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Dear R.N. and L.P.N. Colleagues:

It's a pleasure to invite you and your companions to enjoy a study tour to the historic and beautiful city of St. Petersburg, Russia. Founded in 1703 by Peter the Great, St. Petersburg is one of the world's most visited cities and the best and most beautiful city in Russia. Once Russia's capital and cultural center, later suffering Stalinist purges, a name change (Leningrad), and the 900 day Hitlerian siege, St. Petersburg has survived and recovered its place among Europe's most attractive places to visit... and it's still Russia's cultural center.

There's so much to see that you could spend weeks in St. Petersburg and still have more sights to see there. The palaces of Peter the Great, from his first modest cottage on the banks of the Neva River to his stunning Peterhoff modeled on Versailles. The unending and fabulous five-building Hermitage Museum, created by Catherine the Great as her own personal museum. Alexander Nevsky Monastery, Marinsky (Kirov) Ballet and the Maly Theater where the music of Stravinsky, Tchaikovsky and Shostakovich is still played are among the many fabulous cultural icons offered to travelers.

We look forward to visiting the lavishly decorated Catherine's Palace at Tsarskoye Selo (also known as Pushkin) built by Peter the Great for his wife, Catherine. Actually, Tsarskoye Selo and all of St. Petersburg are glistening winter scenes out of Boris Pasternak's famous novel - Dr. Zhivago (perhaps you saw the Academy-Award-winning movie).

Special dinners and luncheons are planned including dinner at Podvorie Restaurant, a Russian style log cabin featuring Russian cuisine and entertainment by Cossack musicians; a visit and champagne recital at the apartment of Russian composer, Rimsky Korsakov; and a visit and recital at the Yacobsen School of Ballet. There are more visits and events listed in the enclosed brochure, which I urge you to read.

- Professional CPC tour manager
- Local guides to help you get the most out of your visit.
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- Visit to The Hermitage Museum
- Special Lunches and Dinners
- Visit Petrodvorets, Summer Palace of Peter the Great
- Visit Tsarskoye Selo, Palace of Catherine the Great

(The enclosed brochure will give you exact information about the itinerary and cost of the tour.)

The educational purpose of this program is to provide a comparative survey of the nursing profession in St. Petersburg, Russia as it adapts to Western health care practices, as well as to bring us up to date with other current developments in our profession. In addition to the study of current concerns in adult and family life around the globe, you will gain the appreciation of nursing as an international guild. You will learn about the education of other health care providers and the structure of the Russian health care delivery system.

This continuing nursing education activity "International Nursing and Comparative Health Care Systems" was approved for 19 contact hours (approval code 77CQ7M-07) by the New York State Nurses Association, an accredited approver by the American Nurses Credentialing Center's Commission on Accreditation. CPC is a licensed provider in the state of California as certified by the California Board of Registered Nursing. Provider number CEP14671 continuing nursing education activity A separate registration fee covers the optional education program.

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Your friends and family are welcome to join with you on this exotic adventure. I urge you to register soon as our Russian colleagues will make the best efforts to match our interests if they have adequate notice. At the completion of the tour you will receive a certificate of attendance. If you have any questions about this rare and exciting cultural and professional opportunity please call us.

The toll-free number for CPC is 800-621-4414.

Yours very truly,

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Catherine's Palace at Tsarskoye Selo (Pushkin)

Day 1 (D) We depart New York to St. Petersburg

This evening we depart New York for St. Petersburg. We will fly to St. Petersburg via FINNAIR. A full meal service will be served aloft.

Day 2 (B, D) Morning arrival in St. Petersburg. Afternoon meeting with Russian nurses. Tonight we dine and socialize at a welcome dinner at our hotel.

Dostoyevsky Hotel.

We arrive in St. Petersburg and are taken to our hotel, this afternoon we meet with Russian nurses. Tonight we socialize at a welcome dinner.

About the Dostoyevsky Hotel

Dostoyevsky Hotel is located by Dostoyevsky Metro station, close to the Nevsky Prospekt with all it's shops, bars and restaurants. (And in walking distance of the Hermitage Winter Palace). Rooms are comfortable and tastefully furnished with minibar, direct dial telephone, Pay-TV and satellite TV. Breakfast is a sumptuous buffet with a variety of hot and cold dishes guaranteed to satisfy the heartiest of appetites. The hotel bar is open throughout the day (with fab-

ulous panoramic views of the Northern Capital's rooftops) and the in-house restaurant offers a good and comprehensive combination of Russian and European dishes. Additional facilities include sauna, business center and access to a shopping mall located within the hotel complex. Tonight we enjoy a welcome dinner at our hotel.

About St. Petersburg

The whole world knows St. Petersburg as "An opulent town, ...a pauper's town" thanks to Pushkin; as "the most extraordinary town in the world," thanks to Dostoyevsky. It's one of the world's most visited cities and the best and most beautiful city in Russia. Founded in 1703 by Peter the Great, once Russia's capital and cultural center, it remains Russia's cultural center. The city overflows with architecture, museums and literature (Russia's great authors Pushkin, Tolstoy and Dostoyevsky, Gogol all wrote about St. Petersburg). Known as "Paris of the North", its original architecture retains its beauty, and as you walk its streets you can feel the presence of the Russian czars. Over the centuries Pieter, as its now called by its residents, has lived through sieges,

purges and tragedy but its free spirit has always prevailed and today Russia's "Great Survivor" looks better than ever. The sightseeing opportunities here are endless: former palaces of Peter the Great, Catherine the Great, fabulous Hermitage Museum, Alexander Nevsky Monastery, Marinsky Theater and Peter and Paul Fortress are among St. Petersburg's many jewels. Although you could take an age to visit St. Petersburg we're able to give you its best attractions in a week.

