NURSING STUDENTS FOR CHOICE End of Year Update 2013

It's been an exciting year for Nursing Students for Choice (NSFC)!

In October, we held our first-ever Activist Summit in Minneapolis, MN. The two-day Summit brought together 44 students representing 17 colleges and universities across the United States.

The Summit provided students with hands-on training, activism tools, and mentorship that they cannot find elsewhere. Many attendees said they felt inspired, leaving with tools and tips to advance reproductive health care in their nursing education.

This year, we advanced the training of 101 nursing students in reproductive health and justice. NSFC recruited and sponsored students to movement conferences, including those of the National Abortion Federation, Medical Students for Choice, Civil Liberties and Public Policy Conference (CLPP), Abortion Care Network, and the Association of Reproductive Health Professionals. We are also helping a student travel to Mexico City this month to study abortion care.

We added 5 new campus chapters this year, and continued to strengthen the leadership and impact of our current chapters.

As an organization, NSFC continued to grow in 2013. In November, our Program Director, Karmann Peters, celebrated her one-year anniversary with NSFC! Karmann



Attendees at NSFC's Activist Summit in October. Photocredit: Jourdan Togstad

is our first full-time staff person and her work has been critical to our success this year. We created an internship program and hosted our first three fabulous interns: Katie Rank, Alicia Reuter, and Lauren Canales.

We couldn't have done this work without our generous funders and supporters like you! NSFC is in a stronger position than ever and we need your continued support in 2014. Please consider making a donation to NSFC today. You can also donate online at: www.nursingstudentsforchoice.org.

Thank you for your support! We wish you a happy holiday season and a wonderful New Year!



NSFC Activist Summit Update



In October, we held our first-ever Activist Summit in Minneapolis, MN. The Summit provided a space for nursing students to learn more about reproductive justice issues, obtain clinical skills, and acquire tools for advocacy work. Clinicians offered hands-on training in IUD insertion and manual vacuum uterine aspiration. Panels of reproductive health activists spoke about current issues and the nursing perspective in abortion care, as well as organizing for curriculum change. Here's what some attendees said about the Summit:

"Wow! This [IUD Workshop] was fantastic. Finally feel like I'm getting the education I want."

"I learned a ton about nursing scope of practice and how expanding it is a priority."

"[Decision Assessment and Counseling in Abortion Care] has given me language, power & inspiration that has changed my entire perspective and framework. Thank you NSFC."









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