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## ABEn's collaboration as a scientific-cultural entity

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The information interchange, the research results difusion, the contradictory subject discussions, the peer interchanging, among other professional issues, are oportunities available in meetings of different professional categories, organized or supported by scientific societies.

About 80 years the Brazilian Nursing Association (ABEn) is brilliantly comprising this role as a scientific-cultural representative entity of nurses, nurses aides or technicians, organizing in the country the most important and most sanctioned meetings. Beating, update and contradictory thematics are object of reflection in general meetings (Brazilian Congresses) or specific such as Nursing Diagnoses (SINADEn), of research (SENPE), or for work issues (SITEn), or curricular guidelines for nursing education (SENADEn), that annually or bi-annually are offered to the nursing category. In this year of 2006 the agenda is intense, just in the year of the commemoration of the 80th anniversary of ABEn.

The first shared activity is the 67th Week of the Brazilian Nursing, with the theme: "ABEn: a trajectory of 80 years and the contemporary challenges", carried out by each section accross the country. The next activity is the 8th National Symposium on Nursing Diagnoses, that will be held by ABEn-Paraíba, in João Pessoa, by May 23-26 with the theme: "Treading paths for the building of a Brazilian Nursing Terminology". In this meeting it is expected about four hundred professionals involved with the theme.

By the time that coincides with the 80<sup>th</sup> aniversary of ABEn, the agend will be in Brasília by August 9-12 with the 10<sup>th</sup> National Seminary for Nursing Education Guidelines, held by ABEn-Brasília with the theme: "ABEn 80 years: conquests, advances, challenges and perspectives for Nursing Education".

The **58**<sup>th</sup> **Brazilian Nursing Congess** will be held in Salvador by ABEn-Bahia by November 5-9. The theme will be: "*Nursing care: autonomy and work regulation in health*".

In addition to the ABEn's official meetings, many others are supported or carried through with the partnership of other scientific societies or health and education governmental or private institutions year by year.

It is the fulfillment of ABEn's commitment.

And about **you**, have you taken part of those meetings by giving your contribution and helping to construct reinvidications and reflecting guidelines?

Come to take part with us in this or other meetings and help us to keep continuity of our history of fights for the Brazilian Nursing!