	Darville	Lucy	Neeley	Nassau
Bevans	Veronica	Nassau	1963	Deleveaux	Martha		Crooked Island
Bullard	Helen	Nassau	1965	Darling	Hazel	Wells	Nassau
Blaylock	Mary	U.S.A.)		Davis	Jeleta		Abaco, Bahamas
Brandl	Carole	U.S.A.)		Davis	Emma		Bimini
C				Douglas	Pearl		Nassau
Culmer	Mary	R.	Palmetto Point, Eleuthera	Davis	Agnes	Strachan	Nassau
Cancino	Jame	E.	Virginia Stree, Nassau (Inactive)	Deleveaux	Patrenella	Darville	Nassau
Clarke	Mary		Dorchester St. Nassau (Inactive)	Daniels	Shirley	Fernander	Nassau
Critchlow	Beronica	C.	U.S.A.	Dean	Beverley	Johnson	Nassau
Carr	Marguerite		U.S.A.	Dorsett	Dausila		Nassau
Cooper	Florence		Nassau	Dames	Nelia		Nichols Town, Andros
Cooper	Cecelia		Burying Piece Corner, Nassau	Davey	Doreen		U.K.
Cowen	Lenia	Smith	Ross Corner, Nassau	Davis	Sylvia		U.K.
Clarke	Naomi	Sears	Nassau	Dummett	Luvie		(Nassau) U.S.A.
Campbell	Myrtis	Ferguson	U.S.A.	Dean	Eunice	Davis	Nassau
Christie	Naomi	Allen	Sears Addition, Nassau	Dean	Thirza	Albury	Nassau
Cooper	Remanda	Carey	U.K. — Nassau	Dorsett	Mildred		Nassau
Collie	Ethel	Cox	Nassau	Deveaux	Leonara		Nassau
Carey	Sybil		Governor's Harbour, Eleuthera	Davis	Marian		Nassau
Conyers	Catherine		Nassau	Douglas	Ernestine		Nassau
Claridge	Pearl	Temple	U.K. — Nassau	Dayes	Hazel		Jamaica Part 1
Cooper	Elaine	Duncanson	Nassau	Duff	Sonia		U.K.
Colebrook	Rose		Nassau	Dinndorf	Renee		U.S.A. R.N. Only
Clarke	Gretal		Nassau	E			
Cunningham	Martha		Inagua	Edwards	Caroline		Nassau
Cooper	Lerline	Newbold	Nassau	Ellis	Priscella		San Salvador
Cooper	Shirley		Nassau	Ellis	Lovely		Nassau
Coakley	Marina		U.S.A.	Edwards	Rose		Nassau
Chea	Mavis	Turnquest	Nassau	Elford	Merle	Key	U.K. 1962 — Nassau
Coleby	Hazel	Cleare	Nassau	F			
Cox	Brenda		Nassau — U.K.	Francis	Margaret	Wilton	Nassau
Curtis	Sybil		Nassau	Ferguson	Sarah		Grants Town, Nassau
Cummings	Olive	Edwards	Nassau	Fish	Dorothy		Nassau
Carroll	Angela	Knowles	Nassau	Forbes	Ethel		Andros, Bahamas
Cox	Olive	Godet	Red Lion Bar Corner, Nassau	Ferguson	Roxanna		Acklins
Cooper	Enid	Curtis	Col Hill, Nassau	Fountain	Lelia	Gibbs	Nassau
Cartwright	Lula		Long Cay, Fortune Island	Forbes	Arabella		Mangrove Cay, Andros
Cooper	Pearline	Bethel	Nassau	Ferguson	Enid	Marshall	U.S.A.
Cartwright	Oris		Nassau	Fernander	Lillian		The Current, Eleuthera
Cooper	Ruth		Nassau	Fernander	Doreen		Nassau
Clarke	Ismae		Nassau 1965	Farquharson	Lula		Colonel Hill, Crooked Is.
Callaghan	B.		U.K. 1965	Ferguson	Veronica	Williams	Bennetts Harbour, Cat Is.
Clarke	Jeanette		Jamaica 1965	Fisher	Betty	Hayward	U.K.
Campbell	Brenda		U.K. 1965	Farquharson	Leona	Williams	Nassau
Clemmey	Lilliam		U.K. 1965	Fox	Juletta		Nassau
Cole	Sylvia		Nassau	Fountain	Patricia		Nassau
D				Fowler	Marina		Nassau
Depuch	Evelyn		(Nassau) U.S.A.	Ferguson	Patricia		Nassau
Dorsett	Hilda	Bowen	Augusta St. Nassau	Faulkes	Thelma	Taylor	Nassau
Drudge	Muriel	Knowles	Nassau	Ferguson	Ellen		Nassau
Davis	Patience		San Salvador, Bahamas	Farrington	Madeline	Cartwright	Nassau
Duncan	Vera		Nassau	Farrington	Paula	Archer	Nassau — U.S.A.
Davis	Monica		Nassau	Forbes	Gloria		Nassau
Duvalier	Ruby	Clarke	Nassau	Fisher	Phyllis		Jamaica
Dean	Eula		Sandy Point, Abaco	Fergus	Allison		Jamaica
Davis	Rosa	Mae	U.S.A.	Ferguson	Cleopatra		Nassau
				Ferguson	Shela		Nassau
				Ferraro	Melberlee		Jamaica
				Flynn	E.		Nassau

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NAME		ADDRESS		NAME		ADDRESS	
G							
Gibson	Lillian		Dowdeswell St. Nassau (Inactive)	Johnson	O.		Lovely Bay, Acklins
Gordon	Amelia		Palmetto Point, Eleuthera	Jones	Audrey		U.K.
Gibson	Catherine		Clearance Town, Long Island	Johnson	Charmaine	Culmer	Nassau
Gibson	Virginia	Symonette	Nassau	Johnson	Gwendolyn	Bethel	Nassau
Gibson	Lorraine	Johnson	Nassau	Johnson	Diane		James Cistern, Eleuthera
Gray	MC.		Canada	Jones	Barbara		U.K.
Gibson	Mildred		Nassau	Johnson	Helen		Nassau
Gibson	Marina		Nassau	Johnson	T.A.		U.K.
Glinton,	P.		Governor's Harbour, Eleuthera	Johnson	Beverley		Nassau
Green	M.		U.S.A.	Johnson	Gloria	M.	Nassau
Gardiner	Alice	Ferguson	Nassau	Johnson	Lucinda		Nassau 1962
Genivieve	Sister Mary		U.S.A.	Johnson	Margaret		U.K. 1965
Green	Leoni		Nassau	Jenkins	M.		U.K. 1965
Gresham	Mary		U.K.	Johnson	Inez	Nickens	Nassau
Gomez	Myrtle		Nassau	Johnston	M.	F.	
Green	Whynona		Nassau	K			
Gibson	Mary		U.K. 1965	Knowles	Mary		Tarpum Bay, Eleuthera
Gabriel	Ann		U.S.A.	Knowles	Emma	O'Keefe	Nassau
Gittens	Barbara		Nassau	Knowles	I.E.		Nassau
Godet	Maggie		Nassau	Knowles	Norma		Farrington Rd. Nassau
Gale	M.		Nassau	Knowles	Rosaline		Nassau
H				King	Brezetta		Nassau
Hope	Salvita		Nassau	Kemp	Geleta		Kemps Bay, Bahamas.
Hanna	M.		Grand Bahama	Knowles	Alice	M.	Nassau
Higgs	Jeanette		Nassau	Kelly	Ruby		U.S.A.
Holmes	Edith		Nassau	Key	E. Grace	Farrington	Nassau
Hepburn	Precella		Holidays, Long Island.	Kelly	Caroline		Nassau
Haven	Maud	Sands	Nassau	Knowles	Federica	Cambridge	Nassau
Hanna	Myrtle	Nicholls	Nassau	Kemp	Alice		Taylor St. Nassau
Hanna	Merlene	Adderley	Nassau	King	Ruth		Nassau
Hilton	Mary		Rock Sound, Eleuthera	Kemp	Zilpha		West End, Grand Bahama
Hamilton	Delores	Cleare	Nassau	Knowles	Monica	Shannan	U.K. — Bahamas — General Training only.
Hanna	Flora	Coakley	Nassau	Knowles	Maud		Nassau
Hood	Jean	Griffin	Hope Town, Abaco	Kemp	Veronica		Nassau
Hepburn	Carmen	Ferguson	Nassau	Kirkman	Joyce		U.K.
Howes	Mary		Nassau	Klass	C.		
Hatcher	Victoria		U.K.	L			
Hepburn	Barbara	Pratt	Nassau	Lockhart	M.		Nassau
Holmes	Margaret		Nassau	Lewis	Annie		Eight Mile Rock, Grand Bahama
Holmes,	E.		Abraham's Bay, Mayaguana	Lowe	Vivienne	L.	Rum Cay, Bahamas
I				Longley	Victoria		Nassau
Innis	Olive		Chippingham, Nassau	Lavarity	Rosa		Bimini
Ingraham	Loretta		Rose Corner, Nassau	Lockhart	Susamae		Nassau
Ingraham	Ellen		Spring Point, Acklins	Lightbourne	Gladys		U.S.A.
Ingraham	Pandora	Pratt	Nassau	Lockhart	Deveaux		Nassau
J				Larrimore	Joyce		Nassau
Jones	Alice	Hill	Nassau	Lunn	Joan		Nassau
Jones	Mary		Beadie Point, Grand Bahama	Lawrence	Verna	Patricia	Jamaica
Johnson	Anna	(Inactive)	East Shirley St. Nassau	M			
Johnson	Elna	Whyly	Nassau	Moxey R.			Duncan's Town, Ragged Island
Johnson	Verna	Ferguson	Nassau	Maycock	Eliza		Masons Addition, Nassau
Johnson	Angela	Bain	Nassau	Mathers	Annie		Bottle Grove, Grand Bahama
Johnson	Catherine		U.S.A.	Maura	E.	Petty	Nassau
Jones	Patricia	Keefe	Rock Sound, Eleuthera	Moxey	Phoebe		Ragged Island, Bahamas
Johnson	Patricia	Major	Nassau	Martin	Leonora		Nassau
M				Major	Francis		Clarence Town, Long Island
				Major	Rachael		Clarence Town, Long Island
				Martin	Lula		Hay Street, Nassau

KNOWN BAHAMIAN NURSES



NURSE ZENOVIA NEILLY



NURSE ROSE WEIR was the first president of the Association when it was formed in 1947.



BLUE HILL ROAD — WELFARE CLINIC — Standing L. to R. Miss Alice Hill-Jones, First Bahamian Public Health Nurse, Olivia Watkins-Jarvis, H.R.H. Duchess of Windsor, Dr. Worrell, father of Phillip Worrell and Nurses Persis Rodgers. Seated Merlene Hanna nee Adderley, Maud Sands and Z. Neely.



Monica Sandilands in charge of the male and female infirmaries for many years. Aunt of Mr. Cecil Bethel former headmaster of the Government High School.



Hilda Dorsett, nee Bowen head of Red Cross Creche, Baillou Hill Road in later years.

NURSE MYRA ELLEN MITCHELL



She was educated at Savannah Sound local School, came to Nassau in the early 1920's to pursue a Nursing career (at Bahamas General Hospital).



Nurse Selver, Bahamas General Hospital, Fort Fincastle.

MONICA ESELITA DAVIS



Date of Birth:
Place of Birth:
Parents:
Religion:
Education:

Professional Training:

27th February, 1914
Colon, Panama
Adina & Henry Davis
Roman Catholic
Attended Grade School in Kingston, Jamaica; Western Senior & Government High Schools, Nassau
Trained at Bahamas General Hospital and qualified for Registered Nurse status 1939

LOTTIE V. TYNES NEE MORRIS

Date of Birth: January 3, 1921
Place of Birth: Gray's, Long Island, Bahamas
School Attended: Primary Education, Gray's & Buckley's School Secondary Education, Western Senior
Rev. Millington Private School
Professional Nursing School
Bahamas General Hospital - Nassau.
Past President of the Bahamas Red Cross



LIST OF MATRONS APPOINTED

BAHAMAS GENERAL HOSPITAL — PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL (1904 - 1955) (1955 -)

NO.	MATRONS	NATIONALITY	DATE OF APPOINTMENT	COMPLETION OF SERVICE
1.	Ms. Margaret Poole	British	29-11-1904	
2.	Ms. Elizabeth Hair	" "	15-3-1907	
3.	Ms. Letial Archebold Ewing	" "	15-3-1910	
4.	Ms. Janet Frazer	" "	25-5-1911	
5.	Ms. Charlotte V. Isitt	" "	1-3-1915	
6.	Ms. Alice Creighton	" "	11-9-1916	
7.	Ms. Mary Jacombe	" "	11-8-1918	
8.	Ms. Martha Senior	" "	14-4-1921	
9.	Ms. Mary Jacombe	" "	1922	30-7-1923
10.	Ms. Ivy Greensmith	" "	17-7-1923	1924
11.	Ms. Martha Kay	" "	23-10-1924	1924
12.	Ms. Ada Marie Blake	" "	8-8-1925	22-10-1924
13.	Ms. Annie Baines M.B.E.	" "	6-6-1928	18-5-1945
14.	Ms. Margaret Batchelder	" "	19-11-1945	10-6-1952
15.	Ms. Denise Dane M.B.E.	" "	1-11-1952	30-9-1958
16.	Ms. Florence Grieve	" "	13-1-1959	13-1-1961
17.	Ms. Hilda V. Bowen M.B.E.	Bahamian	1-8-1961	20-5-1965
18.	Ms. Patricia Fountain	" "	21-5-1965	1-2-1968
19.	Ms. June Smith	British	1-2-1968	9-8-1970

NO.	PRINCIPAL MATRONS PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL	NATIONALITY	DATE OF APPOINTMENT	COMPLETION OF SERVICE
1.	Ms. Rene Clapton		1962	1965
2.	Ms. Hilda V. Bowen M.B.E.	Bahamian	1965	1970

CHIEF NURSING OFFICER
MINISTRY OF HEALTH

1.	Ms. Hilda V. Bowen M.B.E.	Bahamian	1970	
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PRINCIPAL NURSING OFFICERS
MINISTRY OF HEALTH

1.	Ms. Dorothy Phillips — C.N.S.	Bahamian	1972	1974
2.	Mrs. Eloise Penn — S.R.C.	"	1972	
3.	Mrs. Ironica Morris — D.N.E.	"	1970	
4.	Mrs. Dorothy Philips — P.M.H.	"	1974	

- C.N.S. — Community Nursing
 S.R.C. — Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre
 D.N.E. — Department of Nursing Education
 P.M.H. — Princess Margaret Hospital

Prepared by: H.V. BOWEN
Chief Nursing Officer, 1978

PUBLIC SERVICE LIST OF NURSING STAFF 1967

Post and Name	Date of First Appointment	Date of present Appointment	Post and Name	Date of First Appointment	Date of Present Appointment
NURSING					
PRINCIPAL MATRON					
Bowen, H. (Miss)	5.10.53	21.5.65	Simmons, D. (Miss)	8.5.67	1.7.67
			Turnquest, A. M. (Miss)	10.10.66	1.7.67
			Tynes, L. (Mrs.)	1.9.67	1.9.67
HOSPITAL MATRON					
Fountain, P. (Miss)	1.7.57	21.5.65	Watkins, G. E. (Mrs.)	7.8.67	7.8.67
			WARDMASTER (Sc.G-2)		
ASSISTANT MATRON					
Smith, J. (Miss)	10.11.55	21.5.65	Brown, L. (M)	5.3.46	1.7.63
Phillips-Davis, D.	18.7.60	1.1.67	Daniels, E. (M)	5.6.50	1.10.64
1 Vacancy			Bain, C. D.	1.11.59	1.1.66
			Hanna, R. (M)	1.12.51	1.7.65
			Newbold, H. (M)	1.8.55	1.1.67
PRINCIPAL TUTOR			Rolle, O. (M)	4.1.60	1.1.67
Knowles, M. (Mrs.)	26.2.58	1.11.61	Smith, B. (M)	1.2.54	1.1.67
			CHARGE NURSES (Sc.G-2)		
SISTER TUTOR					
Morris-Bodie, I. (Mrs.)	1.8.59	29.8.66	Albury-Butler, J. (Mrs.)	1936	1.7.63
1 Vacancy			Butler-Sweeting, V. (Mrs.)	24.3.46	9.6.60
			Darville-Neely, L. (Mrs.)	28.8.50	9.6.60
			Darling-Wells, H. (Mrs.)	5.7.44	1.3.56
NURSING SISTERS (Sc.G-3)					
Fisher-Hayward, B. (Mrs.)	7.12.56	1.12.56	Moxey-Smith, A. (Mrs.)	1.7.53	9.6.60
Watkins-Jervis, O. (Mrs.) ..	1.12.56	1.12.56	Strachan-Sands, G. (Mrs.) ..	1.8.56	9.6.60
Simpson, G. A. (Miss)	5.4.62	5.4.62	Innis, O. (Miss)	1928	9.6.60
Turnquest, B. (Miss)	2.8.60	2.8.60	Roker, A. (Miss)	1.2.50	1.9.64
Oakes-Burke, M. (Mrs.)	6.3.62	6.3.62	Deleveaux, P. (Mrs.)	25.9.50	1.1.66
Key-Elford, M. (Mrs.)	29.11.62	29.11.62	Fox, J. (Miss)	1.2.53	1.7.65
Miller-Maycock, R. (Mrs.) ..	1.8.60	1.8.60	Haven-Sands, M. (Mrs.)	1929	1.7.65
Penn-Taylor, E. (Mrs.)	11.7.60	11.7.60	Hilton, M.	5.10.38	1.7.65
Burrows-Marsh, T. (Msr.)	26.7.61	26.7.61	Smith MacDonal, I. (Mrs.)	19.9.60	1.7.65
Knowles-Poitier, L. M. (Mrs.) ..	15.1.62	15.1.62	Thompson-Moxey, P. (Mrs.) ..	2.11.53	1.7.65
Stewart, E. M. (Miss)	1.9.62	1.9.62	Burke-McKinney, E. (Mrs.) ..	24.8.59	1.1.67
Johnston, M. F. (Miss)	19.4.65	19.4.65	Carey, S.	11.3.47	1.1.67
Storr-Fisher, P. M. (Mrs.)	21.6.65	21.6.65	Cooper-Curtis, E.	1941	1.1.67
Gibson, M. (Miss)	23.6.65	23.6.65	Davis-Strachan, A.	1.1.62	1.1.67
Green, W. J. (Miss)	8.2.65	8.2.65	Fountain-Gibbs, L. (Mrs.)	1.11.53	1.1.67
Gomez, M. (Miss)	2.11.64	2.11.64	Ingraham-Pratt, P. (Mrs.)	6.5.52	1.1.67
Storr, M. (Miss)	24.9.64	1.4.65	Lockhart-Deveaux, C. (Mrs.) ..	21.1.51	1.1.67
Callaghan, B. (Miss)	7.10.65	7.10.65	Mortimer-Poitier, V. (Mrs.) ..	16.11.45	1.1.67
Clemmey, J. L. (Miss)	15.9.65	15.9.65	Munnings, O.	1937	1.1.67
Dean-Strachan, L. (Mrs.)	18.1.65	1.11.65	Nairn-Holbert, C. (Mrs.)	17.12.47	1.1.67
Duff, S. (Miss)	19.7.65	19.7.65	Pratt-Stubbs, P. (Mrs.)	1.10.48	1.1.67
Fergus, A. (Mrs.)	1.8.65	1.8.65	Sawyer-Gibson, E. (Mrs.)	1.4.38	1.1.67
Jenkins, M. (Miss)	7.10.65	7.10.65	Thompson-Sweeting, E. (Mrs.)	4.8.48	1.1.67
Kirkman, J. (Miss)	12.7.65	12.7.65	1 Vacancy		
Pitt, O. A. (Miss)	7.10.65	7.10.65	MALE NURSES (Sc.G-1)		
Prestt, J. (Miss)	24.7.59	24.7.59	Davis, L. (M)	5.3.51	2.2.54
Walkins-Godet, T. (Miss)	1.1.66	1.1.66	Pratt, C. (M)	3.9.52	1.11.55
Woods, J. N. (Miss)	24.11.65	24.11.65	Turner, V.	14.6.48	1.7.51
Bain, H. (Miss)	10.4.67	10.4.67	Davis, G. (M)	5.4.47	1.2.55
Bailey, R. H. (Miss)	16.10.67	16.10.67	Rolle, I. (M)	1.7.55	1.9.58
Cartwright, M. (Miss)	1.5.67	1.7.67	La Roda, A. (M)	4.4.59	1.12.62
Davis, S. (Miss)	11.12.67	11.12.67	Forbes, G. W.	2.8.60	8.10.63
Dean-Davis, E. (Mrs.)	16.11.66	16.3.67	Brooks, M.	4.10.61	1.12.64
Ferguson, B.	1.12.66	1.4.67	Miller, H. (M)	1.2.54	1.5.57
Gordon, N.	6.12.66	6.12.66	Simmons, H.	9.9.63	12.5.67
Hanna, S. E. (Miss)	1.7.67	1.7.67	Thompson, A.	9.9.63	12.5.67
Herbert-Mark, G. (Mrs.)	23.10.67	23.10.67	4 Vacancies		
Johnson, E. (Miss)	25.9.67	25.9.67			
Klass, C. (Mrs.)	1.1.67	1.1.67			
McCarrol, M. (Mrs.)	13.2.67	13.2.67			
Morris, M. (Miss)	1.1.67	1.1.67			

MINISTRY OF HEALTH.—(Cont'd.)

