AOHNP UK:

Christina Butterworth has completed her stint as President, and a new President, Diane Romano Woodward has been confirmed.

There have also been several changes to our Board, and discussions on how the AOHNP will look in the future. Part of this is an application for charitable status, which we hope will allow us more flexibility and enhance our position as the leading voice for OH nursing.

The AOHNP is working closely with the NMC on their registration and revalidation programme, particularly on guidance for non-medical employers who have to ‘validate’ or confirm competency of OH nurses in their employ.

Christina Butterworth is chairing a working party of OH nurses and others on the setting up of a Faculty of OH Nursing so that we will be in a strong position if an OH multi-disciplinary Faculty is re-considered.

The annual Ruth Alston Memorial lecture and dinner will be held at the Crowne Plaza, NEC on Tuesday 3rd March 2015. The guest speaker is Dr John Ballard. We will also be holding a stand at the health and Wellbeing Conference over the 3rd and 4th March.

It is expected that Margaret Mercer, will be taking over the AOHNP representation on POOSH (England) during 2015.