

# Newsletter

January/February 2010

# Welcome to the first edition of the CNCN newsletter for 2010

We hope you all had a lovely Christmas and managed to squeeze in a few days of relaxation at home.

We came very close to reaching our target of 1000 members by the end of 2009. Hopefully in the next edition of the newsletter we will be able to celebrate this milestone. Our growing membership base will contribute to establishing a strong international collaboration with those involved in nursing care and the activities of the Cochrane Collaboration.

### Congratulations

special congratulations goes Professor Alan Pearson who was honoured as a Member of the Order of Australia on Australia Day for his service to nursing as an educator and leader in the development of evidence-based health care and clinical best practice. The Australia Day 2010 Honours List was announced on Australia Day by the Governor-General. The Honours provides national and formal recognition for a selected few Australians across the nation who have made a significant difference to their communities.

#### **CNCN Nodes**

The convenors of the CNCN nodes have a scheduled teleconference for the middle of February where they will discuss the progress of nodes and future activities. We will give you an update on the outcome of this meeting in our next edition.

An update from our Fundamentals of Care Node:

The CNCN Fundamentals of Care Node continues to make steady progress. Alison Kitson and Suzi Robinson-Malt, the coleads of the Node will be attending two meetings in Oxford at the end of February where they will be discussing the position paper which outlines how we define the fundamentals of care. Yvonne Wengstrom, Professor of Cancer Care, Deputy Director Research and Development, Cancer Care Research Centre, University of Stirling & Associate Professor, Department of Neurobiology, Care Science and Society, Division of Nursing, Karolinska Institutet, Tiffany Conroy, Lecturer, Discipline of Nursing, School of Population Health and Clinical Practice. University of Adelaide and Joanne Profetto-McGrath Professor of Nursing Faculty of Nursing, University of Alberta, all volunteers in the node have been working with Alison and Suzi on the paper. Following these meetings we hope to share the paper with all volunteers in the node and work with them to set up a work plan.

# CNCN Evidence Transfer Program (ETP) Update

We are receiving a lot of interest from our members wanting to be involved in developing summaries for the ETP program. Members who sign up to the ETP receive emails from the CNCN about opportunities to develop summaries before they are sent out to the wider membership and they are being snapped up very quickly. If you want to be involved in this work we strongly advise you to sign up at





http://www.joannabriggs.edu.au/cncn/etp\_f orm.php so you don't miss out!

Here in Adelaide we have been very busy liaising with Journals about publishing 'Cochrane Corner' columns and have managed to secure agreements with:

- The Journal of Cardiovascular Nursing
- Cancer Nursing
- The Journal of Pain Management
- Association of peri-Operative Registered Nurses (AORN) Journal

Members of the Neonatal, Paediatric and Child Health Nursing Journal have also contacted the CNCN about a 'Cochrane Corner' column. An agreement has been reached in which members of the Colleges that own the journal will be developing review summaries.

We have also now sent off our first submissions to the American Journal of Nursing and the Renal Society of Australasia Journal. We hope they will be as impressed as we were with them.

If you are associated with a journal that may be interested in publishing a 'Cochrane Corner' column or if you have any suggestions on the journals we should approach please contact the CNCN.

### **Inaugural Podcast**

Our first podcast has been put up on our website at: <a href="http://www.joannabriggs.edu.au/cncn/etp.p/hp">http://www.joannabriggs.edu.au/cncn/etp.p/hp</a>

The podcast is narrated by Dr Lisa Hopp, who is the co-convenor of the Nursing Care Clinical Trial Database Node. Hear her explain about the node and how you can be involved.

Please watch the website in the upcoming weeks for more podcasts. If you would like to be involved in podcasts or you have an idea on a topic we should podcast please contact us on cncfpodcasts@adelaide.edu

#### Translation of CNCN Materials

To help spread our message even further the CNCN is very keen to translate CNCN materials (e.g. our website, newsletters, promotional flyers, review summaries and podcasts) into a range of languages other than English. If you multilingual and are interested in helping the CNCN disseminate our information on a global scale please contact the CNCN.

## **Cochrane Nursing Care Section**

The CNC section that is set to be published in the International Journal of Nursing Practice is progressing well. Please keep an eye out for the first edition that will be available in April.

For more information on the supplement please contact the receiving editor Craig Lockwood

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### Other News from Cochrane

There will be some changes to the 2010 publication schedule. Importantly the Cochrane Database of Systematic Reviews (CDSR) will now be a monthly





publication instead of quarterly. To find out more about these changes please visit: <a href="http://www3.interscience.wiley.com/cgibin/mrwhome/106568753/HOME">http://www3.interscience.wiley.com/cgibin/mrwhome/106568753/HOME</a>

A one day symposium titled 'Evidence on trial: has it made an impact on health' will be held in Auckland New Zealand on the 22<sup>nd</sup> March. This will be followed by the mid-year meetings of the Cochrane Collaboration. For more information on the symposium please visit <a href="http://www.evidenceontrial.co.nz/">http://www.evidenceontrial.co.nz/</a>

The next issue of the Cochrane Library will be published on January 20<sup>th</sup> 2010. List some relevant reviews

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http://www.joannabriggs.edu.au/cncn/members\_register.php



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