Post and Name	Date of First Appointment	Date of present Appointment	Post and Name	Date of First Appointment	Date of Present Appointment
STAFF NURSES (Sc.G-1)			Outten-Knowles, M. (Mrs.)	15.11.58	5.11.63
Fernander, D. (Mrs.)	15.11.46	1.3.51	Pratt-Deveaux, L. (Mrs.)	1.8.57	1.8.61
Pratt-Johnson, I. (Mrs.)	23.1.50	1.2.54	Rahming-McKinney, L. (Mrs.)	13.8.57	16.10.61
Bain-Astwood, P. (Mrs.)	1.3.47	1951	Bullard, H. (Mrs.)	4.5.60	10.5.65
Cummings-Edwards, O. (Mrs.)	11.7.50	1.8.54	Clarke, I. (Miss)	21.1.61	10.5.65
Ramsey-Ferguson, V. (Mrs.)	20.1.41	5.3.62	Major-Saunders, L. (Mrs.)	1.10.59	1.5.64
Sawyer-Smith, E. (Mrs.)	14.2.50	1.2.54	Bullard-Sherman, Y. (Mrs.)	24.4.61	10.5.65
Sealy, U. (Miss)	21.9.42	1.6.45	Walker-Strachan, M. (Mrs.)	31.3.59	1.5.64
Stubbs, E. (Miss)	9.10.51	1.5.56	Tynes, E. (Miss)	1.10.59	1.5.64
Edwards, R. (Miss)	1932	5.3.62	Wildgoose, V. (Miss)	4.4.59	6.4.63
Poitier-Stubbs, E. (Mrs.)	11.2.52	1.5.56	Wilson, I. P. (Miss)	2.8.60	1.12.64
Sealy, I. H. (Miss)	20.8.42	1.1.62	Thompson-Johnson, L. M. (Mrs.)	15.3.65	15.3.65
Wilson-Bain, M. (Mrs.)	5.11.42	9.4.62	Anderson, J. (Miss)	29.8.66	29.8.66
Reid, R. (Miss)	1.1.54	1.2.58	Clarke, J. (Miss)	25.10.65	25.10.65
Strachan-Hamilton, H. (Mrs.)	5.6.61	5.6.61	Clarke-Pinder, Y. (Mrs.)	1.4.60	1.12.64
Butler-Rahming, M. (Mrs.)	15.5.54	1.5.58	Deveaux-Poitier, P. (Mrs.)	15.11.58	1.12.62
Hepburn-Ferguson, C. (Mrs.)	5.1.54	1.5.58	Ferguson, S. (Miss)	2.1.61	15.12.65
Turner-Nixon, G. (Mrs.)	17.9.53	1.5.58	Spencer, V. (Miss)	27.5.66	27.5.66
Foulkes-Taylor, T. (Mrs.)	1.3.55	1.5.59	Gibson-Ashton, J. (Mrs.)	29.6.66	29.6.66
Babb-Bootle, E. (Mrs.)	1.3.53	3.10.60	Lawrence, V. P. (Miss)	1.12.65	1.12.65
Bethel-Ferguson, P. (Mrs.)	1.11.55	1.11.59	Marshall, N. S. (Miss)	1.2.66	1.2.66
Cooper-Newbold, L. (Mrs.)	29.9.54	1.9.58	Nixon, A. (Mrs.)	20.10.65	29.10.65
Curtis, S. L. (Miss)	30.10.50	1.10.54	Roberts-Pratt, I. (Mrs.)	27.9.45	1.4.51
Dean-Johnson, B. (Mrs.)	6.7.53	1.3.58	Pratt-Johnson, I. (Mrs.)	10.3.46	1.7.50
Gardiner-Ferguson, A. (Mrs.)	1.4.55	1.5.59	Rolle, M. (Mrs.)	6.9.49	1.2.55
Johnson-Knowles, R. (Mrs.)	1.2.65	1.2.65	Williams-Rolle, A. (Mrs.)	23.1.50	1.3.54
Miller-McKinney, L. (Mrs.)	12.7.43	1947	Williams, M. (Miss)	2.1.61	15.12.65
Smith-Davis, B. (Mrs.)	1.11.54	10.9.58	Armstrong, R. (Miss)	2.6.67	2.6.67
Smothers, B. L. (Miss)	16.7.62	16.7.62	Bain, N.	13.2.67	13.2.67
Thompson-Johnson, V. (Mrs.)	15.4.54	1.7.58	Basden, L. (Miss)	1.11.61	1.11.61
Wilson-Clarke, G. (Mrs.)	15.9.55	1.11.59	Beale, E. (Miss)	8.11.67	8.11.67
Hepburn-Pratt B.	10.5.54	1.4.59	Bedford, A. (Miss)	10.7.67	10.7.67
Johnson-Bethel, G. (Mrs.)	22.3.65	22.3.65	Plylock, M. E. (Miss)	11.9.67	11.9.67
Newbold Knowles, R. (Mrs.)	1.5.56	1.11.60	Campbell, M.	10.11.58	10.11.58
Nixon-Gibson, B. (Mrs.)	1.9.55	1.11.59	Clarke-Archer, F. (Mrs.)	7.8.62	1.12.66
Bannerman-Johnson, V. (Mrs.)	29.3.65	29.3.65	Colling, C. P. (Miss.)	19.6.67	19.6.67
			Harris, J. (Miss)	30.7.67	30.7.67
QUALIFIED STAFF NURSES (Sc.G-1)			Hunt, V. (Mrs.)	1.1.67	1.1.67
Rolle, M. Jr. (Miss)	10.5.54	1.7.59	Jack-Douglas, V. (Mrs.)	5.6.67	5.6.67
Smith, J. (Mrs.)	15.5.61	15.5.61	Knight, S. (Miss)	17.10.67	17.10.67
Storr-Forbes, G. (Mrs.)	1.3.56	1.2.60	Laidlow, M. (Miss)	4.9.67	4.9.67
Thompson Simon, J. (Mrs.)	15.9.56	1.10.60	McElwee, A. (Miss)	26.6.67	26.6.67
Wilson-Francis, E. (Mrs.)	15.9.55	1.11.59	Palmer, E. (Miss)	29.10.67	29.10.67
Brown, B. (Miss)	2.11.54	1.9.58	Patterson, D. A. (Mrs.)	26.9.67	26.9.67
Bullard-Gibson, V. (Mrs.)	15.5.58	1.12.62	Pindling, G. (Miss)	1.11.67	1.11.67
Bowleg-Gibson, C. (Mrs.)	13.8.57	15.8.61	Rabo, A. M. (Miss)	14.8.67	14.8.67
Curry-Taylor, L. (Mrs.)	11.3.55	1.11.59	Rae-Jones, D. (Mrs.)	27.6.67	27.6.67
Douglas, E. (Miss)	4.4.59	8.10.63	Sullivan, A. (Miss)	29.9.67	29.9.67
Duncan, V. (Miss)	10.3.46	16.4.63	Thompson, K.	26.9.67	29.9.67
Evans-Johnson, B. (Mrs.)	18.1.57	1.1.62	Weir, V. D. (Mrs.)	1.1.67	1.1.67
Farrington-Curtis, B. (Mrs.)	13.5.57	1.6.61			
Ferguson-Forbes, G. (Mrs.)	15.11.58	1.3.63	PUBLIC HEALTH & DISTRICT HEALTH (Sc.G-1)		
Forbes-Johnson, L. (Mrs.)	15.11.58	1.12.62	Johnson-Major, P. (Mrs.)	9.2.48	2.4.52
Green, L. (Miss)	15.11.58	1.12.62	Smith-Peet, M. (Mrs.)	15.2.51	1.2.55
Hanna-Bridgewater, H. (Mrs.)	1.2.57	1.3.61	Bain-Johnson, A. (Mrs.)	'1941'	10.7.61
Miller-Strachan, N. (Mrs.)	21.10.57	1.5.62	Cooper-Bethel, P. (Mrs.)	25.1.65	25.1.65
Newbold-Tucker, P. (Mrs.)	16.9.57	7.5.62	Dean-Albury, T. (Mrs.)	1.2.54	1.7.58

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Knowles-Cambridge, F. (Mrs.)	5.2.43	1.9.61	Morley, S. (Miss)	2.4.62	1.1.65
Daniels-Fernander, S. (Mrs.)	1.2.53	8.10.62	Mott-Cooper, A. (Mrs.)	1.2.63	1.2.63
Wilson-Conyers, C. (Mrs.)	4.9.53	18.4.61	O'Brien, M. (Miss)	22.12.58	1.5.64
Cooper, R. (Miss)	1950	12.7.65	Pratt, M. (Miss)	1.1.65	1.1.65
Fountain-Boulton, Z. (Mrs.)	1.2.61	2.5.66	Roberts, J.	1.10.59	1.9.62
Saunders-Dean, S. (Mrs.)	1.5.56	4.4.66	Rolle, L. M. (Miss)	2.4.62	1.5.64
6 Vacancies			Saunders, S. (Miss)	2.4.62	1.1.65
QUALIFIED NURSES OUT ISLAND (Sc.G-1)			Sears, N. (Mrs.)	1.10.61	1.5.64
Farquharson, L. (Miss)	6.4.48	15.4.52	Simmons, M. (Miss)	26.11.62	1.1.65
Albury-Williams, B. (Mrs.)	1.1.54	1.9.58	Strachan, G. (Miss)	2.4.62	1.5.64
Davis-Conliffe, E. (Mrs.)	1948	1.2.52	Thurston, P. (Miss)	4.4.60	1.5.64
Ferguson-Williams, V. (Mrs.)	2.9.50	1.11.56	Tynes-Lightbourne, R. (Mrs.)	16.4.62	1.5.64
Powell-Whitney, E. (Mrs.)	1925	1.3.57	Williams-Green, G. (Mrs.)	17.7.61	1.5.64
Rolle-King, L. (Mrs.)	13.7.51	15.2.58	Wilkinson, R. (Miss)	17.2.60	1.5.64
Turner-Munnings, C. (Mrs.)	22.2.51	1.11.55	Christian, C. E. (Miss)	24.1.66	24.1.66
Hanna-Coaklev, F. (Mrs.)	10.8.50	1.8.54	Gibson, F. (Mrs.)	9.9.63	1.11.65
Farquharson-Williams, L. (Mrs.)	29.5.51	1.11.56	Moxey, C. (Miss)	26.11.62	1.1.65
Gresham-Sicke, M. C. (Mrs.)	28.1.64	28.1.64	Rolle, M. (Miss)	2.4.62	1.11.65
Turner, E. (Miss)	10.9.48	1.7.53	Benaby, L. (Miss)	4.1.65	5.1.67
Dames, N. (Miss)	24.8.50	8.10.59	Bowe, A. (Miss)	16.7.61	5.1.67
McCartney, A. (Mrs.)	2.4.65	2.4.65	Rutler-Fisher, L. (Mrs.)	4.1.65	1.3.67
Ruddock, E. H. (Mrs.)	1.6.62	1.6.62	Clarke, M. (Miss)	4.1.65	1.3.67
Treco, M. (Mrs.)	8.12.64	7.11.66	Clarke, P. (Miss)	28.1.66	1.10.67
Trotman, P. E. (Miss)	15.10.64	15.10.64	Curry, M. (Mrs.)	4.1.65	1.2.67
Evans, V. (Miss)	27.5.58	8.10.63	Delaney, D. E. (Miss)	4.1.65	5.1.67
Anglin, C. (Miss)	10.8.65	10.8.65	Gardiner, C. (Miss)	4.1.65	5.1.67
Pennycook, M. (Miss)	14.11.65	14.11.65	Hopkins-Clear, J. (Mrs.)	2.4.62	1.2.67
Soltau, E. (Miss)	12.11.65	12.11.65	Hudson, W. (Miss)	17.7.67	17.7.67
Thompson, O. (Mrs.)	1.1.66	1.1.66	Knowles, M. (Miss)	4.1.65	1.3.67
Wells, J. G. (Miss)	8.4.63	1.12.64	Knowles, P. (Miss)	4.1.65	1.3.67
Dunlap, L. (Miss)	1.1.67	1.1.67	Lewis, E. (Miss)	4.1.65	5.1.67
9 Vacancies			Mackey, I. (Miss)	4.1.65	1.4.67
QUALIFIED CLINICAL NURSES (Sc. G)			Maycock, I. (Miss)	4.1.65	1.4.67
Antoine, M. (Mrs.)	2.4.62	1.5.64	Johnson-McPhee E. (Mrs.)	12.10.65	5.1.67
Bennets, V. (Miss)	27.11.62	1.1.65	Moncur, Z. (Miss)	1.6.64	1.5.67
Brathwaite, R. (Miss)	26.11.62	1.5.65	Munroe, P. (Miss)	4.1.65	5.1.67
Butler-Woods, E. (Mrs.)	1.9.62	1.9.62	Nairn-Bain, B. (Mrs.)	1.5.65	1.12.66
Chisholm, C. (Miss)	27.11.62	1.3.65	Pratt, E. M. (Miss)	4.1.65	5.1.67
Clarke-Bowe, M. (Mrs.)	27.2.63	1.1.65	Richardson, B. (Miss)	4.1.65	1.8.67
Claere, M. (Miss)	27.11.62	1.1.65	Robins, F. (Miss)	15.4.63	5.1.67
Cooper, D. (Miss)	27.11.62	1.1.65	Rolle, E. (Miss)	24.6.64	5.1.67
Dean, D. M. (Miss)	1.10.61	1.5.64	Sawyer, P. (Miss)	3.3.62	5.1.67
Ferguson-Butler, G. (Mrs.)	2.4.62	1.5.64	Smith, G. (Miss)	1.5.61	5.1.67
Forbes, I. (Miss)	1.9.62	1.9.62	Smith, P. (Miss)	6.8.64	5.1.67
Gibson-Lopez, E. (Mrs.)	2.4.62	1.5.64	Strachan-Saunders, M. (Mrs.)	1.7.61	1.6.67
Grant-Seymour, E. (Mrs.)	1.9.62	1.9.62	Stubbs, V. (Miss)	4.1.65	5.1.67
Hall, B. L. (Miss)	27.11.62	1.1.65	Stubbs, E. (Mrs.)	15.12.58	5.1.67
Hanna, E. (Miss)	2.4.62	1.5.64	Thompson, L. (Miss)	26.11.62	5.1.67
Hanna, P. (Miss)	27.11.62	1.5.65	Wells, V. (Miss)	4.1.65	5.1.67
Hunt, B. (Miss)	2.4.62	1.5.64	Wells, T. (Miss)	25.4.67	25.4.67
Huyler, T. (Miss)	2.4.62	1.5.64	Young, T. (Mrs.)	16.7.63	5.1.67
Kelly, F. (Miss)	26.11.62	1.5.65	MAXIMUM SECURITY ATTD.	6 Vacancies	
Kemp, M. (Miss)	2.4.62	1.5.64	Farrington, F.	27.1.67	6.2.67
Major, N. (Miss)	26.11.62	1.5.65	Higgins, C.	1.12.63	6.2.67
McKenzie, L. (Miss)	26.11.62	1.1.65	Kemp, O.	29.5.67	6.2.67
Miller, G. (Miss)	2.4.62	1.5.64	McPhee, N.	8.2.67	13.2.67
			Penn, J.	6.2.67	6.2.67
			Pennerman, A.	30.1.67	6.2.67
			Rolle, W.	8.2.65	6.2.67
			Russell, D.	12.9.66	6.2.67

NURSING SISTERS BAHAMAS GENERAL HOSPITAL

Mrs. Batchelder -	Matron Bahamas General Hospital Contract expires 13 June, 1952
Phyllis Aldridge, SRN, SCM -	Assistant Matron Bahamas General Hospital 17 June, 1950 on contract 19 August, 1953 contract renewed for four (4) years January 1956 took a Sister Tutor's duties 8 September, 1957 contract renewed for three (3) years 1 October, 1958 appointed Acting Matron on retirement of D.M. Dames 24 July, 1956, Acting Matron
Mary Irene Phillips, SRN, SCM - S.T. Diploma, London	Sister Tutor - 3 October, 1950 to 4 October, 1953 on contract
Ms. Patricia Keefe Jones - SRC, SCM	Theatre Sister - 4 May, 1951 to 3 May, 1954
Ms. Eileen O'Connell, SRN, SCM -	Contract 26 October, 1951 to 25 October, 1954
Mary Osborne Hughes-Lesle - SRC, SCM	Contract 22 October, 1952 to 30 June, 1956 Nursing Sister, Prospect and Maternity Wards. Reappointed in August 1957 - Public Health Supervisor - to 1 November, 1958 - Succeeded Mrs. Alice Hill-Jones

SISTER NIGHT DUTY AND DAYS OFF 1953

AREA	NAME OF OFFICER	ON DUTY	OFF DUTY
Prospect	Sister Aldridge	21 May	18 June
Prospect	Sister Burke	18 May	2 July
Prospect	Sister Kufe	16 July	30 July
Prospect	Sister Connel	2 July	16 July
Prospect	Sister Mould	13 Aug 5 Nov	13 Sept 9 Nov
Prospect	Sister Hughes	13 Aug	27 Aug
Prospect	Sister Lee	27 Aug 19 Nov	10 Aug 2 Dec
Prospect	Sister Matthews	10 Sept 3 Dec	24 Sept 17 Dec

