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It gives me great pleasure to share the success of the **TECNA COURSES**(**Therapeutic Endoscopy Course for Endoscopy Nurse Assistants**) which has this year reached a significant landmark as it was the **10th successful course** since 2008. The 10th course was held at Bristol on the 10th of Feb 2012. There was a pre-course social event to celebrate the 10th course (entertained by local Bristol harpist-Marie-France Riboulet and also to thank all those who had contributed to the course over the years.



The **TECNA COURSE** to date has trained more than **500 nurses** working in various endoscopy units both in the National Health Service (NHS) & private sector. Delegates attended from the UK and various other countries which include Ireland, Hongkong, Croatia, Portugal Oman & Dubai. ESGENA representatives Jayne Tillet (ESGENA Vice President) & Jadranka Brljak (ESGENA council member) delivered an excellent lecture on endoscopy nurse training-A European prospective and future integration. The feedback received from the delegates has been very positive and the TECNA course manual in particular has been a great hit!



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The course continues to have its association with the **University of the West of England, University of Cumbria, Royal college of Nursing** and **has also developed closer ties with ESGENA (European Society of Gastrointestinal Nursing & Endoscopy and Nurse Associates).**

Recently Links have been established with the **Hongkong Health Authority** in providing training and 5 delegates attended the TECNA COURSE in 2011/2012.

Hongkong Delegates



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I would personally like to thank

1. All the speakers who have contributed to the excellent lectures over the years.
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5. Special thanks to Dr Amanda Beale (Consultant Gastroenterologist, University Hospitals Bristol, Charlotte King & Barbara Bennett for their significant contribution to the TECNA course .

If you happen to have a moment please do visit the online TECNA videos

TECNA Website <http://www.tecna.info>

TECNA Photo Slideshow <https://vimeo.com/38146027>

10th TECNA Precourse Registration & Social Event <https://vimeo.com/38067937>

Finally I would like to thank everyone's contribution and look forward to meeting you all over the years to come and at future TECNA course meetings. The next TECNA course meeting dates are as follows

14th Sept 2012 Manchester
22nd March 2013 Bristol

Best wishes,

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