1. March saw us at the NEC in Birmingham for a busy couple of days at the Health and Wellbeing at Work event where we were pleased to meet with lots of old friends, new and returning members, students, prospective members and faithful supporters. On the evening of 4th March we hosted our annual Ruth Alston Memorial Lecture which this year took the form of a lively discussion between our president Christina Butterworth and Helen Kirk of Public Health England who debated the different approaches to health promotion (lifestyle factors vs risk based).

2. The President continues to attend the Council for Work and Health and is on the steering group for the Single Organisation (SOM and FOM) where she is able to raise the profile of OH Nursing. As part of the preparatory work for a single organisation (to be decided on by a vote by SOM and FOM members later this year) the boards of the Faculty of Occupational Medicine and the Society of Occupational Medicine have agreed to set up a Shadow Board to provide governance for the creation of a single organisation. This shadow board will ‘reflect the multidisciplinary profile of the new organisation’. For full details and to apply please see the single organisation website single.org

3. On 7th April the European Agency for Safety and Health at Work (EU-OSHA) launched its 2 year Europe-wide campaign ‘healthy workplaces manage stress’ and launched a website with tools to help manage stress and psychosocial factors at work Healthy Workplaces.

4. The Nursing and Midwifery Council (NMC) are holding a series of regional stakeholder summits regarding revalidation and reviewing the code of conduct. You can help to raise the issues of OH with the NMC by attending these events:

   29th May Belfast
   18th June Leeds
   26th June Cardiff
   11th July Glasgow

   http://www.nmc-uk.org/Get-involved/Events/Revalidation-events/

5. 12th June 2014 OH Wales conference “Tools of the Trade”
   Further details available from Lorraine Jenkins
   http://www.occupationalhealthwales.org/conference/