Day 3 (B, L) We sightsee in St. Petersburg and visit St. Isaac's Cathedral and Peter and Paul Fortress where the last Russian royal family is buried, followed by lunch at Count Suvorov restaurant.

Dostoyevsky Hotel.

This morning we sightsee in St. Petersburg. We will begin at The golden domed, lavish and beautiful St. Isaac's Cathedral which dominates St. Petersburg's skyline, and is now under church control with religious services. From there we visit Peter & Paul Fortress where Russian rulers from Peter the Great are buried. In 1998 the Royal Family of Nicolas II were buried there after being exhumed from a mass grave in the Ural Mountains, restoring Russian history. The fortress church is believed to have the most magnificent baroque interior in Europe. We will also see the Admiralty, Nevsky Prospect, the Bronze Horseman and the Battleship Aurora.

Admiralty, the Battleship Aurora Nevsky Prospect

After sightseeing we will have a typical lunch at Count Suvorov/Portchik Rzshevsky, an attractive private restaurant in the wing of the Voronstov Palace at the city center.

After lunch, we meet with



One of the many ornate staircases at the State Hermitage Museum

Russian nurses at a local hospital. Tonight is free.

Day 4 (B, D.) We visit the Hermitage Museum, including a special visit to the “Gold Store. This afternoon we enjoy rehearsals at the Leonid Yacobsen School of Ballet (and some champagne). Tonight we dine at the NEP resaurant. Dostoyevsky Hotel..

More information about the Hermitage follows but our visit to the Leonid Yacobsen School of Ballet will add another cultural dimension to your tour highlighting St. Petersburg’s performing arts (we’ve added a little champagne to help smooth your way). Tonight we dine at the theme restaurant “The Year 1913 or NE”.

About the Hermitage Museum

Located in the magnificent Winter Palace and four other buildings stretched over the riverside Dvortsovaya Naberezhnaya including the Winter Palace, the Little Hermitage, Old and New Hermitage and the Hermitage Theater. The Hermitage, one of the world’s great art museums, is vast. For example, the Winter Palace alone has 117 staircases and over 1,000 art-filled-rooms. Its enormous collection displays a full range and depth of European, Asiatic and Russian art. The museum’s “Gold Store” houses a massive collec-

tion of golden artifacts dating back to the roots of Russian history.

Day 5 (B, L) This morning we visit a hospital and meet with Russian nurses. Next we enjoy a recital (and some champagne) at the residence of Russian composer Rimsky Korsakov. This afternoon is free; tonight we dine at the Adamant restaurant. Dostoyevsky Hotel.

This morning we meet with Russian nurses at a local hospital, then we visit the residence of Russian composer, Rimsky Korsakov, an apartment located in the city center kept as it was when Korsakov was a world-famous composer. Here we will learn about Russian classical music, drink some champagne and enjoy a recital. Tonight we dine at the Adamant restaurant.

Day 6 (B, L) Today we go to Tsarskoye Selo (Tsars Village), take a sledge ride and visit the magnificent Catherine’s Palace, followed by a late afternoon dinner at Podvorie restaurant. Dostoyevsky Hotel.

Today we travel to Tsarskoye Selo and see fine examples of Russian royal residences and the marvelous suburban palace of Catherine the Great. Prior to the Russian Revolution Tsarskoye Selo was a

summer residence for tsars and other Russian nobility. After the revolution it was named Pushkin, after the famous Russian poet.

We will visit the palace and parks. After sight-seeing we enjoy a late afternoon dinner at Podvorie, a Russian style log cabin featuring Russian cuisine and entertainment. Charles, Prince of Wales and Jaques Chirac, President of France have enjoyed themselves here. Podvorie claims it’s the most Russian restaurant

in Russia...watch out for the vodka...it creeps up on you.

Day 7 (B,D) We visit Petrodvorets, the summer residence of the Czars. Later, we have dinner at our hotel. Tonight we enjoy a farewell dinner at Demidov restaurant. Dostoyevsky Hotel.

Today we visit Petrodvorets, the spectacular summer residence of Peter the Great. There are wonderful examples of architecture, sculpture, painting and landscape gardening and cascading fountains to enjoy.

There will be time for shopping this afternoon. Tonight we enjoy a farewell dinner at Demidov Restaurant..

About Petrovordets

Started by Peter the Great in the 18th century, Petrodvorets is located 20 miles west of St. Petersburg on the Gulf of Finland. Set within a spectacle of fountains and sculptures it is known as the Versailles of the North and, with 140 spectacular fountains, is easily as lavish. It is large and divided into Grand Cascade, Grand Palace, Alexander Park, Monplaisir (Peter’s original cottage), Lower Park, Alexandria Park, Paace Pharmacy (an old-style apothecary). The Orangery museum houses a collection of wax figures of prominent Russians from Peter I to Nicolas I.

Day 8 We return to New York.

This morning we board our flight back to New York, arriving there in the mid-afternoon.



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Restaurant Podvorie located near Tsarskoye Selo

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