1954 NIGHT DUTY (cont)

AREA	NAME OF OFFICER	ON DUTY	OFF DUTY
Prospect	Sister V. Lee	11 March 17 June 23 Sept 30 Dec	25 March 10 July 7 Oct, 13 Jan
Prospect	Sister Matthews	25 March 18 July 7 Oct,	8 April 15 July 11 Oct
Prospect	Sister Bowen	8 April 15 July 21 Oct,	22 April 29 July 4 Nov

NIGHT DUTY 1955 & 1956

AREA	NAME OF OFFICER	ON DUTY	OFF DUTY
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Ogilvic	26 Feb 16 Jun 8 Sept	10 Mar 30 Jun 22 Sept
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Ridley	7 Apr 14 Jul 8 Sept 20 Oct	21 Apr 28 Jul 22 Sept 3 Nov
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Goldsmith	13 Jan 5 May 25 Aug 17 Nov	17 Jan 19 May 8 Sept 18 Dec
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Smith	15 Dec	29 Dec
(1956) Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister S. Aldridge	14 Jun	26 Jun

1956 NIGHT DUTY

AREA	NAME OF OFFICER	ON DUTY	OFF DUTY
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Hugh-hisle	5 April	19 April
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Ogilvic	12 Jan 23 Mar 12 Jul	26 Jan 5 April 26 Jul
Prince Margaret Hospital	Sister Ridley	26 Jan 19 Apr 9 Aug 15 Nov	9 Feb 3 May 23 Aug 29 Nov
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Goldsmith	19 Feb 3 May 13 Aug	8 Mar 17 May 6 Sept
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Smith	9 Feb 17 May 20 Sept	25 Feb 31 May 4 Oct

NIGHT DUTY (1957)

AREA	NAME OF OFFICER	ON DUTY	OFF DUTY
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Aldridge		
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Ogilric	7 Mar 22 Aug	21 Mar 5 Sept
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Ridley	2 May 31 Oct	16 May 14 Nov
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Goldsmith	16 May 19 Sept	30 May 3 Oct
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Smith	10 Jan 13 Jun	26 Jan 27 Jun
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Mary Freeze	21 Mar 5 Sept	4 April 19 Sept
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Muriel Freeze	4 Apr 3 Oct	18 Apr 17 Oct

NIGHT DUTY 1958 (contd)

AREA	NAME OF OFFICER	ON DUTY	OFF DUTY
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Allen	28 Nov	1 Dec
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister H. Bowen	9 Jan	27 Jan
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister. T. Smith	17 April	1 May
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Mary Freeze	6 March 21 Aug 31 Oct	10 March 4 Sept 13 Nov
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Muriel Freeze	20 Mar 7 Aug	3 April 21 Aug
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister S. Stubbs	18 May 11 Dec	29 May 25 Dec

NIGHT DUTY 1958 (contd)

AREA	NAME OF OFFICER	ON DUTY	OFF DUTY
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Mary Warning	3 Sept	17 Sept
<u>(1959)</u>			
Princess Margaret Hospital	Matron Grieve		
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Aldridge		
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Sherman		
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Bowen	19 Mar	2 April
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Bakewell	5 Mar	19 Mar
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Mary Freeze	22 Jan	5 Feb
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Nickie Freeze		
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Sheila Stubbs	30 Apr	3 May

NIGHT DUTY 1959 (contd)

AREA	NAME OF OFFICER	ON DUTY	OFF DUTY
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sis. Patricia Fountain	5 Feb 25 Jun 12 Nov	19 Feb 8 Jul 26 Nov
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Lucille Capron	25 Dec 11 Jun 24 Dec	8 Jan 25 Jun
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Mary Howse	2 Apr 6 Aug	15 Apr 20 Aug
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister H. Allen	19 Feb 23 Jul 28 Oct 10 Dec	5 Mar 6 Aug 24 Dec
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Doreen Dawy	8 Jan 28 May	5 Feb 19 Jun
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister Hitchen	9 Jul	28 Jul
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister June Smith	16 Apr	26 Apr
Princess Margaret Hospital	Sister E. Hughes	14 Apr	27 Apr

MATRONS APPOINTED



MATRON MARGRET BATCHELDER
1945 - 1952



MATRON DANE 1952 - 1958

Visit of Princess Margaret on the Children's Ward. Miss Denese Dane, M.B.E., nurse on side is Nurse Cybil Carey, nurse at Governor's Harbour until her death.

SISTER BOWEN NAMED MATRON



MATRON HILDA BOWEN
1961 - 1965

Bahamian nursing sister Hilda Bowen has been appointed Matron of the Princess Margaret Hospital, it was learned today. Her appointment follows the departure of Matron F. Grieve, whose contract expired in January.

Matron Bowen, daughter of Mr. Irvin W. Bowen and the late Mrs. Justina Bowen of Cunningham Lane, received her early education at the Government High School. In 1946 she became the first Bahamian to study nursing in the United Kingdom. Her general training was received at Farnborough Hospital, Kent.

CERTIFICATES

A State Registered Nurse, Matron Bowen also holds a State Certificate in Midwifery, and a Certificate and Diploma in Ophthalmic Nursing from Morefields Eye Hospital in London.

In 1953 she returned to Nassau, and was the first Bahamian nursing sister on the staff of the Princess Margaret Hospital.

In 1956 Sister Bowen was awarded a Commonwealth and Development Scholarship to take a special course in Hospital Administration (Nursing) at the Royal College of Nursing, London.

In 1957, she returned to Nassau after gaining the

Certificate of Hospital Administration (Nursing) awarded by the College, and worked as senior nursing sister at the Princess Margaret Hospital.

SENT ABROAD

Sister Bowen was appointed Assistant Matron in 1959, before receiving her present appointment. Later she will be sent abroad for one year's special training.

It is understood that the new post of Principal Matron has been created to supervise the entire nursing service of the Bahamas.

For the time being, Matron Bowen will also fill the post of Acting Principal Matron.



FIRST BAHAMIAN MATRON — Miss Hilda Bowen (centre) with her grand nephew Devron Pinder, 6, and Nurse Constance Conery of the Princess Margaret Hospital stand before a photograph of Miss Bowen, which was unveiled Monday by young Devron. Miss Bowen was the hospital's first Bahamian Matron. (Photo: Lynden Smith).



MISS PATRICIA FOUNTAIN, formerly Assistant Matron of the Princess Margaret Hospital, was officially confirmed as Matron of the Hospital yesterday. She fills the position that Miss Hilda Bowen held until she became Principal Matron on May 28.

Miss Fountain (left) is the daughter of Mrs. Margaret Fountain and the late Mr. Arthur Fountain of Nassau.

After graduating from the Government High School, Miss Fountain left Nassau in 1947 to study nursing in the U.K. She received three years general training in Farnborough, Kent, and received her midwifery training at Elsie Inglis Hospital in Edinburgh.

Post graduate work for Miss Fountain included time at the Hospital for Sick Children at Great Ormond Street, London, where she received the Best Practical Nurse Award. She obtained the British Tuberculosis Association Certificate at Pinewood Hospital, Wokingham, Berkshire.

In 1956 Miss Fountain returned to Nassau to work at the Princess Margaret Hospital.

In July 1957 she became nursing sister in charge of the children's ward; and Assistant Matron in August 1961.

In September 1961 she received Government Scholarship for one year's study of nursing administration at the



Royal College of Nursing, London. After this year of study Miss Fountain returned to Nassau.

Miss Fountain's previous position as Assistant Matron is being filled by **MISS JUNE SMITH**, formerly a nursing sister at the Geriatric Hospital.

1965 - 1968

MISS SMITH, (right) who is from Horsham, Sussex, received her general training in Sussex and her midwifery training at Central Middlesex Hospital and Fulham Maternity Hospital in London.

She received the British Tuberculosis Association Certificate at King Edward VII Sanatorium in Midhurst, Sussex, where she did her post graduate training.

Miss Smith came to the Princess Margaret Hospital in November, 1955 and spent her first five years as nursing sister in charge of Prospect Hospital.

In September 1963 she was appointed Acting Assistant Matron for one year during the absence of Miss Fountain who was studying nursing administration in London.

Two Bahamian women now hold the two top posts in the Bahamian nursing service.

1968 - 1970



MRS. DOROTHY DAVIS-PHILLIPS, 1972 - 1974

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| Pupil Teacher | - Catholic School 1949 |
| Shorthand Typist | - Amorny Company 1950-1951 |
| Nurse Training | - West London Hospital London, England 1951-1954 |
| Midwifery | - Simpsons Memorial Hospital Edinburgh, Scotland 1954-1955 |
| Tropical Diseases Nursing | - University College Hospital 1955 |
| Present Position | - Deputy Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health |

HISTORY OF MATRON'S POST

The most senior nursing post in the Bahamas was that of the Matron. In 1955 the Bahamas General Hospital was renamed Princess Margaret Hospital.

In 1962 the first Bahamian was appointed Hospital Matron. A more senior post in nursing was created, known as Principal Matron.

Miss Renee Clapton a British Matron was appointed as Principal Matron. She had the overall responsibility for nursing in the Bahamas, while the Bahamian Hospital Matron, Hilda Bowen, while the hospital matron was responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Princess Margaret Hospital.

In 1965, Miss Clapton contract expired and Miss Hilda Bowen was appointed as Principal Matron.

The post of Principal Matron was renamed to Chief Nursing Officer, Ministry of Health in 1970. Persons holding the post was responsible for the day-to-day administration of the Princess Margaret Hospital, Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre, Community Nursing Service and the Department of Nursing Education became known as Principal Nursing Officers.

In 1980 the title of Chief Nursing Officer was renamed Director of Nursing. This post was held by Miss Hilda Bowen, until 1983 when Mrs. Ironica Morris (nee Bodie) was appointed.



Miss Rene Clapton, First Principal Matron with Second Principal Matron Hilda Bowen.



IRONICA BAKER-MORRIS nee BODIE

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Date of Birth:
Age:
Nationality:
Marital Status:
No. of Children:

May 25, 1934
57 years
Bahamian
Married
three (3)

ACADEMIC EDUCATION:

1941 - 1943
1943 - 1945
1945 - 1949

1950 - 1951

1977
1978

Southern Primary School
Southern Senior School
St. Francis Xaviers Academy; High School Diploma; Senior Cambridge School Certificate
Bahamas Teacher's Training College — Certificate of Associate of College of Praeceptors.
Bachelor Degree in Nursing
Master in Education at University of Miami

NURSING SISTERS BAHAMAS GENERAL HOSPITAL



Bahamas General Hospital Pin.



Sisters during Matron Batchelder Era.



SISTER ALDRIDGE
Following Matron Batchelder's Era, Senior Sister also responsible for nurse training prior to the beginning of PTS training in 1958.



Mrs. Stella Amoury nee Watson,
served as Nursing Sister for short period at B.G.H.

BAHAMIAN APPOINTED NURSING SISTERS 1953 - 1967 EMPLOYED BY THE BOARD OF HEALTH

NAMES	DATE OF FIRST APPOINTMENT	DATE OF PRESENT APPOINTMENT
Watkins-Jervis, O. (Mrs.)	1.12.56	1.12.56
Miller-Maycock, R. (Mrs.)	29.11.62	29.11.62
Knowles-Poitier, L.M. (Mrs.)	15.1.62	15.1.62
Stewart, E. M. (Miss)	1.9.62	1.9.62
Green, W.J. (Miss)	8.2.65	8.2.65
Gomez, M. (Miss)	2.11.64	2.11.64
Storr, M. (Miss)	24.9.64	1.4.65
Dean-Strachan, L. (Mrs.)	18.1.65	1.11.65
Walkins-Godet, T. (Miss)	1.1.66	1.1.66
Bain, H. (Miss)	10.4.67	10.4.67
Bailey, R. H. (Miss)	16.10.67	16.10.67
Cartwright Davis, M. (Miss)	1.5.67	1.7.67
Davis, S. (Miss)	11.12.67	11.12.67
Dean-Davis, E. (Mrs.)	16.11.66	16.3.67
Ferguson, B.	1.12.66	1.4.67
Hanna, S. E. (Miss)	1.7.67	1.7.67
Johnson, E. (Miss)	25.9.67	25.9.67
Klass, C. (Mrs.)	1.1.67	1.1.67
Simmons, D. (Miss)	8.5.67	1.7.67
Turnquest, A.M. (Miss)	10.10.66	1.7.67
Tynes, L. (Mrs.)	1.9.67	1.9.67



**Mary Bakewell,
Midwifery Tutor.
1953-1959.**



**MRS. OLIVIA ELIZABETH WATKINS
NEE JERVIS O.B.E. SRN**

S.C.M Certificate of Efficiency
Tropical Nursing, Certificate of
Efficiency Operation Theatre
Technique, Queens Institute of
District Nursing Certificate
Certificate Nursing Administration
(Hospital)

EMPLOYMENT HISTORY

August 1970
September 1971
November 1971
January 1973
January 1980
1981
1983
1986

Acting Principal Nursing Officer, Princess Margaret Hospital
Appointed to act as Chief Nursing Officer
Resumed duty as Acting Principal Nursing Officer
Appointed Assistant Superintendent of Prisons
Award O.B.E. Queen New Year's Honours
Seconded to the Ministry of Labour and appointed Chief Labour Officer
Appointed Assistant Director of Labour
Retired

RUTH R. MILLAR NEE MAYCOCK

Date of Birth: December 30, 1933
Address: P.O. Box 1190
Nassau, Bahamas

Present Positions:
(a) Substantive Appointment: Managing Director
The Bahamas Mortgage Corporation
(b) Special Assignments:
(i) Chairperson
The Working Party on The Proposed National Health
(ii) Chairperson
Health Infrastructure Development Committee of The
National Insurance Board



LULA MAYBETH KNOWLES NEE POITIER

Trained as a Nurse in Great Britain from 1954 to 1961.
During this time completed training in General Nursing, Midwifery and Ophthalmic
Nursing.
In 1962 was appointed Nursing Sister in charge of the Eye Wing at the Princess Mar-
garet Hospital.
In 1969 pursued a one (1) year course in Nursing Administration at the University of
the West Indies, Jamaica and on completion of this course was assigned to Nursing
Administrative duties at the Princess Margaret Hospital.

In 1971 was promoted to the post of Senior Nursing Officer and transferred to the Rand Memorial Hospital in 1973 in
charge of the Nursing Service.

Promoted to Principal Nursing Officer in 1984 and in 1986 to the present as a member of the Health Services Manage-
ment Committee of Grand Bahama, have been responsible for administering not only the Hospital Nursing Service but
the Community Nursing Service as well.

BEVERLY FORD NEE TURNQUEST

Date of Birth: October 9, 1934
 Present Position: Deputy Director of Nursing
 Nationality: Bahamian
 Education: Cambridge Junior Certificate 1951
 Cambridge Senior Certificate 1952
 Areas of Special Competence - General Nursing
 Nursing Administration



SYLVIA ELIZABETH DAVIS

Trained in the Bahamas; Nurse Midwife 1956-1959.

Pursued further studies in United Kingdom 1960-1967 and completed the following:

State Registered Nurse
 State Certified Midwife I & II
 Orthopaedic Nursing
 First Line Management

Promoted Nursing Sister 1967 - Female Surgical Ward, Princess Margaret Hospital.
 Nursing Sister - Accident/Emergency Room, Out Patient Department 1967-1972.
 Promoted Nursing Officer Grade I 1972 - Rand Memorial Hospital.
 1973 pursued Advance Nursing Administration, Royal College of Nursing U.K. one (1) year.
 Promoted Senior Nursing Officer 1974 - Rand Memorial Hospital.
 Supervisor in all areas of Hospitals - Princess Margaret Hospital and Rand Memorial Hospital.

MISS MYRTLE GOMEZ

2 November, 1964	- 1st appointed to Public Service
September, 1967	- One year Course in Nursing Administration at U.W.I.
2 December, 1968	- Promotion Tutor
15-24 June, 1970	- Six Weeks course for Nursing Educators on Family Centred Nursing - Barbados
7 July, 1972 - June 1, 1973	- Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing from University of Boston
10 September, 1973	- Resigned from the Public Service.

MIRIAM STORR S.R.N., R.M., H.V., Cas & O.P.D. Cert., Theatre Cert.,

Date of Birth: 10th September, 1934 - Arthur's Town, Cat Island, Bahamas
 Teacher: 1948-1957 Under Principals, Mr. G.B. Pinder and Mr. Rodney E. Bain, Ms. M. L. Stubbs Asst. Teacher now deceased.



LUCILLE MARGARITA PAYNE nee CAPRON



S.R.N., S.C.M. Certificate Psychiatry
 Fifth daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Charles Capron
 Dowdeswell Street, Nassau
 Date of birth: March 17, 1931
 Educated at Eastern Public School and Donald Davis Evening Institute.
 Public Teacher — 1947-1949
 Teachers College — 1949-1951
 Feb. 1952 — Bethel Green General Hospital.
 1957 — Midwifery Scotland
 Feb. 1958-1961 — Nursing Sister, Bahamas
 Reappointed No. II — 1986. Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre.



ESMERALDA RUTHERFORD NEE JOHNSON

Born: May 19, 1940 - Nassau, Bahamas
 Marital Status: Divorced; 3 children
 Residence: Own home
 Health: No major illnesses
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 Sands Lane
 Nassau, Bahamas
 Telephone: (809) 325-5551

EDUCATION:

1974-1975
 1951-1957

BSC - Florida International University, Miami, Florida
 Level 2 - Government High School, Nassau, Bahamas, with University of Cambridge (UK), Overseas Syndicate Examination.

MS. JOAN W. GREENE-BOWE

Born in Mangrove Cay, Andros, Bahamas to the late John Greene and Edith Greene on 7th November, 1937. She was educated at Mangrove Cay Public School and Eastern Senior School, Nassau.

Professional Education:

The Royal Hospital School of Nursing, Richmond Surrey, SRN St. Andrew's Hospital Midwifery School, Bow East London, Part 1 - Midwifery. King Edward VII Hospital Midwifery School - Windsor, Part II Midwifery. The Royal College of Nursing, London, - Middle Management. Kingston Upon Thames Hospital, Kingston-upon-Thames Surrey, Operating Theatre Techniques. The Royal College of Nursing, Edinburgh, Scotland, Top Management.

Experience:

In 1965 she returned home and joined the Ministry of Health, and worked in all areas of the Ministry of Health, at Princess Margaret Hospital, Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre, and Rand Memorial Hospital; in various supervisory and managerial positions, from Nursing Sister to Senior Nursing Officer.

In 1973, she joined the National Insurance Board as a District Supervisor, attached to Personnel Department assisting with the training of staff, prior to the implementation of National Insurance Act.

She established the Freeport Local Office of National Insurance Board. Prior to the National Insurance Act coming into force and managing it the first two (2) years of operation.

(Implementing the National Insurance Act in Grand Bahama).

In 1975, she returned to headquarters in Nassau and was appointed Acting Personnel Officer of the National Insurance Board. In 1979, she joined Wilbur Ltd. in Freeport, Grand Bahama and was appointed Executive Manager with responsibility for managing Cove House Condominium and Harbour House.

In 1984, she returned to her first love "Nursing", where she enjoys that one on one as a Private Duty Nurse to the present.



