International Medical Informatics Association:
Nursing Informatics Special Interest Group

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Happy International Nurses Day

With thanks for all you do for nursing informatics
from your Executive Committee - Ann-Kristin, Joy, Margie, Nick and Michelle

THANK YOU

WHAT IS IMIA NI?

IMIA NI is the world body for health and biomedical informatics. The focus of IMIA-NI is to foster collaboration among nurses and others who are interested in Nursing Informatics to facilitate development in the field. We aim to share knowledge, experience and ideas with nurses and healthcare providers worldwide about the practice of Nursing Informatics and the benefits of enhanced information management.

IMIA NI General Assembly 2023

To maximise the opportunity for attendance the 2023 IMIA NI General Assembly will be held online twice. Please note the day and time that suits you best. You can attend either on

June 26th at 2000 hours CET **OR** June 27th at 0630 hours CET

This site might be useful to convert these to your time zone.

Please send any agenda items to Ann Kristin Rotegård by 5 June and keep a watch out for the email with more information about the IMIA NI General Assembly coming soon.

2028 NURSING INFORMATICS CONGRESS (NI 2028)

Do you want to host the next NI congress in 2028? We are seeking applications from society members. Expressions of Interest and questions should be sent to ann.kristin.rotegard@varhealthcare.com.

Nominations for Honorary Members

We are inviting nominations for Honorary Fellow status. Our Bylaws state: "Persons who have earned exceptional merit in furthering the aims and interests of IMIA NI may be accepted as Honorary Fellows by the IMIA NI General Assembly".

A person must be nominated by at least one Society member or other Honorary Fellow and be approved by at least one other, with a supporting letter outlining the reasons for the nomination.

Please send your application and the supporting letter to the IMIA NI Executive Committee before June 15 for consideration and voting at this year's IMIA NI General Assembly.

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Please share this newsletter with your networks and national nursing informatics organizations.

Nurses are the biggest group of health professionals within healthcare institutions. All nurses in clinical care document on patients' well-being and problems and the care they receive which leads to the creation of a huge amount of data in nursing. The nursing contribution to healthcare often remains hidden and clinical nursing data is undervalued. One reason for this may be that the documentation is not unified and standardized languages are not used in a consistent way worldwide. In nursing many different standardized nursing languages (SNL) are available and the American Nurses Association has for example identified 12 different terminologies.

In 2020 an agreement of collaboration between the International Council of Nurses (ICN) and SNOMED International was signed. After identification of equivalencies between SNOMED CT and the International Classification of Nursing Practice (ICNP) the 2019 version of ICNP was incorporated into SNOMED CT. With the addition of ICNP the specific nursing content in SNOMED CT has increased considerably, which benefits nursing everywhere, especially with the widespread use of SNOMED CT in electronic health records. ICNP represents nursing diagnoses, interventions, and outcomes and it is available as a separate product or a reference set. The next version of ICNP will be published in 2024. The collaboration opens the opportunity to increase access, distribution, and use of nursing terminology, via SNOMED CT locally, nationally, and globally.

ICN has recently published the report *Recover to Rebuild: Investing in the nursing workforce for health system effectiveness.* **Our Nurses. Our Future** is the theme of the campaign for *International Nurses Day* on May 12 that will leverage a Charter of Change to value, protect, respect and invest in the world's nurses*.*

With the use of international terminology standard for nursing, such as ICNP in SNOMED CT, representation and comparison of nursing domain worldwide is facilitated and could be one of the actions to increase health system effectiveness. Adoption of such standards would ensure reliable and prompt capturing, storing and exchanging of nursing data and information across the health ecosystem, allowing high levels of interoperability at national and international levels.

The inaugural Nursing and Midwifery Digital Health Conference (#NMDHC23) will take place on **Saturday 8 July 2023** during #MedInfo23 in Sydney. The theme for the conference is 'Creating a Digitally Savvy Workforce.' A fascinating program has been developed, including a 90-minute session after lunch where participants will rotate through five stations to experience emerging technology. The conference offers a unique opportunity to network and learn from prominent international experts such as Professor Dawn Dowding from the UK, Toria Shaw Morawski from the US, Dr. Laura-Maria Peltonen from Finland, and local experts Dr Carey Mather, Liz Keen, Nicole Payne, Adjunct Prof Aaron Jones and Dr Nathan Moore. Click **here** for further information on conference speakers and the topics they will cover.

Upcoming Events and News

- **MIE 2023** Medical Informatics Europe 22-25 May 2023, with NI day 24 May in Göteborg, Sweden.
- Slovenia is hosting the 21st International Conference on Artificial Intelligence in Medicine (**AIME 23**), which includes AI in Nursing, 12-15 June 2023.
- **MedInfo 2023** is being held in Sydney, Australia, 7-12 July 2023.
- **AIDH Nursing and Midwifery Digital Health Conference 2023** during Medinfo23 on 8 July.
- **NI 2024** Manchester, UK, 28-31 July, 2024. The theme is 'Applied nursing informatics: Innovations in the practice of nursing informatics'. **@ni2024.** Register your interest **HERE**.

Please let us know if you have any news or events to share