

African Women of Excellence



Mrs. Cecilia Anim

Positions Held on the Royal College of Nursing (RCN) Council

- Member of the Council Executive Team
- Member of the Nursing Practice and Policy Committee
- Member of the International Committee
- Member of the Ethics Committee
- Member of the Awards Panel

Cecilia Anim was elected President of the RCN in 2015, having been a member for over 30 years, elected deputy President in 2010 and re-elected to the role in 2012. She was also an RCN steward for 19 years and a health and safety representative for 17 years.

She has worked tirelessly supporting members in three central London NHS trusts. Cecilia was also the staff-side secretary working in partnership with other unions and secretary of her local RCN branch for 10 years. She then chaired the new branch and served on the London board before taking up the position of deputy president.

In addition to these responsibilities, Cecilia previously served on the Ethics Forum Steering Committee and was also a member on the RCN Menopause Nurses Steering Group. Cecilia still coordinates the Network Group in London. In recognition of Cecilia's contribution, she was awarded the RCN Certificate of Merit for outstanding service to members.

Cecilia works as a clinical nurse specialist in sexual and reproductive health at the Margaret Pyke Centre in London and received a long service award for over 30 year's commitment to the NHS. Cecilia specializes in family planning and aspects of women's health and has a particular interest in menopause and public health issues.

Cecilia was awarded the Bevan award for Health and Wellbeing in 2013 and the Wise Woman of the Year Award in 2014.

Cecilia originally trained as a midwife in Ghana, where she worked before moving to the UK and qualified as a nurse in 1977.

Cecilia is also actively involved in the activities of her local church where she is a member of the PCC and also arranges flowers. She is also Chair of Governors of her local primary school.