CARLOTTA ZINDA KLASS



Date of Birth: 10th December, 1938

Elders child of four and only daughter born to the late Christopher William Johnson, of Staniard Creek, Andros and Winfred Leonora Johnson nee Roberts of San Salvador.

Carlotta is married to George Nestor Klass of Berbice, Guyana and together they have two married sons, James William and Christopher Elwood Alan, both of whom reside in England.

Employed with the Ministry of Health 24 years from January 1967.

Held acting position of Senior Nursing Officer in Freeport, Grand Bahama for Community Health Services and in New Providence.

Presently - The area supervisor for Eastern District Clinics. Has worked as Assistant to Principal Nursing Officer Community Health Services Coordinated the highest Level of Post Basic Training - Community Health Bahamas.



Charge Nurses and Ward Masters, Joyce Grant Simmons, Olive Innis, other Wardens and Charge Nurses were Michael Martinborough, Hazel Darling nee Wells, Carl Nottage, Robert Smith and Ronald Hanna, not included in photo.



MRS. EDWIN TAYLOR

Mrs. Edwin Taylor served as Public Health Nursing Supervisor, New Providence and Freeport.

THE LONGEST SERVING RECRUITED NURSING SISTER/NO. II

Morfydd McCarroll nee Rowland born Dec. 2, 1944 in Algreen West, Wales, was educated at Howell's School Cardiff commenced nursing training at St. George's Hospital London after completing her State Registered Nurse, one year as a Staff Nurse, first part midwifery at Glossop Terrace Cardiff, Wales, and second part at Paddington General London.

Employed as a Staff Nurse at St. Stephen's Hospital before coming to Nassau in November 1959 as a Nursing Sister on a three year contract to the Princess Margaret Hospital Nassau, worked in many different departments at the Hospital.

She married Dr. Jason McCarroll in June, 1962, she then rejoined the Hospital as a part time Nursing Officer where she remains until now. The McCarrolls have three sons.



SITES OF NURSE TRAINING CLASSROOM/SCHOOLS

A designated area in the Bahamas General Hospital Compound was the location for the ad hoc classroom training of the probationer. The basement of the Bahamas General Hospital and Princess Margaret Hospital (now the Rand Laboratory and Mortuary) was a known classroom site.

The Dane's Nurses Home was the location of the First School of Nursing in 1958. This site housed two classrooms, a livery and office space for staff. Upstairs was used as a nurses residence. Practical facilities were located in the Bain's Nurses Home.

In 1971, the old post office building on Sands Road was occupied as the Department of Nursing Education.





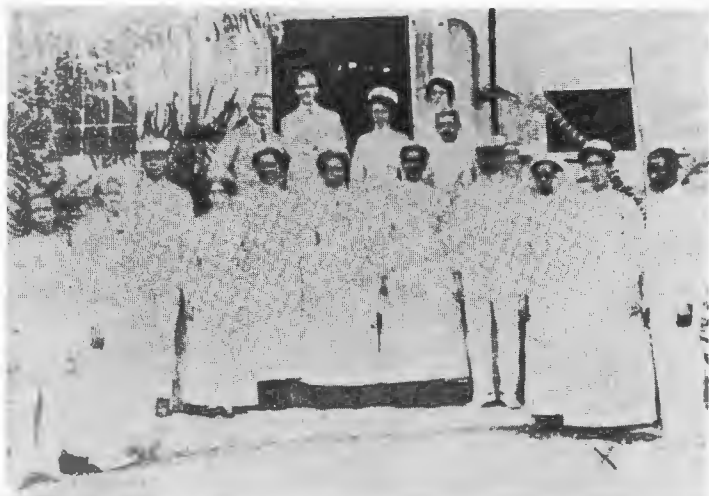
NURSE MARLETTA RAHMING presents a gift from the nurses at the Princess Margaret Hospital to Nursing Sister Hilda Bowen at a farewell party given in Sister Bowen's honour by the nurses last night. The party was held at the nurses' classroom at the hospital. Gifts were given to Sister Bowen by Dr. Steele-Perkins and the nursing staff. Sister Bowen, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ervin Bowen of Cunningham Lane, will leave Nassau for New York on Sunday. From New York she will sail aboard the "Coronia" for England, where she will take a nine-month Nurses Administration Hospital course at the Royal College of Nurses, London. The study-leave-course is given especially for Nursing Sisters. Pictured sitting from left to right: Matron Denise Dane, Sister Phyllis Aldridge and Sister Mary Freeze. (1950)



THE BAHAMAS SCHOOL OF NURSING, 1987.

NURSING EDUCATION DEVELOPMENTS

Some organized form of Nursing training in The Bahamas most likely began with the establishment of the Hospital Act of 1809. Trainees prior to 1958 were called probationers and were trained under an apprenticeship system.



First trainees of Bahamas General Hospital in 1912, Nassau, Bahamas.

Candidates were interviewed and selected by Matron and were indentured they had to sign a contract on completion of a three month trial period with commissioners persons responsible for the operation of the health services Nursing trainees had to be declared medically fit with satisfactory references prior to entering. They were sent immediately to the wards with ad hoc classes and were taught by the Matron or a senior tutor.

In 1958 the first Preliminary Training Nursing School began. This was an organized Form of training with the beginning of an intake of groups of students.

Students still had to be indentured they had to be medically fit with good references but were now having organized classroom and clinical schedules. They were, however, a part of the manpower work force for the hospital and had to do night duty as well. The Matron allocated students to their various areas and had full responsibility for their schedules.

In 1962, the Clinical Nursing Programme was introduced. This type of training focused on preparing candidates who could not meet the criteria for entrance into the



P.M.H. Nurses obtain concession 3-year training in Nassau and 1 year in U.K. Pictured: Tutor Monica Knowles, Matron Hilda Bowen, Margaret Thompson, Irene Cooper, Rosa Mae Godet, Cleopatra Ferguson, Emily King and Morris Brooks.

Registered Nurse programme and it prepared the pupil to provide basic nursing care.

In the mid sixties the Introductory Block System of training was introduced. These students had one year full student status and during this time were not a part of the full time work force of the health service. The School of Nursing Principal Tutor now had full responsibility of the day-to-day administration of nursing education.

The Princess Margaret Hospital now recognized as a Training Institution by the General Nursing Council for England and Wales.

THE NURSING COUNCIL COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS PURPOSE AND FUNCTIONS 1972 — 1974

The Nursing Council of the Commonwealth of the Bahamas was established under the Nurses and Midwives Act 1971.

The general duty of the Council is to protect the public in particular,

- (1) by the supervision and improvement of Nursing Education practise
- (2) by the conduct of examiners for nurses, midwives and clinical nurses
- (3) by keeping of the Registers and a Roll of qualified nurses, midwives and clinical nurses
- (4) by taking disciplinary action when required in cases of convictions or misconduct.

The training for the admission of nurses, midwives and clinical nurses to the Registers and Roll maintained by the Council is required by law.

- i.e. (a) Three year Basic Nurse Education for the General Register.
 (b) One year post basic Midwifery training for the Register of Midwives.
 (c) Eighteen months course for the Roll of trained clinical nurses.

In addition, training institutions must be approved by the Council. The Council also draws up the Syllabuses of subjects for examination, lay down requirements relating to minimum age and educational standards of entry to training programmes and are responsible for the conduct of the examinations.

All rules and regulations by the Council must first receive the approval of the Minister of Health. When such approval has been received the rules and regulations must be passed by the House of Parliament to become law.

As a Statutory Body set up by Act of Parliament the Council has its duties clearly prescribed within the Act which set it up and amended from time to time. It is bound by law to carry out such duties, equally it is debarred by law from taking action on matters that do not come within the duties specified by Parliament.

For example matters relating to salaries, condition of service, recruitment and employment of nurses cannot be dealt with by the Council, although the Council can express their views on such questions. They take into account all aspects of the nursing picture when forming decisions but they have no jurisdiction over any matters other than those laid down in the Nurses and Midwives Act. Any alteration in the fundamental duties of the Council can be brought about only by amending the legislation.

Throughout all their activities the continual aim of the Council is to establish and maintain a standard of nurse

education in the Commonwealth of the Bahamas which will produce a nurse, midwife and clinical nurse capable not only of undertaking the nursing care of her patient but also of encouraging her patient back to full health and encouraging the nurse to teach promotion of health and the prevention of sickness to those she comes in contact.

However, the responsibility for maintaining the standard of nursing and upholding the status of the nursing profession lies not only with the Nursing Council but with every Registered Nurse, every Registered Midwife and every Enrolled Trained Clinical Nurse in the Commonwealth of the Bahamas.

Thus all together we can build the nursing profession to help and provide the best health care for the citizens of our Commonwealth of the Bahamas they so rightly deserve.

Best wishes to all for the years ahead.

HILDA V. BOWEN, M.B.E.
Chairman
Nursing Council

MEMBERS OF THE NURSING COUNCIL
COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS



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Chairman



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Mrs. Magie Rose
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Mrs. Ylma Thompson



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Mrs. Eloise Jean



Mrs. Sheila Francis
Office Secretary



A NEW SEAL for the Commonwealth of the Bahamas Nursing Council has been designed by Nurse Dorothy Morris. She is pictured above right with Miss Hilda Bowen, Chairman of the Nursing Council displaying other designs she submitted. The seal pictured at lower left shows two hands holding a conch shell which is topped off by a flame.

Ms. Dorothy Morris designed the seal for the Nursing Council, was approved by the Honourable Minister of Health, Mr. Loftus Roker, Member of Parliament. Registration Certificates were signed by the Chairperson and Registrar of the Council and sealed with the seal of the Council.



No. 12 of 1971

An Act to provide for control of the training and practice of nurses, clinical nurses and midwives, for the registration of nurses and midwives and the enrolment of clinical nurses; to repeal The Midwives Act; and for matters incidental to or connected with the matters aforesaid.

[Assented to 17th June, 1971]

BE it enacted by The Queen's Most Excellent Majesty, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate and the House of Assembly of the Commonwealth of The Bahama Islands, and by the authority of the same, as follows:—

1. This Act may be cited as The Nurses and Midwives Act, 1971, and shall come into operation on a day to be appointed by the Minister by notice published in the *Gazette*.

Short title and commencement

2.—(1) In This Act —

Interpretation.

“the Council” means the Nursing Council established under section 3;

“mental nurse” means a nurse trained in the nursing care of persons suffering from mental illness;

“nurse” includes mental nurse;

“the register” means —

- (a) in relation to nurses, the Register of Nurses; and
- (b) in relation to midwives, the Register of Midwives, specified in section 9;

“the Registrar” means the Registrar appointed under section 5;

“the roll” means the Roll of Clinical Nurses specified in section 10.

(2) References in this Act to a section are, unless the contrary intention appears, references to a section of this Act, and references in a section to a subsection are, unless the contrary intention appears, references to a subsection of that section.

Establishment of Nursing Council.

3.—(1) There shall be established for the purposes of this Act a body to be called the Nursing Council.

First Schedule.

(2) The provisions of the First Schedule shall have effect as to the constitution of the Council and otherwise in relation thereto.

Powers of the Council.

4. The Council shall have power to control the training and practice of nurses, clinical nurses and midwives, to register nurses and midwives and to enrol clinical nurses.

Appointment of Registrar and other officers, servants and agents.

5. The Council may appoint and employ at such remuneration and on such terms and conditions as it thinks fit a Registrar and such other officers, servants and agents as it thinks necessary for the proper carrying out of the provisions of this Act.

Provided that no salary in excess of three thousand dollars shall be assigned to any post without the prior approval of the Minister.

Funds of the Council.

6. The funds of the Council shall consist of such moneys as may from time to time be placed at its disposal for the purposes of this Act by the Legislature, and such other moneys as may lawfully be paid to the Council.

Accounts and audit.

7. The Council shall keep proper accounts of its receipts, payments, assets and liabilities, and such accounts shall be audited annually by an auditor appointed in each year by the Council with the approval of the Minister.

Annual Reports and Estimates.

8.—(1) The Council shall in each year prepare and submit to the Minister on or before the 31st day of March a report of its proceedings during the twelve months ending on the 31st day of December in the preceding year, including a statement of its accounts audited in accordance with section 7.

(2) The Council shall, on or before the 31st day of August in each year, submit to the Minister for approval its estimates of revenue and expenditure in respect of the twelve-month period commencing on the 1st day of January next following.

Registration of nurses and midwives.

9.—(1) The Council shall cause the Registrar to keep in such form as it may from time to time determine —

- (a) a register, to be known as the Register of Nurses, in which shall be entered the name and other prescribed particulars of every person registered as a nurse; and
- (b) a register, to be known as the Register of Midwives, in which shall be entered the name and other prescribed particulars of every person registered as a midwife.

(2) The Register of Nurses and the Register of Midwives shall be open to inspection by any member of the public at all reasonable times, and a copy of each register shall be published in the *Gazette* by the Registrar at such times as may be prescribed.

(3) Every person who immediately before the commencement of this Act was listed as a nurse in the official list kept by the Minister of nurses practising in The Bahama Islands shall be deemed at the commencement of this Act to be registered as a nurse under this Act, and the Registrar shall as soon as may be after the Commencement of this Act enter the name and other prescribed particulars of such person in the Register of Nurses.

(4) Every person who immediately before the commencement of this Act was registered as a midwife under The Midwives Act (now repealed) shall be deemed at the commencement of this Act to be registered as a midwife under this Act, and the Registrar shall as soon as may be after the commencement of this Act enter the name and other prescribed particulars of such person in the Register of Midwives.

Ch. 212.

(5) Every person who

- (a) (i) satisfies the Council that he has successfully completed in The Bahama Islands a course of training in nursing or midwifery recognised by the Council, and has passed any examination or examinations set by the Council for the purpose; or
- (ii) in any other case satisfies the Council that he has successfully completed such a course of training as aforesaid at an overseas institution recognised by the Council; and

(b) further satisfies the Council that he is of good character and is a fit and proper person to practise as a nurse or midwife in The Bahama Islands.

shall be qualified under this Act to be registered as a nurse or midwife, as the case may be:

Provided that nothing in this subsection shall operate to prevent the Council from requiring any particular person to sit and pass such examination or examinations set by the Council as the Council may deem fit before such person shall be qualified to be registered as aforesaid.

(6) Subject to the provisions of subsections (3) and (4), any person who is qualified under this Act to be registered as a nurse or midwife may make application to the Registrar for registration, and every such application shall be made in the prescribed form and accompanied by the prescribed fee.

(7) The Registrar shall issue to every person registered under this Act the appropriate certificate of registration in the prescribed form.

Enrolment of clinical nurses.

10.—(1) The Council shall cause the Registrar to keep a roll to be known as the Roll of Clinical Nurses (in this Act referred to as “the roll”), in which shall be entered the name and other prescribed particulars of every person whose application for enrolment as a clinical nurse is approved by the Council.

(2) The roll shall be open to inspection by any member of the public at all reasonable times.

(3) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsections (4) and (5), any person who was engaged in practical nursing in The Bahama Islands before the commencement of this Act may at any time within six months after the commencement of this Act apply to the Registrar in the prescribed manner for enrolment as a clinical nurse, and if the Council, after considering the application and making such other enquiries as it may think fit, is satisfied that such person—

- (a) is of good character; and
- (b) has gained sufficient experience in practical nursing to perform satisfactorily the duties of a clinical nurse,

the Council may approve the enrolment of such person as a clinical nurse.

(4) Every person who —

- (a) satisfies the Council that he has successfully completed a course of practical training recognised by the Council as qualifying such person to engage in clinical nursing, that is to say, to undertake the basic care of patients under the supervision of a registered medical practitioner or a nurse; and
- (b) further satisfies the Council that he is of good character and is a fit and proper person to practise clinical nursing (within the meaning given to that expression in paragraph (a) of this subsection) in The Bahama Islands,

shall be qualified under this Act to be enrolled as a clinical nurse.

(5) Any person who is qualified under this Act to be enrolled as a clinical nurse may make application to the Registrar for enrolment, and every such application shall be made in the prescribed form and accompanied by the prescribed fee.

(6) The Registrar shall issue to every person enrolled as a clinical nurse a certificate of enrolment in the prescribed form.

11.—(1) If any person who is registered or enrolled under this Act is found, upon enquiry by the Council —

- (a) to be suffering from any illness rendering such person unfit to practise nursing or midwifery, or to perform satisfactorily the duties of a clinical nurse, as the case may be; or
- (b) to have procured any registration or enrolment under this Act as a result of any misleading, false or fraudulent representation; or
- (c) to be guilty of —
 - (i) dishonesty, negligence or incompetence in the performance of his duties as a nurse, midwife or clinical nurse, as the case may be; or
 - (ii) conduct that is unbecoming to a nurse, midwife or clinical nurse,

the Council may, if it thinks fit, either suspend the registration or enrolment of such person for a period not exceeding one year or direct the Registrar to strike the name of such person off the register or off the roll, as the case may require.

(2) The Council may at any time, if it thinks just, and subject to any conditions that it considers the circumstances of the case require, direct the name of any person which has been struck off the register or off the roll to be reinstated.

(3) The Council shall, as soon as may be after —

- (a) the registration or enrolment of any person has been suspended; or
- (b) the name of any person has been struck off the register or off the roll; or
- (c) the reinstatement of any name which was struck off the register or off the roll,

cause notice of the appropriate fact to be published in the *Gazette*.

(4) Whenever the name of any person has been struck off the register or off the roll, the Council may in writing require such person to return to the Registrar his certificate of registration or certificate of enrolment, and such person shall comply with that requirement.

Appeals to
Nursing
Appeal
Tribunal.

Second
Schedule.

Supervisors
of midwives.

Suspension
and striking
off.

12.—(1) Without prejudice to the provisions of subsections (3) and (4) of section 11, any person aggrieved by any decision of the Council in respect of the suspension or cancellation of the registration or enrolment of such person may appeal from such decision to the Nursing Appeal Tribunal, hereinafter referred to as "the Tribunal", which shall be constituted for the purposes of this section.

(2) The provisions of the Second Schedule shall have effect as to the constitution of the Tribunal and otherwise in relation thereto.

(3) Upon allowing an appeal from any decision of the Council under subsection (1) of section 11, the Tribunal shall cause notice of its decision to be published in the *Gazette* and shall, in the event of the appellant's certificate having been returned under subsection (4) of section 11, direct such certificate to be restored to him.

(4) A decision of the Tribunal shall not affect any liability incurred under subsection (1) of section 14 by the appellant prior to such decision.

13.—(1) The Council may, for the purpose of ensuring proper supervision of midwives.

- (a) divide The Bahama Islands into such midwifery districts (in this Act referred to as "districts") as it may think fit;
- (b) designate such persons as it may think fit to be Supervisors of Midwives; and
- (c) specify the districts for which each Supervisor of Midwives shall be responsible.

(2) The Council shall, as soon as may be after any Supervisor of Midwives has been designated, cause notice of the fact to be published in the *Gazette*, and such notice shall set out the name and address of such Supervisor of Midwives and the districts for which he is responsible.

