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Testimonials from the Superintendent of Nursing Services, Ministry of Health for work carried out by Donna Ockenden during 2000 in the Sultanate of Oman.

'I wish to express my gratitude for the time and effort which you personally devoted to the organisation of the international Breast Feeding Day event. This is the first occasion that this international day has been celebrated here. The various patient educational programmes and poster competition did much to raise awareness. Thank you for your efforts in improving the quality of this service.

On behalf of the various regional authorities, I wish to record our sincere appreciation for the work which you have carried out in the area of Maternity and Gynaecology Bereavement. Your dedication and guidance in establishing guidelines for good practise have served to introduce this new support. The programme is now well accepted by the community and medical profession. Your research into the various multiple cultural aspects of bereavement has ensured that all nationalities are cared for in a culturally sensitive manner. I commend your efforts.

I wish to congratulate you on the success of the first International Midwives Day celebrations conducted in Oman. This attracted media attention and served to highlight the role of midwives to provide safe care. In addition, this has created awareness of the National Midwifery Programme, which has been introduced at the Institute of Health Sciences. Much positive attention was attracted to your presentations.

I wish to inform you that I have received very positive feedback from the National Renal course Coordinator regarding your presentation on 'Standard setting' which was conducted in the Institute of Health Sciences. This presentation has provided the students with a sound foundation in standard setting and your efforts are very much appreciated.

I wish to thank you for facilitating the fund raising activities to support the purchase of baby equipment for the Maternity Unit. The involvement of various local societies has been of great benefit in raising community awareness of our Midwifery / Nursing Services. Your contribution is greatly appreciated.'