

FERTILITYCARE™ CENTRES OF AFRICA NEWSLETTER

AAFCP Conference and Annual Meeting 2014

"True Course of True Love".

The American Academy of Fertility Care Professionals (AAFCP) was founded in 1981 and today has 600 members in 5 continents. Nigeria has 32 members in the Academy.

The 33rd Annual Meeting of AAFCP took place on July 9-12, 2014 at Stratford-upon-Avon, UK. The purpose of the annual meetings is to share experiences, to update members on the current best practices, research relevant to Creighton Model FertilityCare System and NaProTECHNOLOGY, natural methods of fertility regulation and allied fields. Nigeria was represented at the Conference by 5 members of Fertility Care Centers of Africa : Dr Henrietta Williams, Dr Cosmas Okeke, Dr Vincent Ossai, Sr Eucharia Ntolkpe and Dr Wanda Alli-Balogun. The highlights of the conference's topics were: *Pro-Life Feminism, Male Fertility Support, Nutritional Support for Fertility, Unusual Bleeding and NaProTechnology, Setting up NaPro Clinic, NaProTechnology Toolbox for Physician and Practitioners. Building the Future of NaProTechnology in Europe, Igniting Future Research in NaProTechnology.* AAFCP Outstanding Research Paper Award Winner was "Fertility Awareness-based Methods of Family Planning: A review for Avoiding Pregnancy Using SORT" by Manhart D, Duane M, Lind A, Sinai I, Golden-Tevald J. published in *Osteopathic Family Physician 2013;5:2-8.*



A prelude to the yearly Meeting, was a one -day conference of the International Institute for Reproductive Restorative Medicine (IIRRM). The IIRRM is a leading voice in uniting providers who share a common belief that patients deserve evidence-based reproductive health care services, that cooperate with and restore reproductive function and use methods that do not destroy, bypass or suppress the reproductive system. The next AAFCP and IIRRM conference is scheduled for July 15th-18th, 2015 in St Petersburg, Florida USA.



Our Outreach Program in Bayelsa and Delta States

The FCCAf's team, led by its Chairman; Dr Henrietta Williams in collaboration with the Pro-Life group, went to Bayelsa State, Nigeria. Over 42 couples found time to attend the first Introductory Session in Creighton Model Fertility Care System in Yenagoa, Bayelsa State on 31st October 2014. One successful Follow Up visit was already done. Encouraged by the response in Bayelsa, another Introductory Session was done in Bomadi, Delta State. With these FCCAf's activities the rural women in Bayelsa and Delta States now have the opportunity to know their fertility pattern and understand the cause(s) of the symptoms from which they may suffer.



First indigenous African/Nigerian Education Program in Creighton Model System for Fertility Care Practitioners.

It was a joyful day when five new Fertility Care Practitioner Interns completed their class work at Educational Program Part 2 in Abuja on 6th December 2014. The new Practitioner Interns : Dr Titus Onyia, Sr Rita-Maria Ogidan from Lagos; Dr Azuakoemu Okorie from Owerri; Dr Nnamdi Ifediata from Lokoja and Sr Regina Tombere from Abuja are preparing now for the On-Site visit of the Supervisor before their final exam.

The Program Director, Ayodele Shonubi CFCP, CFCE is a pioneer Educator in the Creighton Model in Africa. She is a founder of New Hope Fertility Care Education in Abuja.



Our first indigenous Nigerian FertilityCare Educator completed first training program in Abuja in Dec 2014 for 5 new Fertility Care Practitioners. Our services are now available in 10 States in Nigeria.



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- *CFCE= Certified FertilityCare Educator
- *NFPMC= Natural Family Planning Medical Consultant
- *CFCMC= Certified FertilityCare Medical Consultant

Our Dream...

NaPro Fertility Care Institute

Our dream is to have a NaPro Fertility Care Institute in Lagos State to provide Creighton Model and NaPro Services, research & training of Practitioners and Doctors.

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Another Education program for Fertility Care Practitioners will commence on 13-20 June 2015 in Enugu. The enrollment is still on for the candidates (contact info@naprofccaf.org).