14.—(1) Any person who —

- (a) not being registered under this Act as a midwife or not being qualified to practise midwifery under any other enactment for the time being in force in The Bahama Islands, practises midwifery; or
- (b) not being registered under this Act as a nurse, practises as a nurse or takes or uses the name or title of registered nurse either alone or in combination with any other words or letters, or uses any name, title, addition, description, uniform or badge implying that he is registered under this Act as a nurse; or
- (c) not being enrolled as a clinical nurse, at any time after the expiration of six months after the commencement of this Act undertakes employment as a clinical nurse; or
- (d) being a nurse, midwife or clinical nurse whose registration or enrolment (as the case may be) is suspended under section 11, nevertheless practises as a nurse or midwife or undertakes employment as a clinical nurse; or
- (e) with intent to deceive makes use of any certificate of registration or certificate of enrolment issued under this Act to him or any other person,

shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction —

- (f) in the case of a first offence, to a fine not exceeding thirty dollars;
- (g) in the case of a second or subsequent offence, to a fine not exceeding one hundred and fifty dollars, and in default of payment thereof to imprisonment for a period not exceeding six months:

Provided that —

- (h) nothing in paragraph (b) of this subsection shall prevent a children's nurse from taking or using the name or title of nurse, unless the circumstances in which, or the words or letters in combination with which, the name or title is taken or used are such as to suggest that he is something other than a children's nurse, that is to say, a person whose avocation is that of caring for children;

- (i) a person shall not be guilty of an offence under that paragraph by reason only that, without objection by him, other persons use the word nurse in addressing or referring to him; and
- (j) proceedings for an offence under that paragraph shall not be instituted except with the consent of the Attorney-General.

(2) Any person who wilfully makes, or causes to be made, any falsification in any matter relating to the Register of Nurses or the Register of Midwives or to the roll shall be guilty of an offence and shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding three hundred dollars or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding six months or to both such fine and imprisonment.

(3) Any person who is guilty of a contravention of any of the provisions of this Act for which no penalty is provided in subsection (1) or (2) shall be liable on summary conviction to a fine not exceeding thirty dollars or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding thirty days.

Regulations

15.—(1) The Council, with the approval of the Minister, may make regulations generally for the proper carrying out of the provisions and purposes of this Act and, in particular, but without prejudice to the generality of the foregoing, may make regulations

- (a) prescribing the requirements which shall be satisfied by persons applying for training as nurses, clinical nurses and midwives;
- (b) providing for the programmes of training and the curricula of study to be followed in the training of nurses, clinical nurses and midwives;
- (c) providing for the establishment, management and control of schools for nurses, midwives and clinical nurses, and regulating the instruction to be given in such schools;
- (d) prescribing the examinations to be passed and the other requirements to be satisfied, whether in addition, or as an alternative, to the passing of examinations, by persons applying for registration as nurses or midwives or enrolment as clinical nurses;
- (e) as to the functions of nurses, midwives and clinical nurses and the nature of the services which may be rendered by them;
- (f) providing for the establishment and control of agencies to facilitate the effective utilization of the services of nurses, midwives and clinical nurses, in hospitals or otherwise;
- (g) providing for the making of corrections to the register and the roll required by this Act to be kept;
- (h) for the procedure to be followed in respect of enquiries into matters capable of rendering persons registered under this Act liable to be struck off or to have their registration or enrolment suspended;
- (i) regulating the practice of midwifery and prescribing the powers and duties of Supervisors of Midwifery in any district;
- (j) prescribing any other matter or thing which is required by this Act to be prescribed.

(2) Regulations made under this section may contain different provisions for nurses, clinical nurses and midwives.

16. The Midwives Act is hereby repealed.

Repeal.
Ch. 212.

FIRST SCHEDULE (Section 3)

1. The Council shall consist of ten members appointed by the Minister, and of such members —

- (a) five shall be persons selected by the Minister;
- (b) three shall be persons nominated by the Nurses' Association of The Bahamas or any other body recognised by the Minister as having succeeded to the functions of that Association;

Constitution
of the
Council.

- (c) one shall be a person nominated by the Minister of Education; and
- (d) one shall be a registered medical practitioner selected by the Minister after consultation with any association or associations recognised by the Minister as representing registered medical practitioners or any branch of such practitioners in The Bahama Islands.

2. The appointment of a member of the Council shall, subject to the provisions of this Schedule, be for a period not exceeding three years, and such member shall be eligible for re-appointment.

Chairman. 3. The Minister shall appoint one of the members of the Council to be the chairman thereof.

Resignations. 4.—(1) Any member of the Council, other than the chairman, may at any time resign his office by instrument in writing addressed to the Minister and transmitted through the chairman, and from the date of receipt by the Minister of such instrument such member shall cease to be a member of the Council.

(2) The chairman may at any time resign his office by instrument in writing addressed to the Minister, and such resignation shall take effect as from the date of receipt by the Minister of such instrument.

Revocation of appointments. 5. The Minister may at any time revoke the appointment of any member of the Council if he thinks it expedient so to do.

Vacancies and acting appointments.

6.—(1) If any vacancy occurs in the membership of the Council, such vacancy shall be filled by the appointment of another member, who shall, subject to the provisions of this Schedule, hold office for the remainder of the period for which the previous member was appointed, so, however, that such appointment shall be made in the same manner and from the same category of persons, if any, as the appointment of the previous member.

(2) If the Minister is satisfied that the chairman or any other member of the Council is unable to act, the Minister may appoint any person to act in place of that member.

Gazetting of appointments.

7. The names of all members of the Council as first constituted and every change in the membership thereof shall be published in the *Gazette*.

Incorporation.

8.—(1) The Council shall be a body corporate having perpetual succession and a common seal with power to acquire, hold and dispose of land and other property of whatever kind.

(2) The seal of the Council shall be kept in the custody of the chairman or the Registrar and shall be affixed to instruments pursuant to a resolution of the Council in the presence of the Chairman or any other member of the Council and the Registrar.

(3) The seal of the Council shall be authenticated by the signatures of the chairman and any other member authorised to act in that behalf and the Registrar, and shall be officially and judicially noticed.

(4) All documents, other than those required by law to be under seal, made by, and all decisions of, the Council may be signified under the hands of the chairman, or any other member authorised to act in that behalf, and the Registrar.

(5) The Council may sue and be sued in its corporate name and may for all purposes be described by such name.

Procedure and meetings.

9.—(1) The Council shall meet at such times as may be necessary or expedient for the transaction of its business, and such meetings shall be held at such places and times and on such days as the Council may determine.

(2) The chairman may at any time call a special meeting of the Council and shall call a special meeting within seven days of the receipt of a written requisition for that purpose addressed to him by any two members of the Council.

(3) The chairman shall preside at all meetings of the Council at which he is present and, in the case of the chairman's absence from any meeting, the members present and constituting a quorum shall elect a chairman from among their number to preside at that meeting.

(4) A quorum of the Council shall be six.

(5) The decisions of the Council shall be by a majority of votes, and, in addition to an original vote, the chairman or other person presiding at a meeting shall have a casting vote in any case in which the voting is equal.

(6) Minutes in proper form of each meeting of the Council shall be kept.

(7) The validity of the proceedings of the Council shall not be affected by any vacancy amongst the members thereof or by any defect in the appointment of a member thereof.

(8) Subject to the provisions of this Schedule the Council may regulate its own proceedings.

Committees.

10.—(1) The Council may appoint such committees as it may think fit and may delegate to any such committee the power and authority to carry out on its behalf such duties as the Council may determine, so, however, that no such committee shall have the power to make regulations.

(2) The constitution of each committee shall be determined by the Council.

Protection of members.

11.—(1) No member of the Council shall be personally liable for any act or default of the Council done or omitted to be done in good faith in the course of the operations of the Council.

(2) Where any member of the Council is exempt from liability by reason only of the provisions of this paragraph the Council shall be liable to the extent that it would be if the member was a servant or agent of the Council.

Remuneration of members.

12. There shall be paid from the funds of the Council to the chairman and other members of the Council such remuneration, if any, whether by way of honorarium, salary or fees, and such allowances, if any, as the Minister may determine.

SECOND SCHEDULE (Section 12)

**Constitution of the Nursing Appeal Tribunal.
Tenure of office of members.**

1. The Tribunal shall consist of a chairman and two other members to be appointed by the Minister.

2. The members of the Tribunal shall, subject to the provisions of this Schedule, hold office for such period not exceeding two years as the Minister may determine, and shall be eligible for re-appointment.

Acting appointments.

3. The Minister may appoint any person to act in the place of any other member of the Tribunal in case of the absence or inability to act of the chairman or other member.

Resignations.

4.—(1) Any member of the Tribunal other than the chairman may at any time resign his office by instrument in writing addressed to the chairman, who shall forthwith cause it to be forwarded to the Minister, and from the date of the receipt by the chairman of such instrument such member shall cease to be a member of the Tribunal.

(2) The chairman may at any time resign his office by instrument in writing addressed to the Minister and, from the date of the receipt by the Minister of such instrument, such chairman shall cease to be chairman or a member of the Tribunal.

Revocation of appointments.

5. The Minister may, if he thinks it expedient so to do, at any time revoke the appointment of the chairman or any other member of the Tribunal.

Filling of vacancies.

6. If any vacancy occurs in the membership of the Tribunal, such vacancy shall be filled by the appointment of another member, who shall, subject to the provisions of this Schedule, hold office for the remainder of the period for which the previous member was appointed.

Publication of membership.

7. The names of members of the Tribunal as first constituted and every change in the membership thereof shall be published in the *Gazette*.

Power to make rules.

8. The Minister may make rules —
(a) as to the manner of appealing to the Tribunal;
(b) as to proceedings before the Tribunal and matters incidental to or consequential on such proceedings,
and, subject to any rules so made, the Tribunal may regulate its own procedure.



DEPARTMENT OF NURSING EDUCATION FACULTY



Now headed by Mrs. Jeannie Isaacs.
Principal Nursing Officer of the Dept.
of Education.



MEMBERS OF THE INTERVIEWING

PANEL FOR ENTRANTS TO NURSE TRAINING — 1960's

MEMBERS OF THE INTERVIEWING PANEL WERE: PRINCIPAL MATRON, SENIOR NURSE TUTOR, MRS. JULIET BARNWELL; EDUCATION OFFICER; MINISTRY OF EDUCATION OR MRS. CYNTHIA BOSFIELD, HEADMISTRESS OF ST. ANNES SCHOOL



PRE-NURSING SCHOLARSHIPS RECIPIENTS

Clarice Elizabeth Wright	St. John's College	1 yr. 1970 - 71
Albertha Roseanne Baine	St. John's College	2 yrs. 1970
Philabertha Louise Carter	St. John's College	1 yr. 1970 - 71
Edith Diane Missick	St. John's College	2 yrs.
Patricia Anne Johnson	St. John's College	1 yr. 1970
Paula Munroe	Prince Williams High	

YEAR 1962

Eulah Jane Ritchie	Bahamas Academy	2 yrs
Mary Ritchie		
Arlene Horton	Queen's College	
Juanita Greene	Government High School	
Williamae Gray	Government High School	
Mary Sturrup	Governemnt High School	
Rose V. Mackey	St. Augustine's College	

DEPARTMENT OF NURSING EDUCATION

COURSES OFFERED	CONDITIONS OF ENTRY	DURATION OF COURSE
General Nursing	Age 17 - 35 G.C.E. 'O' level passes - two English Language compulsory	3 yrs.
Midwifery	R.N. Commonwealth of the Bahamas	1 yr
Clinical Nursing Program	Age 17 - 40	18 mths
Post Basic Community Nursing Service Local Health Visitors Certificate	R.N./Registered Midwife	1 yr.
Psychiatric Course (Trained Clinical Nurse)	Trained Clinical Nurse	6 mths.

Conditions also required medical and satisfactory reference.

DEPARTMENT OF NURSING EDUCATION

1970		1971		1972		1973		1974		1975		1976		1977		1978		1979		1980		1981		1982		1983		
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Date: 23rd September, 1983

Key I - Intake
 G - Graduates
 N.S. - Nursing Students
 P.C. - Pupil Clinicals

NURSING LEGISLATION

June, 1971

The Nurses and Midwives Act was passed on October 28, 1971 as the appointed day for bringing the Act into force.

January 1972

The Nursing Council of The Commonwealth of The Bahamas was established.

Listed below are the names of the first appointed members:

Ms. Hilda Bowen, M.B.E. — Chairperson
Mrs. Ironaca Morris elected secretary
Mrs. Ophelia Munnings
Mrs. Brendel Cox
Mr. T. G. Glover
Dr. Kirkland Culmer
Mrs. Eloise Penn
Mrs. Dorothy Phillips elected treasurer
Ms. Sylvia Davis
Mrs. Ruby Nottage

January 18, 1972

The first constituted meeting of the Nursing Council was held, at the School of Nursing, Princess Margaret Hospital. Mrs. B. Ford was seconded by the Ministry of Health to act as the First Registrar and Mrs. Thelma Russell to be the clerk for the Council. The three Committees established by the Council which continue to exist today are Registration, Education and Investigation Committees.



Picture shows (Left) Mrs. R. Adderley and (Right) Mrs. L. Gibson the two first Registered Nurses to receive the Nursing Council Certificate from The Minister of Health. The Hon. A. Loftus Roker, Miss H. V. Bowen M.B.E. (centre) Chairman of the Council.



Board of Examiners 1970. First examination leading to S.R.N. qualification. Back row: Dr. R. Hart, I.R. Farrington, Matron Nurse Bowen and Mr. Haynes. Front row: Dr. Ada Thompson, Mrs. Monica Knowles, Lena Honey and Dorothy Phillips.

PRELIMINARY TRAINING SCHOOL, OCTOBER, 1966



GOVERNMENT HIGH SCHOOL

Curlene Darling
Sandra Hutchinson
Janice Lewis

Lillimae Wilcholbe
Evelyn Boyd
Stephanie Bethel

Judy Munnings
Nathalie Smith
Adina Culmer

Hilda Mea Johnson
Julese Wilkinson
Willimae Hamilton

ST. JOHN'S COLLEGE

Andrea Cooper, Sandra Johnson, Marilyn Taylor, Paula Sears, Emmaline Seymour.

ST. ANNE'S SCHOOL

Priscilla McKenzie, Irma Adderley

EASTERN SECONDARY

Lynda Tinker

QUEEN'S COLLEGE

Susanne Newbold

PRINCE WILLIAM HIGH

Cynthia Wallace

HAROLD ROAD SEC.

Louise McKenzie

NORTH WESTERN ACADEMY — JAMAICA

Hessel MacFarland

ST. ANDREW HIGH SCHOOL — JAMAICA

Zorene Curry

GRAND TURK SECONDARY

Grand Turk
Helen Seymour

NO. WESTERN SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Florida, U.S.A.
Ellen Major



Nurses Pass Examinations — Seven Princess Margaret Hospital nurses successfully passed the third year final examination of the Princess Margaret Hospital's Examination Board for general nursing. The seven are now qualified to enter a Nurses Training School in the United Kingdom for a further year's training leading to the State Registered Nurse Examination for England and Wales. The successful nurses are Nurse Florinda Archer, Nurse Frederica Blakely, Nurse Helen Bullard, Nurse Brenda Campbell, Nurse Ismae Clarke, Nurse Yvonne Sherman and Nurse Caroline Wildgoose. They are pictured above with their tutors and the principal matron and matron of the P.M.H. From left are Matron Patricia Fountain; Sister-tutor, Mrs. O.A. Prevatt; Nurse Bullard, Nurse Campbell, Nurse Wildgoose, Nurse Blakely, Nurse Archer, Nurse Clarke; Nurse Sherman; Principal tutor, Mr. H. F. Knowles; and Principal Matron Hilda Bowen.

General Nursing Council for England and Wales.



No. 23 Portland Place through a fish-eye lens



NURSES MAKE HISTORY) Making history, after three years of training, these nurses are the first to take the State Registered Nurse (SRN) examination conducted at the Princess Margaret Hospital. Previously, the SRN was obtained only after further study abroad. The 17 students who took the SRN given in accordance with an agreement with the General Nursing Council of England

and Wales are (front row, left to right) Larrie Miller, Renee Grant, Linelle Burrows, Elizabeth Darling, Lorna Sutherland and Voreetis Barr; 2nd row, Gloria McPhee, Bernadette Burnside, Linda Davis, Stephanie Poitier and Carol Reid; 3rd row, Myrtis Rolle, Florence Lightbourne, Mary Thompson and Vivian Isaacs; 4 row, Daisy Johnson and Judith Smith.

1969 GRADUATES



First External Examiner Miss Julie Symes, Registrar Nursing Council, Jamaica.



Nurses' gift to library

THE Student Nurses' Association yesterday presented to the School of Nursing Library a collection of books purchased with funds raised from a dance held a few months ago.

Miss Beryl Knowles, president of the association and a first-year student, said the association was pleased to be able to donate the books which all staff nurses should feel free to use.

Accepting the books on behalf of the Nursing School were Miss Hilda Bowen, Chief Nursing Officer, Mrs. Ironka Morris, Principal Nursing Officer and Miss Beryl Gomez, Senior Nursing Officer, who spearheaded the drive for the library books.

Mr. Harold Manning, Permanent Secretary, represented the Ministry of Health, and said the effort was a brilliant step toward the formation of a genuine library which all hospital staff could enjoy. He said that the

Ministry was very proud of the nurses for taking the initiative to help finance and upgrade the library which will not only enhance the Nursing School, but when the new hospital is built, would be of use to all who come to the hospital.

The nurses' library was started in 1966 by the Student Nurses' Association and include books on nursing, health and welfare, medical texts and other related subjects.

Mrs. Ironka Morris, Principal Nursing Officer, said she was pleased to see this project by the association and added that she hoped more nurses would use the library especially since this recent addition. Mrs. Morris also said that the co-operative spirit shown by the nurses was a part of their progress

toward responsible nursing when they began their careers.

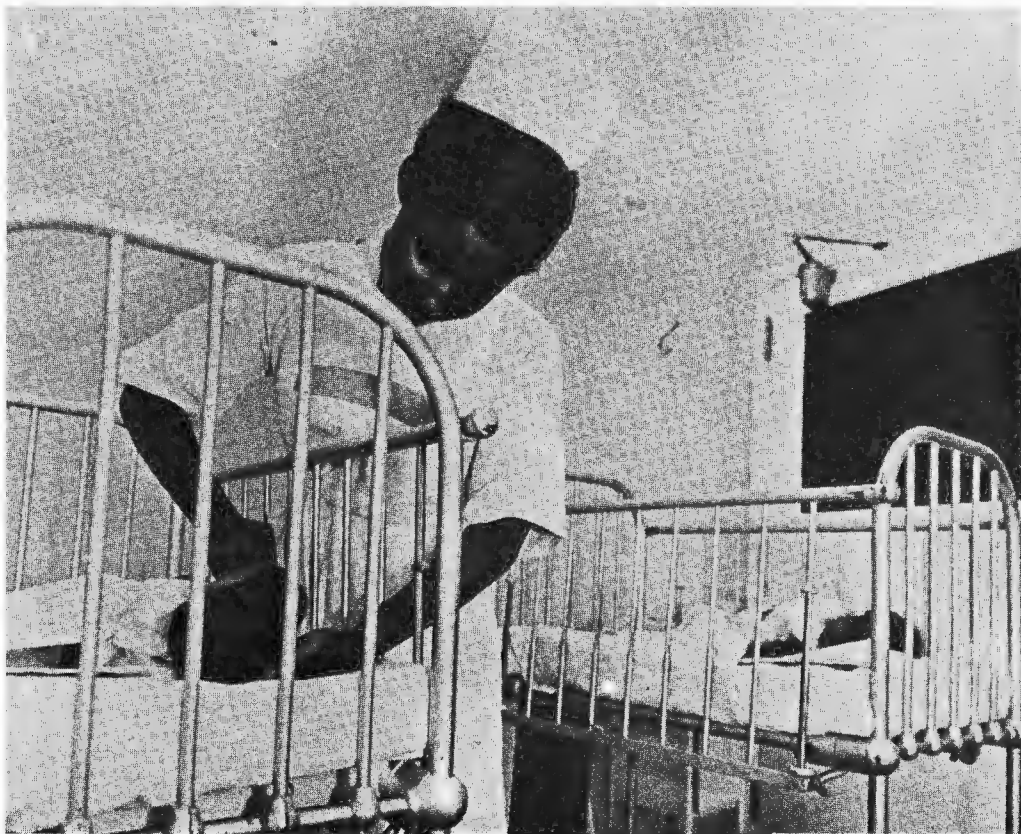
PICTURED: Student Nurse Beryl Knowles, president of the Student Nurses' Association presents to Miss Hilda Bowen, Chief Nursing Officer, one of several books purchased by the association for donation to the School of Nursing Library. Also seen at the presentation are Miss Mavis Campbell, Miss Gail Smith, Miss Lillian Johnson, Miss Delymar Olander, Miss Wynne Gomez (Senior Nursing Officer), Miss Sylvia Davis, Mr. Harold Manning (Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health), Mrs. Ironka Morris (Principal Nursing Officer), Miss Anna Tainquest, Miss Jean Callaberton and Miss Faye Knowles.

