

**2022 CICIAMS XXI World Congress -Committee / Sub-Committee Guide**  
2 Days of CICIAMS Pre - Congress Sessions and 3 CICIAMS World Congress Days

**CICIAMS Confirmation Necessary: Estimate Number of Attendees to Hold Rooms and Plan Meal**

CICIAMS	Date	Locations
CICIAMS Executive Board Meeting Estimate: up to 15 Attendees	July 31, 2022 9am to 5pm	Peddler's Village, New Hope, PA, USA Room TBA
CICIAMS General Council Meeting (BOD + 2Rep/Org) estimate up to 60 attendees General Council Meeting/ Election	August 1, 2022 9am to 5 pm August,2 2022 5PM	Peddler's Village, New Hope, PA, USA Room TBA TBA
CICIAMS XXI World Congress	August 2, 3, & 4 2022	National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, PA, USA

Golden Plough Inn, Peddler's Village  
5883 Lower York Rd  
New Hope, PA 18938  
**Reservations:** 215-794-4004  
**General Inquiries:** [lodging@peddlersvillage.com](mailto:lodging@peddlersvillage.com).

**I. CICIAMS Executive Board (Anticipating up to 15 people)**

**A. Executive Board Meeting July 31, 2022 Sunday 9a-5p**

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- A. Morning and evening bus schedule to and from the Shrine via The Golden Plough Inn: To be announced
- B. Please register for the Congress as noted above

#### IV. Passports, Visa, and COVID-19 Guidelines/Restrictions and **Update from your LOCAL US EMBASY**

A. Website for up to date information <https://travel.state.gov/content/travel.html>

[Travel.State.Gov U.S. DEPARTMENT of STATE — BUREAU of CONSULAR AFFAIRS](#)

B. All registered attendees **MUST** check US Department of State site frequently for updates re COVID 19 testing, etc.

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CICIAMS collaboration/participation: The Vatican, The United Nations  
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**Host Country:** The United States of America. Last USA CICIAMS World Congress was held 1990 in New York City.

**Host & Contact Organization:** National Association of Catholic Nurses, USA (NACN-USA), <https://nacn-usa.org/>

**Venue:** The National Shrine of Our Lady of Czestochowa, Doylestown, Pennsylvania, USA

**Date:** August 2-4, 2022 **Theme:** United in Mission, United in Faith

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**Special Speakers or Guests:** To be announced by November 1, 2021. Stay tuned to [nacn-usa.org](http://nacn-usa.org).

**Call for Abstracts/ Posters:** July 1, 2021 – October 30, 2021. Authors of abstracts/posters notification by January 1, 2022.

**Who Can Register?** All Catholic nurses (students included) front-liners, innovators, educators, researchers, and policy makers- all welcome and encouraged to attend -submit abstracts and poster proposals. Should capacity be reached, preference will be given to members and three day attendees. \*\*\*\*Early registration is recommended\*\*\*\*

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Proposals/ successful strategies for raising awareness of CICIAMS and increasing CICIAMS member associations. (Communication skills, public relations, technology tools, media, etc)

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