

Marian Nowak - Story

For 18 years, Marian Nowak served as a disaster response nurse, offering nursing care to victims of disasters. In 2013, the three-step disaster triage teaching method she developed was adopted internationally. Marian's global outreach work in "disaster nursing triage techniques" has been featured in 50 countries.

Regionally, Marian approached the city of Philadelphia Disaster Response and Bioterrorism Division, and based on combined research with the Department of Health and Human Services, she spearheaded the nation's first student nurse outreach program enabling student nurses to receive disaster response preparation and certificates. This effort led to 350 student nurse volunteers for the Philadelphia Department of Health. Today student outreach programs are approximately half of the city's volunteers.

Marian is a United Nations CICIAMS NGO Team Representative (an international Catholic Nursing organization) and is presently the elected Pan American President for CICIAMS.

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