**PRINCESS MARGERET HOSPITAL
INTENSIVE CARE UNIT**



SPECIAL CARE BABY UNIT





THIRD YEAR nursing student, Evelyn Boyd, looks after her young charges in the children's ward of the Princess Margaret Hospital.



Among the first Trained Clinical Nurses.



Opening of Casualty Department, P.M.H., 12th July, 1976. Second left, Mrs. Loftus Roker, Dr. Liverpool, Matron Bowen, Lady and Sir Lynden Pindling.



Opening of Longley House by the Hon. Minister of Health Norman Gay.

YELLOW BIRDS — HOSPITAL VOLUNTEERS

Nurses Handicrafted Competition Judges, Mr. Dennis Knight, Mr. Kathleen Hepburn and Mrs. Clarice Granger. Office of Principal Matron at P.M.H. before moving to Administrative Office in Hospital Compound.



EYE DEPARTMENT



The late Nurse Arabella Roker of the Eye Department.



Nurse J. Fox, Eye Department.

JOAN BOWE, Miss Bahamas



Nursing beauty

ONE OF the most celebrated nurses in the Bahamas today is Joan Bowe who was crowned Miss Bahamas 1969 in May. Joan received her training in Europe and returned to Nassau last Christmas after eight years of studies. Nursing gives Joan an outlet for her active, intelligent mind. In spite of her many duties as Miss Bahamas, Joan still does full-time work at the Princess Margaret Hospital.

OPENING OF THE NEW SANDILANDS HOSPITAL FOR MENTAL & PSYCHIATRIC PATIENTS

25 10. 1956.

His Excellency the Governor accompanied by the Countess of Ranfurly and attended by Major Harding, A.D.C. opened the New Sandilands Hospital at Fox Hill, a village about 8 miles from Nassau.

The Chairman of the Board of Health, the Hon. Godfrey Higgs, M.E.C. and members of the Board received the Governor. About 100 guests were present including members of the House of Assembly, the Colonial Services, and the general public. The Chairman's speech referred to the history of the construction of this fine Hospital, and he spoke of the work undertaken by his predecessor Dr. R. Sawyer, M.H.A. and by Dr. N. Maclennen and Mr. H. Knowles, M.N.E. in preparing the estimates and equipment.

His Excellency replied in a speech outlining the treatment of mental patients throughout the ages and his satisfaction with the progress made recently by the Medical and Public Departments in Nassau. The Governor then unveiled a plaque commemorating the occasion and cut the ribbon across the entrance.

The Very Reverend, the Dean of Nassau blessed the Hospital. The Governor and guests toured the wards which are very bright and airy and comfortably furnished. This is accommodation for 210 patients.

There are limited quarters for Nursing Staff at present so the female nurses are living in the nurses' home in town. Regular transport conveys the nurses and domestic staff to duty. The Nursing Superintendent and Mrs. Gale who is also a mentally trained nurse occupy a pleasant house close by the Hospital. The Nursing Staff has been specially selected for work in the Mental Hospital and will not be interchangeable with the Princess Margaret Hospital.

MARY L. JOHNSON

Principal Nursing Officer of Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre.

April 1960 - 1963

Princess Margaret Hospital School of Nursing

May 1963 - June 1966

Broadgreen Hospital Liverpool, England. (S.R.N)

Aug. 1966 - Feb. 1967

Part I Midwifery Broadgreen Hospital Liverpool, England

March 1967 - Sept. 1967

Part II Midwifery Northern General Hospital Sheffield, England (S.C.M.)

Jan. 1968 - Aug. 1968

S.N. and Clinical Teacher. Princess Margaret Hospital School of Nursing.

Oct. 1968 - Nov. 1969

Psychiatric Nursing (R.M.N.) Royal Edinburgh Hospital Morningside, Edinburgh, Scotland

Nov. 1969 - April 1970

S.N. Royal Edinburgh Hospital

May 1970 - Aug. 1971

Ward Sister - S.R.C.

1971 Oct. - Sept. 1972

Advanced Nursing Education University West Indies, Jamaica.

1978 - 1980

University of Miami, B.Ed. University of Miami (Bahamas Programme)

Jan 1981 - Dec. 1982

M.A. Rehabilitation and Counselling University of South Florida, Tampa, Fla.

1983 Dec.

B.Sc. Nursing University of South Fla., Tampa, Florida.



GERIATRIC HOSPITAL



Sir Roland Symonette unveils the plaque dedicating the new Geriatric Hospital in Sandhills Village.

Premier Opens Geriatric Hospital

By Guardian Reporter

The new Geriatric Hospital in Sandhills Village was officially opened Saturday afternoon by the Premier, Sir Roland Symonette.

At the opening ceremony, attended by some 50 guests, the Hon. Forster Clarke, Minister for Health, explained the past history of geriatric work in the Bahamas and the need for the new hospital.

He described how much difficulty he had had in obtaining the perfect design, due to extravagant planning and non-co-operation of technicians and planners, and of how he eventually succeeded when Messrs United Construction Company, Ltd., agreed to build within his budget.

Another plan was briefly outlined which, said Mr. Clarke, he was about to recommend to the Cabinet. The plan is to encourage and help communities in all the islands of the Bahamas by expanding, or adding to all clinics already in existence for the care of the aged, depending on the size of the settlements and their requirements.

POSSIBILITY

"Some of you may regard this as a very ambitious programme," continued Mr. Clarke, "and there may be difficulties which, as you, gentlemen, I prefer to think that it is well within the realm of possibility."

"I can remember when we had fewer than 10 Out Island clinics; today we have in excess of 40."

The new hospital has room for 120 patients, as opposed to the first two-storey building which had about 20 in the days of the first rehabilitation centre. Visitors were taken on a tour of the wards after the ceremony.

Sir Roland declared the building open by unveiling a plaque in the spacious foyer while the police band played outside.

After the ceremony they replicas of the plaques were presented to Mr. Clarke and Sir Roland by Dr. Kenneth Eardley, Lady Symonette and Mrs. Clarke were presented with bouquets.

Guests included Principal Matron of Princess Margaret Hospital Miss Hilda Bowen, Assistant Matron Miss Patricia Fountain, Minister for Education the Hon. Godfrey Kelly and Sir Etienne and Lady Dupuch.



SANDILANDS HOSPITAL HISTORY



Sandilands at Christmas.



Senior Nursing Staff, S.R.C.

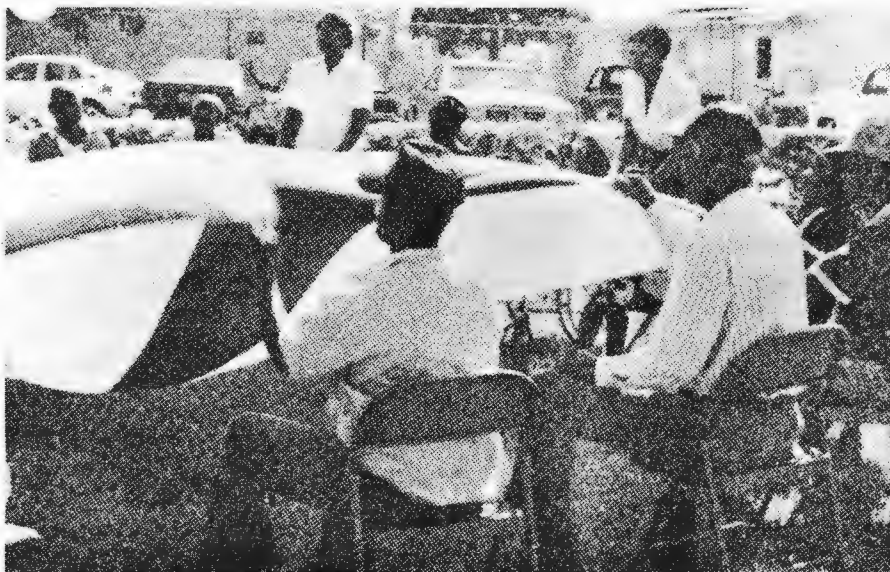


Sandilands Hospital opened in 1956.





RECEIVE PLAQUES — Several members of the nursing profession received plaques this week, for excellent services performed to patients at Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre. Presenting them was Governor-General Sir Gerald Cash, centre. Above, from left, are: Dr. Henry Podlewski, Chief Psychiatrist at Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre; Nurse Valerie Wells, Trained Clinical Nurse; Staff Nurse Julieann Aranha; Sir Gerald, Mrs. Eloise Penn, Principle Nursing Officer; Harold Munnings, Permanent Secretary, Ministry of Health and Peter Morris, attendant.



GERIATRIC PATIENTS.



Queen Elizabeth II first visit to the Bahamas. Matron Bowen being presented.



Nurses Guard of Honour.

THE QUEEN'S VISIT



Matron Fountain



The Queen pauses to chat with Alexander Wilson, a ship's crewman from Ragged Island, in Male Ward 2 during a tour of Princess Margaret Hospital. Wilson was twice blessed with a royal visit. Prince Philip stopped by his bedside only seconds before.



MRS. JULIA BUTLER-ALBURY receives the Queen's Certificate and Badge of Honour from Queen Elizabeth at Government House.



Victoria Jubilee Building taken during the queen first visit, demolished in 1990.



William Macra Gillies, talented American painter stands before one of his works, "Out island Nurse", Z. Burrows. Mr. Gillies has come to Nassau from his studio home in Hope Town, Abaco, to do a portrait of Sir Roland Symonette, Premier of the Bahamas.

Flying Doctor Service to the Family Islands, Nurse Ann O'Sullivan with Dr. Gerassimos, District Medical Officer.

— Bahamas Ministry of Tourism Photo
by William Roberts



Pearl Glinton, Current Island, Midwife for many years. Opening, Bogue, Eleuthera Clinic. Representative: Hon. A. Bryennon, Chief Island Commissioner. Seated in front: H. Burrows, Minister of Health Hon. Foster Clarke, Chief Medical Officer was Mr. Howard Murcott.

FAMILY ISLANDS



Nurse Hilton and elderly patient, Miss Turnquest, outside her home. They held weekly clinics and home care visits to settlements of South Eleuthera.



West End Clinic



First Family Island Workshop, Nursing, 1970.

WORKSHOPS



Out Island Seminar, St. John's College, grounds. Deputy C.M.O. Mulrane.



Workshops held at St. John's College.

Inservice



Opening of first Arawak Cay Ward Management Course.



Opening of workshop by Minister Christie. Chairman of Public Service Commission, Chief Medical Officer.



ROSABELLA JOHNSON
... Nursing Officer

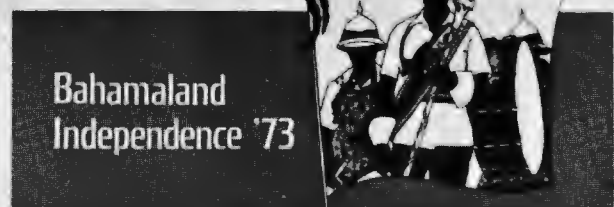
POPULAR NURSE —
Sister Johnson had been employed as nursing officer at Spanish Wells for three years, where she died suddenly. She also served at Long Island for a year. Sister Johnson was also employed by the Nassau Guardian before leaving for England in 1959.



REGISTERED NURSE GRADUATES



1969 Graduation Exercise held at British Colonial Hotel. Seen at centre, wife of Acting Governor, Mrs. William Sweeting and Matron Bowen.



HIGHLIGHTS OF NURSES GRADUATION

GRADUATION DAY CEREMONY

30.10.1956

The Countess of Ranfurly presented the silver Challenge Cup and Prizes at the Annual Graduation Ceremony held in the nurses' classroom.

First Prize Winner.....Nurse J. Fox

Second Prize WinnerNurse G. Sands

Third Prize WinnerNurse Turnquest

Prizes were awarded for good conduct to 2 nurses. A dance was held later in the Nurses' Home to celebrate the Graduation Party.

1969 — Graduates, Professional Course.



GRADUATION CLASSES

Clinical Nurses

- 1969 -

Priscilla LaFleur
Teresa Lord
Lorraine Thompson
Letitia Seymour
Helen Johnson
Yvonne Campbell

Alberta Darling
Shirley Mae Young
Verna McPhee
Patricia Sands
Nellie Basden
Marianna Francis
Yvonne McPhee

Vera Thompson
Nelcina Esin
Jacqueline Stirrup
Olive Clarke
Jennie Basden
Marietta Charlton

- 1968 -

Dorothy Moncur
Luella Munroe
Randolph Deleveaux
Austin Saunders
Ivy Rolle
Kirklyn Barr
Veronica Johnson

Diana Johnson
Theresa Miller
Richard Forbes
Bradley McKenzie
Maria Brennan
Aaron Mackey
Bertram Rolle

William Seymour
Hardy Strachan
Nathaniel Bastian
Pamela Burrows
Delcina Fraser
Frederick Russell
Leone Williams



MIDWIFERY GRADUATES



Lula Farquarson, receiving long service certificate at nurses graduation.





COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING GRADUATES



Community Health nursing graduates including students from Commonwealth Caribbean.

1979

NAMES OF GRADUATES

REGISTERED NURSE PROGRAMME

Brenda Adderley
Ruthmae Bastian
Eulogia Brown
Faith Burrows
Linda Cargill
Dorcena Charlton
Rosena Clarke
Ruthie Mae Cooper
Thomasina Dean
Coralyn Delancy
Augusta Demeritte
Daphne Durham
Terry Evans

Antoinette Granger
Agatha Grant
Donna Hanna
Stephanie Johnson
Beverley Josey
Gillian Knowles
Julia Knowles
Karen Knowles
Shirley Knowles
Caroline Lightbourrie
Olive Lightbourne
Christine Martin
Janet Martin

Eulease McPhee
Merlina Moss
Martha Moultrie
Bernadette Patton
Valerie Pratt
Frederica Smith
Shirley Mae Smith
Marilyn Thompson
Tanya Thompson
Denise Williams
DeVaughan Williams
Patricia Wint
Rosette Woodside

CLINICAL NURSE PROGRAMME

Gwennie Mae Adderley
Cleona Burrows
Yvonne Clarke
Halsen Curry
Paula Deal
Laura Dorsette
Ellamae Ferguson
Laura Ferguson
Relcina Forbes
Lorraine Fowler

Virginia Gaitor
Doretta Hepburn
Clara Hunt
Rosalie Johnson
Pamela Kemp
Cheryl Kenny
Cleora Newbold
Rosa Knowles

Phillis Martin
Mary Moultrie
Sharon Murray
Patricia Rolle
Martha Russell
Esther Sherman
Judy Toote
Velma Ambrose

MIDWIFERY PROGRAMME

Albertha Bain
Gwendolyn Brice
Curly Mae Johnson
Clarice Ferguson
Marcel Johnson

Dorothy Miller
Cecilia Ramsey
Sherrin Rose
Edith Smith
Rose Strachan

PSYCHIATRIC COURSE FOR TRAINED CLINICAL NURSES

Bertha Mae Andrews
Gail Conliffe
Marilyn Cox
Vernice Cox
Gloria Dorsette

Princess Forbes
Yvonne Hanna
Marion Lightbourne
Rozina Taylor
Franklyn Williams

NURSING STAFF MINISTRY OF HEALTH & NATIONAL INSURANCE

Miss Hilda V. Bowen, M.B.E. – Director of Nursing

DEPARTMENT OF NURSING EDUCATION

Mrs. Ironaca Morris	Principal Nursing Officer
Mrs. Evelyn Prescod	Senior Nursing Officer
Mrs. Jennie Isaacs	Senior Nursing Officer
Mrs. Esmeralda Rutherford	Senior Nursing Officer
Miss. Cleopatra Ferguson	Senior Nursing Officer (Study Leave)
Mr. Andil La Roda	Senior Nursing Officer (Study Leave)
Miss. Mary Johnson	Senior Nursing Officer
Miss. Ernestine Douglas	Nursing Officer Gr. 1 (Study Leave)
Mrs. Castella Bowleg	Nursing Officer Gr11
Mrs. Jacqueline Dean	Nursing Officer Gr.11
Mrs. Carmen Hepburn	Nursing Officer Gr.11 (Study Leave)
Mrs. Lily Major	Nursing Officer Gr.11
Mrs. Patrinella Deleveaux	Nursing Officer Gr.11
Mrs. Leona Mc Cartney	Nursing Officer Gr. 11
Mrs. Gloria Ferguson	Nursing Officer Gr.11
Mrs. Willamae Stuart	Nursing Officer Gr. 11
Mrs. Doreen Peters	Staff Nurse
Mrs. Ampusam Symonette	Staff Nurse

1980

PRINCESS MARGARET HOSPITAL

Mrs. D. Phillips, Principal Officer
Mrs. C. Knowles, Senior Nursing Officer
Mrs. T. Godet, Senior Nursing Officer
Mrs. M. Moss, Senior Nursing Officer
Mrs. R. Thompson, Acting senior Nursing Officer

SANDILAND REHABILITATION CENTRE

Mrs. Eloise Penn Principal Nursing Officer
Mr. Brice Ferguson Senior Nursing Officer
Mr. Lincoln Davis Senior Nursing Officer

COMMUNITY NURSING SERVICE

Mrs. B. Ford, Acting Principal Nursing Officer
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COMMUNITY NURSING SERVICES

GRAND BAHAMA

Mrs. M. Taylor, Senior Nursing Officer
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RAND MEMORIAL HOSPITAL

GRAND BAHAMA

Mrs. Lula Knowles, Senior Nursing Officer
Miss Sylvia Davis, Senior Nursing Officer

NURSES GRADUATION EXERCISE – 1980

LONG SERVICE CERTIFICATES 1980

Mrs. Viola Sweeting Butler
Mrs. Icelyn Johnson Pratt
Miss. Doreen Fernander
Mr. Veron Turner
Mrs. Priscilla Major Johnson
Miss. Lula Farquharson
Mrs. Albertha Smith Moxey
Miss. Edris Turner
Mrs. Marilyn Rolle Pitter
Mrs. Earla Sweeting Thompson
Mr. Elijah Daniels
Mrs. Alma Rolle Williams
Mrs. Isabelle Johnson Pratt
Mrs. Effie Smith Sawyer
Miss. Arabella Roker
Mrs. Veronica Williams Ferguson
Mrs. Patrinella Darville Deleveaux
Mrs. Evanqeline Edwards Cummings
Mrs. Flora Coakley Hanna
Mrs. Agnes Strachan Davis

