Overview
COINN and GEI invite professionals and students in nursing, midwifery, neonatology, pediatrics and related fields to Engage for Healthy Newborns and internationalize their practice. Delegations travel to a developing country in Africa or Asia to respond to concrete capacity development requests of key local institutional partners.

Working hand in hand with local colleagues, participants have the opportunity to take important steps towards master trainer certification and to obtain valuable international teaching experience in relevant training programs. Modules particularly include Helping Babies Breathe® (HBB) and Essential Care for Every Baby (ECEB). Certified master trainers are most welcome to participate as well.

Highlights
• Contribute to the development of vital neonatal resuscitation and essential care capacity in a developing country in Africa or Asia.
• Pursue master trainer certification and obtain teaching experience.
• Gain invaluable intercultural competence relevant to your profession.
• Share your knowledge and gain new insight through a unique African or Asian perspective on newborn care.
• Benefit from the professional exchange with other participants and local colleagues.
• Explore an exciting destination and immerse yourself in the culture of your hosts.

AT A GLANCE

Upcoming delegations:
Vietnam:
- Sep 22-29, 2018
- Dec 1-8, 2018
- Mar 16-23, 2019
- Jul 20-27, 2019
- Sep 21-28, 2019
- Nov 30-Dec 6, 2019

Rwanda:
- Sep 29-Oct 7, 2018
  (COINN Africa Conference)

Fees:
- Standard participant fee: US $1,650
- Discount for master trainers: US $300

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Program Background
The Lancet’s Every Newborn Series estimates that 3 of the 6 million annual newborn deaths and stillbirths are preventable with proven interventions. This requires the strategic development of workforce capacity of those rendering newborn care, especially in settings with limited resources. Among the available training concepts, the evidence-based Helping Babies Survive modules of the American Academy of Pediatrics (AAP) and its partners are emerging as a globally recognized gold standard, supported by scientific evidence. A large study involving eight Tanzanian hospitals with 78,500 births over 3.5 years has demonstrated the training impact of HBB, its first module, with a reduction in early neonatal mortality by 47%.

Typical Program Itinerary
Day 1  Personal welcome at the airport | welcome dinner
Day 2  Program briefing | exploration of the city and the host culture
Days 3/4  Master training for participants and local colleagues
Days 5/6  Provider training for local community (teaching opportunity)
Day 7  Cultural activity or conference
Day 8  Day at own disposal | personal farewell at the airport

Optional pre- and post-program extensions are typically available:
• Vietnam: Angkor Wat (Cambodia), Halong Bay cruise
• Rwanda: Mountain gorilla trekking, African safari

“The HBB training in Rwanda improved my practice as a nurse because it forced me to think outside of the box. We take so many things for granted with healthcare in the developed world. But working in resource-constrained settings demands that you think critically about how to simplify your work and make it as effective as possible without overcomplicating it.”

Sherri Brown, University of Kansas Hospital

Program Fees
The program fees for standard delegations are US $1,650. This covers personal costs (tuition, accommodation, airport transfers, transport for program activities, meals during program activities, on-site orientation, program-related activity and entrance fees, full-time on-site support) as well as a contribution for training equipment provided to participating local health facilities.