

PROFILE: Mr. Idi Stuart



Idi Stuart, is the current President of the Trinidad and Tobago Registered Nurses Association (TTRNA). Prior to his elected office, Mr. Stuart worked in the private sector, particularly in quality control, before entering nursing in 2006 as a Psychiatric Nurse at St Ann's Psychiatric Hospital.

Seeing the need to raise the bar in nursing in Trinidad and Tobago, he became active in the Nursing Association in 2010, and collaborating with a group of similar minded persons, saw the dramatic increase in membership of the organization and convinced the leadership to register the Association as a Trade Union in 2014. He eventually was elected in October 2016, becoming the 2nd male President in the 91-year-old Nursing Association.

Even without Recognised Majority Union Status, a status conferred upon Trade Unions by the Government to allow unions to negotiate for new terms and conditions for its members, TTRNA has been successful in becoming the unofficial voice, not only for Nursing and Midwifery personnel, but by extension all healthcare workers in a matter of four (4) years.

Mr. Stuart has represented the Association at various regional and International conferences and symposiums including:

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- ICN CNR conference in Singapore (2019)
- Joint Triad meetings (ICN – ICM - WHO) in Geneva, Switzerland in preparation for the 71st World Health Assembly (2018)
- Caribbean Nurses Organization (CNO) conference in Barbados (2018)
- Caribbean Nurses Organization (CNO) Leadership Summit in Antigua (2017)
- ICN CNR conference in Barcelona, Spain (2017)

Mr. Stuart additional healthcare qualifications include:

- Graduate of Global Nursing Leadership Institute (GNLI)TM 2019 Programme - ICN, Geneva, Switzerland
- Professional Certificate in Industrial Relations - University of West Indies and Queens University Industrial Relations Centre (IRC) of Canada
- Master's in Health Administration - University of Trinidad and Tobago
- Bachelor of Science in Nursing (Oncology) - University of the West Indies, Trinidad and Tobago