NAMES OF GRADUATES REGISTERED NURSE PROGRAMME

Roache, Valerie Adele — Introductory Course No. 9

NURSING STUDENTS — INTRODUCTORY COURSE No. 10

Allen, Sybil Louise	Higgins, Jessiemae	Rolle, Clayton Alfred
Bain, Cheryl	Johnson, Lauralee	Sawyer, Margaret Louise
Bethel, Carnell Alicia	Knowles, Warren	Simmons, Kirkwood Andrew
Brown, Robertha	Lewis, Joann Stephanie	Smith, Sandra Georgina
Campbell, Cheryl Gail	Mackey, Elizabeth	Stuart, Patrice Magter Darnel
Cooper, Carbl Patricia	Marshall, Rhondalee Freddymae	Stubbs, Joanne
Cooper, Judith Delores	Marshall, Shary D.	Stubbs, Viola
Cox, Ella Jane	Martin, Deborah Frances	Thompson, Emma Jane
Dames, Una Jane Victoia	Miller, Narona	Thompson, Patricia
Evans, Suezett	Miller, Patricia Naretta	Tuker, Samuel Jerry
Greenslade, Betty Leona	Mortimer, Sandra Rebecca	Watkins, Wendy Maria
Griffin, Della Reese	Pearce, Larhoda Pauleter	Weech, Alison Grace
	Powell, Charlotte Aurea	Williams, Lynda Sophia
		Whyllly, Janina

MIDWIFERY PROGRAMME — 1979/1980

Carey, Jacklyn Sarah	Pinder, Lenor Naydean Elizabeth
Cooper, Peggy Ann	Sands, Cassandra Ann
Dean, Coral Ilean	Saunders, Marilyn Clayomi
Fox, Deborah Ann	Simmons, Charlotte Eloitte
Hepburn, Elsie	Smith, Beulah Juliette
Hepburn, Pearline Veronica	Stewart, Alice Alveria
Mills, Gloria	Thompson, Mary Jane

COMMUNITY NURSING PROGRAMME — 1978/1979

Adderley, Sandra	Godet, Bernardette
Bain, Rosa Mae	Johnson, Kathleen
Brooks, Jannis	Joseph, Cerene
Dean, Stephanie	Roberts, Virginia Austria
Dean, Thirza	Stanley, Annette
Gardiner, Gloria	

1981

NAMES OF GRADUATES

REGISTERED NURSE PROGRAMME

BAIN, Ester Marie
BARTLETT, Eulie Elena
BULLARD, Melanie Olivia
BURNSIDE, Karen E.
BUTLER, Doreen Elizabeth
COLLIE, Amelia Louise
COLLIE, Ruthmae
CONLIFFE, Karen Sabrina
COX, Shirley Marie
DAWKINS, Sherry Mae
DUVALIER, Sarah Jane
ELDON, Carolyn
FERGUSON, Margie
GRANT, Cleo Rozetta Louise
GREEN, Christina Albertha
HANNA, Gina Carol
HANNA, Sonja Elizabeth
INGRAHAM, Paige Bernadette
ISAACS, Jennifer
JOHNSON, Angela Pamela
JOHNSON, Kimberley

KEMP, Denise Carmen
KNOWLES, Lisa Antionette
KNOWLES, Vernice Clarice
LIGHTBOURNE, Julie Janet
LIGHTBOURN, Mary Elizabeth
MINNIS, Pamela
MOORE, Enid Anita
NEWBOLD, Patricia Joyce
PRATT (SULLIVAN), DULCIE Colette
PROSPER, Loleta Marie
RECKLEY, Donna Annette
REECE, Peggy Agatha
ROBERTS, Sandra Sherryann
ROBINSON, Dynette
ROBINSON, Sherline
SANDS, Arneta
SANDS, Debbie Anne
SAUNDERS, Sharon Eloise
SMITH, Chalene Lorraine
TURNQUEST, Nicoya Cecile
WILLIAMS, Sandra Marita

MIDWIFERY PROGRAMME – 1980/1981

AUSTIN, Jacinta Elaine
INGRAHAM, Clarice
MORRIS, Patsy
MOSS, Bernadette Benedicta
SMITH, Willamae

CAREY, Shirley Curlene
KNOWLES, Marilyn Eloise
MORTIMER, Brenda
SEYMOUR, Carolyn Louise
TURNER, Maggie

LONG SERVICE CERTIFICATES

Mrs. Pearlina Cooper
Miss Brenda Cox
Miss Sybil Curtis
Mrs. Inez Carey
Mr. George Davis
Mrs. Leonie Farquharson
Mr. Hiram Newbold
Mrs. Eueda Poitier
Mr. Charles Pratt
Mrs. Merlene Smith
Miss Eloise Ann Stubbs
Mrs. Coralee Turner
Mrs. Geneva Thornton
Mr. Lincoln Davis

NAMES OF GRADUATES

INTRODUCTORY COURSE No. 14 REGISTERED NURSE PROGRAMME

1. BARR, Inza Marie
2. BODIE, Nathalie Annie
3. BOWE, Christine E.
4. BROWN, Margareta Ellen
5. BROWN, Maxine
6. BUTLER, Angela C. E.
7. COLLIE, Cleolamae (Hamilton)
8. COOPER, Cynthia V. (Johnson)
9. COOPER, Denise E.
10. COOPER, Sonia T.
11. DARLING, Janet McKushla
12. DELEVEAUZ, Melva Colene
13. DEMERITTE, Kateca
14. DILLET, Paige Patrice
15. FERGUSON, Patrick A.
16. HALL, Patty Evangeline
17. HENDFIELD, Carimenda E.
18. HEPBURN, Barbara Ann
19. HUTCHESON, Marceia M.
20. JOHNSON, Henrietta H.
21. JOHNSON, Janet Valerie
22. JOHNSON, Patrice
23. JOHNSON, Peggy C.
24. JOHNSON, Vernetta I.
25. KING, Celestine O.
26. LEWIS, Miriam Colean
27. McKENZIE, Anna Mae
28. MURPHY, Doralea Louise
29. NOTTAGE, Maria Queenie
30. PRATT, Keva Denise
31. ROLLE, Linda Jane
32. SEARS, Debbie Linda
33. STRACHAN, Rochelle P. F.
34. STUBBS, Ellajane
35. SYMONETTE, Yvonne
36. WILSON, Patrice Laverne

P. T. S. 20 TRAINED CLINICAL NURSE PROGRAMME

1. ARMBRISTER, Sarah Priscilla
2. BAKER, Muriel Laverne
3. BASDEN, Francinta Elizabeth
4. BETHEL, Mordell
5. BLYDEN, Alma Theresa
6. CALLENDER, Karen
7. CLARE, Rosemarie Louisa
8. DARVILLE, Jennie Patricia
9. DELANCEY, Serena
10. DUNCOMBE, Thelma
11. ELLIS, Vernita
12. FARQUHARSON, Elizabeth M.
13. FERGUSON, Marjorie Louise
14. FERGUSON, Francis Delotis
15. GRAY, Santine
16. HUNT, Judymae
17. HUMES, Sheila Paulette
18. JOHNSON, Barbara Mae
19. JOHNSON, Sherrian C.
20. KNOWLES, Joann Elewise
21. McKENZIE, Jennifer G.
22. McPHEE, Ida Malinda
23. MILLER, Helen Della
24. MORALLY, Orelia Jane
25. PERCENTIE, Gleanor Cindy
26. PINDER, Esthermae
27. RAHMING, Malvese
28. RICHARDS, Angela (Thompson)
29. ROLLE, Anna Drucilla
30. ROLLE, Winniemae
31. SMITH, Karen
32. STUART, Jenniemae V.
33. SWEETING, Brigitte Y.
34. TAYLOR, Janet
35. THURSTON, Carrol
36. THURSTON, Janet Louise
37. WHYLly, Sharline P. (Rolle)
38. WILLIAMS, Brendalee
39. WILLIAMS, Julia Estella
40. WOODS, Linda Loretta (Outten)
41. WRIGHT, Coralee
42. WRIGHT, Maria Michelle

NAMES OF GRADUATES

MIDWIFFERY PROGRAMME

JANUARY, 1983

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| 1. GRAY, Terricetta (Pinder) | 5. MOULTRIE, Martha Louise |
| 2. JOSEY, Beverley Christine | 6. SWEETING, Icelyn |
| 3. MAJOR, Audrey Eloise | 7. WILLIAMS, Audrey |
| 4. MARTIN, Christine | 8. WILLIAMS, Larrie Alfreda |

JULY, 1983

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| 1. BAIN, Bernadette Louise | 6. KNOWLES, Shirley |
| 2. COOPER, Patricia | 7. McNEIL, Lillian Louise |
| 3. EVANS, Terry Ann (Bain) | 8. MILLER, Valerie Griselda |
| 4. DEAN, Thomascina | 9. ROLLE, Olive |
| 5. FERGUSON, Jestina | 10. SMITH, Shirley Mae |

COMMUNITY NURSING PROGRAMME

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| 1. BELMAR, Agnes | — | GRENADA |
| 2. CARTER, Philabertha Louise | — | BAHAMAS |
| 3. COAKLEY, Angeliqne Antoinette | — | BAHAMAS |
| 4. JOHNSON, Marcel Prisca | — | BAHAMAS |
| 5. JOHNSON, Curly Mae Ellamae | — | BAHAMAS |
| 6. PHILLIP, Eldica | — | GRENADA |
| 7. PHILLIP, Eureka | — | DOMINICA |
| 8. STEWART, Alice Alveria | — | BAHAMAS |
| 9. TURRENTINE, Carethia | — | ST. VINCENT |

LONG SERVICE CERTIFICATES

BABBS, Evelyn
DEAN, Beverley
FOWLER, Marina
JOHNSON, Enez
MILLER, Hassam
ROLLE, Lydia
THOMPSON, Patricia
TURNER, Gwendolyn



MR. HAROLD MUNNINGS
Permanent Secretary



DR. V. A. ALLEN
Chief Medical Officer



MISS HILDA V. BOWEN, M.B.E.
Director of Nursing



MRS. IRONACA MORRIS
Principal Nursing Officer
Department of Nursing Education



THE HON. LIVINGSTONE COAKLEY, M.P.
Minister of Health



MRS. DOROTHY PHILLIPS
Principal Nursing Officer
Princess Margaret Hospital



MRS. BEVERLY FORD
Acting Principal Nursing Officer
Community Nursing Service



MR. BRICE FERGUSON
Ag. Principal Nursing Officer
Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre



MRS. LULA KNOWLES
Senior Nursing Officer
Rand Memorial Hospital

NURSES CHRISTMAS CAROL SERVICE

The first Nurses Candlelight Carol Service was held on December 14, 1965 at Christ Church Cathedral, George Street at 8 p.m.

The first of the nine lessons was read by a student nurse. The second to the fifth lesson read by selected nurses from one of the following areas:

Princess Margaret Hospital

Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre

Rand Memorial Hospital

Community Nursing Service

The sixth lesson was read by The Principal Matron, Miss Hilda V. Bowen followed by lessons read by the Chief Medical Officer and the Minister of Health. The ninth lesson was read by the Governor Sir Ralph Grey.

The Dean conducted the service. The Hospital Chaplin lead the Closing Prayer. The Nurses Choir was conducted by Mrs. Clarice Granger.



Nurses attending carol service at St. Matthew's Church.



MATRON BOWEN



Choir consisting of clinical nurses.



DOROTHY PHILLIPS



THERESA BURROWS



BEVERLY FORD, St. Matthews Church.



Theresa Burrows, R.M.H., St. Matthews. Rand Memorial.

1st Pageant held on lawn of Princess Margaret Hospital.

2nd at Royal Victoria Gardens.

3rd pageant lawn of Geriatrics Hospital.

Who participated: Royal Bahamas Police Band, Staff of P.M.H., ZNS and Press.



On many occasions Mrs. Ruby Ann Darling, M.P., provided piano music during Graduation Exercises.

H. C. Governor visit to Hospital at Christmas Tide

Prior to the seventies the Governor's visit took place on Christmas Day. Beginning at 8:30 p.m. where the party listened to Her Majesty's Christmas Message with the patients. Afterwards the patients entertained guests with their talents. The General Hospital was visited after lunch followed by the visit to Sandilands Rehabilitation Centre. The Royal Bahamas Police Force Band was in attendance.



Ironica Morris-Baker.





Christmas pageant recording done by Mr. Horrace Wright of Ministry of Education.



Performed every year at S.R.C. during Christmas; Governor's visit.



Lady Butler attending carol service, St. Matthew's Church.



Sir Milo and lady Butler, Minister Roker, Ms. McDonald, H.V. Bowen, D. Phillips, Dr. Charles C.M.O. and Dr. Liverpool.



Choir conducted by Mrs. Clarice Granger. Assisted by Rev. Ruth Bastian.



Children's Ward.



Nurses' Christmas Dinner served by Nursing Sisters and Medical Officers.



Governor's visit to Children's Ward P.M.H.



Unveiled plaque in Nurses' Chapel to nurses who have passed on, St. Lukes Chapel.

JACINTA E. AUSTIN



DEPARTMENT OF NURSING EDUCATION

Midwifery Programme (included Family Island experience) 1980 - 1981
Community Nursing Programme (included Family Island experience) 1984 - 1985
Completed R.N. Training in U.S.A. and successfully completed Past Basic Course in
Midwifery and Community Nursing at D.N.E.

WORK EXPERIENCE

- 1991 - Present Clinic Supervisor, Gambier Clinic. Duties include supervision of day to day nursing of a Walk-in-Clinic.
- 1989 - 1990 (July -Dec.) Assistant Supervisor of Postnatal Home Care Nursing Service. Organized daily work load at times for staff, made home visits to post-natal patients and made referrals where necessary. Also ordered supplies and prepared reports.
- 1985 - 1989 (Sept. - July) School Health Services, Assistant Supervisor - Assisted in the organization of staff for schools on a daily basis — orientation of new staff — coordinated meetings — prepared reports and made school visits.
- 1985 (April - Sept.) Ann's Town Clinic. Duties of a staff nurse in a general clinic, including Maternal and Child Health Postnatal and Geratology services were offered — also home visiting.
- 1981 - 1984 (April -June) Coconut Grove Clinic. Duties of a staff nurse in a general clinic, including Maternal and Child Health Services and Postnatal Services. Supervisor at general clinic in Kemp's Bay, Andros for a month.
- 1979 - 1980 Baillou Hill Road Clinic. Duties of a staff nurse in a general clinic, including Maternal and Child Health Services and Postnatal Services. Worked in Harbour Island as staff nurse in charge of clinic for one month.
- 1979 Coconut Grove Clinic - Three weeks — staff nurse duties as mentioned before.
- 1976 - 1979 Princess Margaret Hospital (Casualty Area, Accident and Emergency, Children's Ward, Female Medical Ward and Private Medical Ward) as a staff nurse.
- 1975 - 1976 (March-Jan.) Methodist Hospital, Indianapolis, Indiana. Staff nurse in charge of Diabetic Unit.
- 1974 - 1975 (July-March) Methodist Hospital -staff nurse in charge of the Kidney Transplant Unit.

GLORIA GARDINER



- 1970 - Graduated from The Bahamas School of Nursing/General Nursing.
- 1971 - Graduated from The Bahamas School of Nursing/Midwifery
- 1973 - Graduated from The Bahamas School of Nursing/Community Nursing Programme.
- 1986 - Attended the University of The West Indies (3 months) Community Health Unit, Emphasis on Primary Health Care.
- 1989 - Attended the University of The West Indies (1 month) course in Clinic Management.
- Present Position - Nursing Officer 2, in charge of Flemming Street Clinic.

BERNADETTE GODET

- 1970 - Graduated from The Bahamas School of Nursing/General Nursing
- 1971 - Graduated from The Bahamas School of Nursing/Midwifery.
- 1979 - Graduated from The Bahamas School of Nursing/Community Nursing.
- 1982 - Attended the University of The West Indies (3 months)family planning.
- Present Position - Nurse in charge of Elizabeth Estates Clinic.



REGIONAL & INTERNATIONAL INVOLVEMENT INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL OF NURSING



PARTICIPANTS, CONSULTANTS, RESOURCE PERSONS, OBSERVERS AND SPEAKERS AT THE COMMONWEALTH CARIBBEAN NURSES' MEETING —APRIL 1970. First Row, Left to Right: Phyllis Macpherson, Dame Nita Barrow, Governor-General, Barbados, Lucille Louisy-Walwyn, Ena Walters, Sir Philip Sherlock, Ivy Rennalls, Helen Mussallem, Marie Matthews. Second Row: Violet Lines, Verna Huffman, Martha Shout, Olive Challenger, Florence Gittens, Enid Harden, Ann Jacobs, Andreuille Parker, Monica Clyne, Janet Thomson, Mary Henry, Registrar, General Nursing, Council, U.K. Third Row: Alexander Robertson, Mary Seivwright, Aurora Walters, Margaret Blackman, Marion Harding, Doreen Dewar, Hilda Bowen, Laurice Hunter-Scott.

COMMONWEALTH FEDERATION ATLANTIC SEMINAR

Delegates at opening session of Atlantic Seminar with Ministers of Health and Tourism, Permanent Secretary for Health, Chief Medical Officer and Chief Nursing Officers, Commonwealth of The Bahamas and Margaret Brayton, executive secretary of Commonwealth Federation.



LIST OF DELEGATES

COUNTRY	NAME AND ADDRESS	QUALIFICATIONS	DESIGNATION
<u>ANTIGUA & BARBUDA</u>	Miss Olive GARDNER Holberton Hospital St. JOHNS	SRN, SCM, Nursing Admin. (UWI) MA (Manchester)	MATRON
<u>BAHAMAS</u>	Ms. Esmeralda RUTHERFORD Dept. of Nursing Education P O Box N3730 NASSAU	SRN, SCM, MTD, BSc (FIU)	SENIOR NURSING OFFICER (MIDWIFERY)
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<u>DOMINICA</u>	Mrs. Angella CYRILLE-LAWRENCE 93 Victoria Street NEW TOWN	RN, RM	ACTING TUTOR PRINCESS MARGARET SCHOOL OF NURSING
<u>GRENADA</u>	Ms. Luret CLARKSON P O Box 150 St. GEORGES	RM, RN, Nursing Education (UWI)	TUTOR SCHOOL OF NURSING, St. GEORGES
<u>GUYANA</u>	Mr. Robin McCALLUM School of Nursing GEORGETOWN HOSPITAL	RN, Nursing Education, Community Mental Health & Psychiatry Certificate	NURSING TUTOR
<u>JAMAICA</u>	Mrs. Eulah OTTEY 1½ Weymouth Drive KINGSTON 20	RN, RMN, Nurse Practitioner, Nursing Admin. (UWI)	NURSE PRACTITIONER
<u>St. LUCIA</u>	Ms. Mosa LOUIS Golden Hope Hospital CASTRIES	RN, CM, RMN, Basic Mgt. Cert.	

