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WEANING FROM MECHANICAL VENTILATION

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• Purpose of the Study. A recent survey of European nurses from seven countries showed variable engagement of nurses in ventilation management, with higher engagement in Western Europe and lower engagement in Eastern Europe. An identification and exploration of nurses’ roles and the factors that facilitate and hinder engagement in both ventilation and sedation practice will provide direction for future education and training projects led by EfCCNa.

• Methods. 4 focus group interviews were conducted with a sample of Congress delegates from across Europe. The digitally recorded interviews lasted 1-hour and were facilitated by trained researchers. Interviews were transcribed verbatim and will be analysed using thematic analysis.

• Progress. Interviews were transcribed and are now being analysed by 3 qualitative research experts in the study team (Claire Kydonaki, Frederick Paulus, Eva Ackerman). We anticipate that the study will be completed by December 2015