LIST OF DELEGATES (continued)

COUNTRY	NAME AND ADDRESS	QUALIFICATIONS	DESIGNATION
<u>St. VINCENT</u>	Ms. Aberdene BROWNE Old Montrose KINGSTOWN	RN, CM, Nursing Education (UWI)	TUTOR, SCHOOL OF NURSING
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Mrs. Syringa MARSHALL-BURNETT Faculty of Medicine Post Graduate Medical Building University of West Indies MONA JAMAICA	RN, MA	LECTURER
Mrs. Fay BROWN Social and Preventive Medicine KINGSTON 7 JAMAICA	SRN, SCM, MRSH, ANE (Admin) MCommH	LECTURER, COURSE CO-ORDINATOR
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CENTRAL ANDROS
ABACO

WORKGROUP OF APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY FOR HEALTH

BRIDGETOWN, BARBADOS

8-12 September, 1980

JUSTIFICATION

The goal "Health for all by the Year 2000" represents for the countries of the world a great challenge as well as effort in terms of finding new viable solutions to problems currently decreasing the effectiveness of the health systems. New and more appropriate forms must be developed for health service delivery and its organization so that the output, effectiveness, efficiency and impact of the health system is increased.

PURPOSE

To develop an understanding of the appropriate technology approach in the structure and functioning of the system of health services and its importance in the extension of coverage for the attainment of the goal "Health for all by the Year 2000".

OBJECTIVE

1. To contribute to the development of an awareness and increased knowledge of participants about appropriate technology and its importance in the extension of coverage of health services.
2. To define action guidelines for the diffusion of information and for facilitating the acquisition of knowledge on appropriate health technology.
3. To propose action-oriented alternatives for accelerating in countries the development, adaptation, selection, use and evaluation of technologies so that they are appropriate to the context in which they are applied and the problems to be resolved.

CARIBBEAN WORKGROUP ON APPROPRIATE TECHNOLOGY FOR HEALTH

BARBADOS, 8-12 SEPTEMBER, 1980

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Olive Gardiner
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Claudette Harry
Gloria Noel
Jose Paganini
Ken Standard
Edna Tulloch

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Grace Burke
Gustavo Corrales
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Raul Penna
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Rita Small-Someroo
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Nurse Advisor, PAHO

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Mr. Cortez Nurse
Dr. Jose Paganini
Mr. James Potts
Mr. Omer Robles

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Area Engineer, PAHO
Chief Medical Officer
Caribbean Program Coordinator, PAHO
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Program Officer, Leewards, PAHO
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UWI (JAMAICA)

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Prof. Ken Standard

Senior Lecturer, Preventive Medicine
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Ms. Yamira Santana
Ms. Esther Bailey

INTERNATIONAL NURSES ASSOCIATION



1977, I.C.N. Congress, Japan. Mrs. Castella Bowleg, Maron Hilda Bowen, Bahamian delegates.



Matron Bowen & C. Bowleg at 1977 Tokyo I.C.W. Congress.



Mrs. Ironaca Morris (fourth from right), president of the Nurses Association of the Bahamas, represents the Bahamas at the International Council of Nurses congress held in Montreal in June.



L.C.N. Meeting, Nairobi Kenya.



ERNESTINE J. DOUGLAS

NURSES ASSOCIATION OF THE COMMONWEALTH OF THE BAHAMAS PAST/PRESENT PRESIDENTS

Rose Weir	1943 — 1947	Cleopatra Ferguson	1975 - 1977
Virginia Gibson	1947	*Mary Thompson	*1977 — left office before end of term
Vivienne Longley	1959 — 1968	Esmeralda Rutherford	1977 — 1980
Naomie Walkes		Celeste Lockhart	1980 — 1984
Catherine Brown		Andil B. LaRoda	1984 — 1987
Ironica Morris	1969 — 1972	Ernestine J. Douglas	1987 — 1990
Brenda Cox	1974 — 1975	Gloria D. Ferguson	1990 —



Nurses Association. Noted Mrs. Levi Gibson and Miss Sheila Quinn.

YELLOWBIRDS



Several members of the Women's Volunteer Auxiliary of the Princess Margaret Hospital received their 500-hour and 600-hour pins on Thursday. Mrs. Phyllis Hamilton received the coveted 600-hour pin and Mrs. Denny Cooper, Mrs. Emily Audley, Mrs. Thelma Thomson, Mrs. Aileen Bainton and Mrs. Barbara Strange were presented with 500-hour pins. Principal Matron Hilda Bowen made the presentations. From left, Mrs. Hamilton, Mrs. Audley, Mrs. Thomson, Mrs. Strange, Mrs. Cooper and Mrs. Bainton. Photos by Franklyn Ferguson.



Visit to the Governor-General by President of Yellow Birds, Canada, Dr. Cecil Bethel and President of P.M.H. Yellow Birds.





Dr. Pat Roberts' address to Yellow Birds.



Yellow Birds.



Yellow Birds.



Mrs. Jackson, Yellow Birds.

YELLOWBIRDS AWARDS



Permanent Secretary Janet Bethel and Nurse BeverlyDean.



Nurse Angela Johnson.



Nurse Blakely Sands.

COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSING

CELESTE LOCKHART

January, 1954

Commenced Professional Nurse Training

September, 1957

Graduated as Registered Nurse, Registered Midwife.

June, 1958

Transferred from Princess Margaret Hospital to commence duties in Community Nursing Service.

1991

Principal Nursing Officer



Mrs. Evelyn Prescod and Community Nursing staff prior to her retirement.



COLLEGE OF THE BAHAMAS

HILDA M. DOUGLAS

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Date of Birth: April 29, 1949
Place of Birth: New Providence
Nationality: Bahamian
Marital Status: Married
No. of Dependents: Three (3)
Height: 5ft. 3 inches
Religion: Anglican



EDUCATION

1954 - 1959 Western Junior School
1960 - 1964 Western Secondary School
1964 - 1966 Government High School
1966 - 1969 Department of Nursing Education
1971 - 1972 Department of Nursing Education
1973 - 1974 Department of Nursing Education
1978 - 1980 College of The Bahamas
1979 Public Service Training Centre
1980 Public Service Training Centre
1981 - 1982 University of The West Indies
1983 - 1984 University of The West Indies



ZORENE A. CURRY

DATE OF BIRTH: June 21, 1947
MARITAL STATUS: Single
1961-1965 St. Andrew's High School, Kingston, Jamaica
G.C.E. O Levels subjects
1966-1969 Student Nurse, Bahamas School of Nursing
1970 Staff Nurse, Intensive Care Unit, Princess Margaret Hospital.
1970-1971 Twelve months adaptation period for registration with the Nursing Council of England.
1971-1972 Critical Care Nursing, St. Bartholomew Hospital, England.
1972-1973 Dialysis Nursing, St. Bartholomew/St. Leonards Hospital, England.
1976-1977 Midwifery, Fife School of Midwifery, Scotland
1979 First Line Management Course, Public Service Training Centre, Nassau, Bahamas
1983-1986 Dalhousie University, Canada.
1987 Management Improvement I, Public Service Training Centre.

AND MRS. CECILE KNOWLES

Seconded by the Ministry of Health to the College of the Bahamas.

MINISTRY OF HEALTH

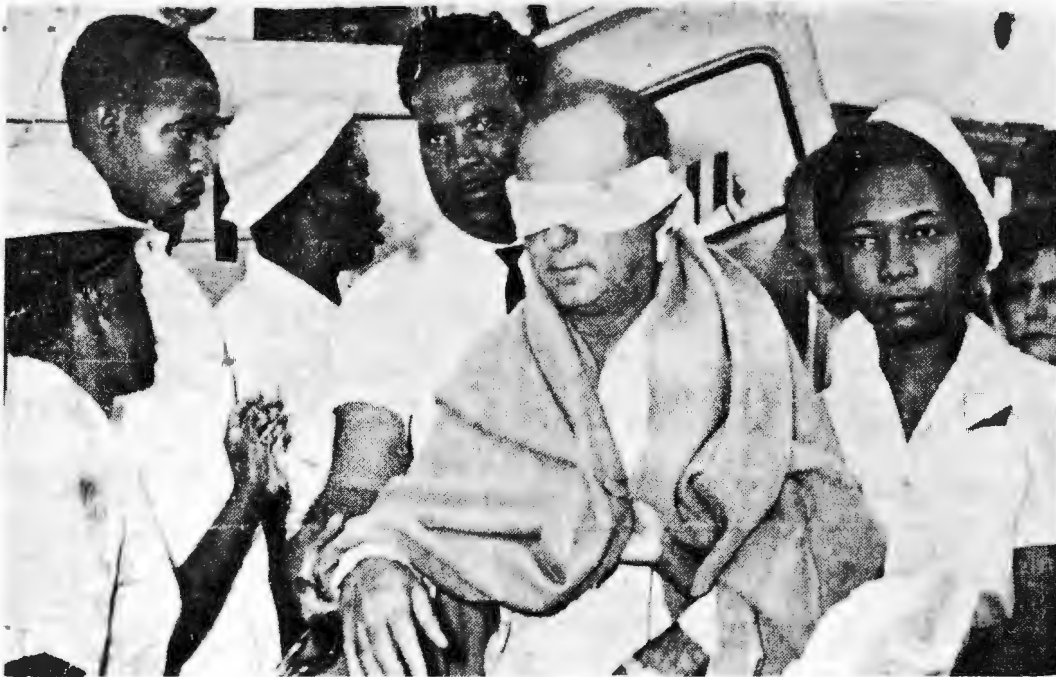


The Administrative Building was situated in the Hospital Compound prior to the Bay Street Office — 1968-1971.



EAST HILL OFFICE
1971 - present date on the 7th floor Post Office building East Hill Street.

The Yarmath Castle Disastor



Victim whose eyes were seared is helped to Hospital by Mrs. Dorothy Phillips, nurse stationed at Prince George Wharf.



Principal Matron Hilda Bowen of the Princess Margaret Hospital personally assisted and supervised as victims from helicopters were rushed to hospital from the airport. She is pictured helping a badly burned lady.

— Tribune Photo

FOR INFORMATION — Birds Eye View
Nurses Footprints

S.R.N. — State Registered Nurse — England/Wales or equivalent

S.C.M. — State Certified Midwife — England/Wales or equivalent

H.V. — Health Visitor

R.N. — Bahamas General (Registered by N/C)

R.M. — Bahamas Midwife (Registered by N/C)

T.C.N. — Trained Clinical Nurse (Bahamas) - N/C

N/C — Nursing Council

Nursing qualifications in order to be appointed Nursing Sister
State Registered Nurse (S.R.N.) England/Wales or equivalent
State Certified Midwife, England/Wales or equivalent
Minimum of 2 years experience
Plus satisfactory reference and good health

Nursing Service Category Change

Principal Matron to Chief Nursing Officer
to Director of Nursing

Matron to Principal Nursing Officer

Assistant Matron to Senior Nursing Officer

Departmental Sister, Nursing Officer I

Nursing Sister, Nursing Officer, Grade II

Ward/Master, Charge Nurse, Nursing Officer, Grade III

Table 3 - Selected health personnel by sex and age

Tableau 3 - Certains personnels de santé par sexe et par âge

COUNTRY - PAYS : SAHARAS.....
YEAR - ANNÉE 19..

Category of personnel Catégorie de personnel	SEX SEXE	TOTAL	Number of active persons Nombre de personnes en activité										65 & older & plus	unknown age inconnu
			In the following age groups: appartenant aux groupes d'âges suivants :											
			less than moins de 20	20-21	25-29	30-34	35-39	40-44	45-49	50-54	55-59	60-64		
Physicians - Médecins	T	154		2	18	30	21	27	15	15	8	11	7	0
	M	124		1	12	23	17	20	12	13	8	11	7	0
	F	30		1	6	7	4	7	3	2	0	0	0	0
Dentists - Dentistes	T	31			1	3	5	4	2	3	7	2	3	1
	M	31				3	5	4	2	3	7	2	3	1
	F	0			0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Pharmacists - Pharmaciens	T	28		1	6	6	7	6	2	0	0	0	0	0
	M	21		0	5	5	5	4	2	0	0	0	0	0
	F	7		1	1	1	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
Veterinarians - Vétérinaires	T	8		0	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
	M	8		0	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	2
	F	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Professional midwives - Sages-femmes qualifiées	T	229		8	34	50	64	51	33	23	10	13	5	38
	M	133												
	F	395		36	57	54	78	57	33	21	7	9	3	40
Professional nurses - Infirmières/iers qualifiés	T	13			1	2	1	2	3	2	7	7	3	40
	M	13												
	F	382		36	56	52	74	53	30	21	7	8	3	40

Table 4 - Total population and selected health personnel in URBAN AND RURAL AREA

Tableau 4 - Population totale et certains personnels de santé dans les ZONES URBAINES ET RURALES

YEAR - ANNÉE 19..

	TOTAL POPULATION TOTAL	PHYSICIANS MÉDECINS	DENTISTS DENTISTES	PHARMACISTS PHARMACIENS	VETERINARIANS VÉTÉRINAIRES	PROFESSIONAL MIDWIVES SAGES-FEMMES QUALIFIÉES	PROFESSIONAL NURSES INFIRMIÈRES/ERS QUALIFIÉS
TOTAL	168,812	154	31	28	8	329	395
Of which - dont							
In the CAPITAL CITY - dans la CAPITALE	101,503	118	16	26	6	258	332
In URBAN AREA - dans les ZONES URBAINES	15,286	15	9	1	2	18	27
In RURAL AREA - dans les ZONES RURALES	52,023	21	6	1	0	53	36
	(Census 1970)						

TRENDS IN NURSING POSITIONS IN THE BAHAMAS

POSTS	1970		1971		1972		1973		1974		1975		1976		1977		1978		1979		1980		1981		1982		1983		1984	
	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V	N	V
DIRECTOR OF NURSING) CHIEF NURSING OFFICER)	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	1	0		
PRINCIPAL NURSING OFFICER	2		4		4		4	1	4	1	4	1	4	1	4	1	4	1	4	3	4	3	4	3	5	2	5			
SENIOR NURSING OFFICER	14		13		10	3	16	8	14	6	14	6	14		14		14	0	14	0	16	1	20		21	8	21			
NURSING OFFICER I	8		13		14	7	15	2	22	10	22	2	22		22	3	22	10	22	10	22	12	22	8	25	16	25			
NURSING OFFICER II	50		53		60	8	64	11	66	13	66	15	66		66		66	0	66	0	103	30	103	73	104	8	104			
NURSING OFFICER III	52	12	42		54		62	15	64	13	64	1	74		74		74		74	2	74	44	74	37	50	25	50			
STAFF NURSE	220	2	234		248	81	231	61	243	72	243	60	243		243		270	0	270	0	325	6	395		413	30	443			
TRAINED CLINICAL NURSE	140		188		225	75	220	31	225	7	225	40	237		275		326	27	326	13	336	15	336		402	59	365			
MIDWIVES	35		35		35	1	26		29	8	25		25		25		25	12	25	0	-	-	25	7	7	4	-			
TOTAL NURSING PERSONNEL	522	14	583		651	175	639	129	568	130	664																			

Key N - Number, V - Vacany

DATE: _____

ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS



DR. MICHAEL M. GERASSIMOS, MB, CH. B, LIVERPOOL

- 1972 Went to Inagua and later in the year assigned to Cooper's Town, Abaco as first M.O. there, covering Northern Abaco, Grand Cay, Hope Town, Sandy Point and Sweeting's Cay.
- 1973 Returned to Inagua and initiated visits to Mayaguana on a more or less monthly routine.
- 1975-1978 Relocated to Deadman's Cay, Long Island serving from Seymours in the North to Mortimers in the South.



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Bahamas School Nursing

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Dr. Patricia Rodgers
The Bahamas High Commissioner, London

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Mrs. Jacqueline Dean
Mrs. Gloria Gardiner
Ms. Rahming Butler
Mr. David Knowles
Miss Valerie Lightbourne

The Nassau Guardian
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MEDICAL

The Medical and Public Health Service is administered by a Health Board, to which the Chief Medical Officer is adviser.

The chief problems in the Bahamas are malnutrition, syphilis and tuberculosis. Infectious and epidemic diseases are singularly infrequent. General diseases are present in average percentages.

The Government spent £36,737 on hospital and allied services, and £25,343 on health, sanitation, etc., in 1946.

The hospital needs of the Colony are centred on the Bahamas General Hospital in Nassau, which has a complement of 308 beds: there are three full-time resident doctors, a British matron, two British and three Canadian sisters and sixty-one native nurses (fifty-three in training). One hundred and forty-three of all ranks form the staff.

Most of the service is free, there being in addition a private patients' section under private practitioners. In the Out-Patient Department, 17,826 cases were treated and 2,905 admitted to the general, mental and infirmary wards of the Hospital in 1946. There are dental, venereal and gynaecological clinics as well, and the X-ray and Bacteriological Laboratories serve all sections of the Hospital and outside demands.

The average stay in hospital was nine days and ninety-three per cent of beds were constantly occupied, though as many as 321 were accommodated. The cost per patient per day was 7/-(4/- in 1937, 5/7 in 1944). There were 409 births and 244 deaths, the latter being mainly cardio-vascular, gastro-intestinal and respiratory, though a considerable number of malignant cases appeared. Cases came from all parts of the Colony, though largely from Nassau, where the wage-earning population mainly resides.

The Out Islands had four medical officers, centred in areas where local visits can be made. There were eight unqualified practitioners (mostly in missionary activities) at other centres. Ten qualified nurses and ten midwives are also employed in various islands.

The Public Health Nursing Service is under a specially qualified Welfare Nurse, who, with five graduate nurses, supervises three health centres; they deal with ante-natal, infant and child welfare, together with a school service, home visits and the early detection of communicable diseases.

Associated with the Department's activities is a Baha-

mas Red Cross District Nursing and Welfare Service, under a Welfare Officer and three graduate nurses, doing valuable independent work.

The Industrial School for Boys looks after seventy-one boys as a Government institution.

SANITATION

(a) The Chief Sanitary Inspector carried out the policies determined by the Health Board. There are seven sanitary inspectors in New Providence. The Out Islands have a local Board of Health, of which the Commissioner is chairman if no District Medical Officer is present.

(b) Chlorinated filtered water is delivered throughout Nassau; careful bacteriological controls are made. Wherever possible, town supply is installed in houses, otherwise standpipes are provided. Old wells are being gradually eliminated and in any case are not allowed for drinking water. Water-borne sewage is disposed of by the "activated-sludge" process.

(c) Pasteurised milk forms the bulk of the milk supply, raw milk being limited in quantity. Regular tests are made on both.

(d) Meat is inspected by the Chief Sanitary inspector; the sale of food in the Public Market is supervised by a full-time officer. Only licensed premises are permitted and all food-handlers are examined medically twice yearly.

(e) Street cleaning and garbage collection is part of the Department's programme; 5,000 tons were dealt with in 1946.

(f) Hygiene as a whole is good in New Providence. With the increase of population in areas where no proper sanitation is available, every effort is made to prevent the accumulation of rubbish and to ensure the proper disposal of excreta.

(g) Industrial problems do not exist on the scale of most countries, there being no mines or factories.

Mosquito control is a problem of all the islands, though malaria is not so far associated with it. Elimination of breeding places about Nassau, oiling of pools and provision of larvae-devouring fish are being continued with good results, but the problem (together with midge-control) demands a very costly solution by filling in marshy areas, eliminating undergrowth at edges of pools, etc., and spraying from aeroplanes with special solutions, and with powders from powertrucks, etc.

THE COMMONWEALTH *of* THE BAHAMAS

