Editorial

Kia ora Koutou

As a new editor of this newsletter, I apologies on behalf of the committee as it is long overdue. The year is going rapidly and winter has set in!

This newsletter has no specific theme, we just want to reconnect with our members and update changes in regard to the CCYN committee and College, we have encountered some difficult months but the committee has remained positive, calm and committed to our roles and can now report some exciting times ahead.

Ngā Mihi
Jackie Wade

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Committee Members as of July 2016

From top left: Margaret Bigsby, Jackie Wade, Ramona Dillon, Julie Blamires, Amberley Thomson
Bottom from left: Katie Officer, Cate Fraser-Irwin, Sarah Mckenzie, Joanne Salazar

Chairperson
Cate Fraser-Irwin - Auckland – coming off committee in November 2016 after 4 years of dedication and commitment. Cate is clinical nurse specialist working with children & whanau with liver disease and intestinal failure. Cate maintains a strong interest in youth health and advocacy.

Secretary
Sarah McKenzie - Christchurch
Sarah has been a committee member for 18 months, currently working as a Plunket nurse in Christchurch, with a background of midwifery in London and Hamilton. She has recently completed her clinical masters.

Treasurer
Amberley Thomson - Dunedin
Amberley has been a committee member since 2014 and presently undertaking the treasurer and membership roles. Amberley is a member of the Dunedin hospital senior nursing team, having held a range of roles including Nurse Educator and trend care coordinator.
Committee Member
Katie Officer - Christchurch
Katie has been a committee member since 2015 and has been invaluable with her contribution of her IT skills, with the development of the Facebook page and blog page. Katie works as a Staff Nurse in the Christchurch hospital paediatric service. Katie is involved locally with the child poverty action group and has been involved in Young Nurses New Zealand

Committee Member
Julie Blamires – Auckland
This is Julie’s first year with the CCYN committee. Julie is a proud Canadian who has made New Zealand home for many years. Currently she is a member of the AUT teaching faculty for child health. Prior to this Julie has held a number of senior nursing positions at Starship including Clinical Nurse Specialist and Charge Nurse Manager. Julie is currently completing doctorate level study.

Committee Member
Jackie Wade – Hawkes Bay
This is Jackie’s first year with the CCYN committee. She moved to New Zealand 9 years ago, bringing over 30 years of Child health work experience, with a background of both sick & well child, having worked as a hospital paediatric nurse, a community paediatric nurse, and a specialist health visitor working in neurodevelopment,( UK). Jackie is presently employed as a Nurse Practitioner Child & Youth in Napier.

Committee Member
Joanne Salazar - Cable Bay
This is Joannes first year with the CCYN committee. her present role is a paediatric Community Specialist nurse in the Far North based in Kaitaia, previous to this role she was the child health nurse educator and a former paediatric nurse for 12 years.

Committee Member
Margaret Bigsby Christchurch
We are fortunate to have Margaret as the professional nursing advisor supporting CCYN. She has worked in child health with Plunket for 19 years, also a formed midwife in New Zealand and Australia. Margaret is currently completing a master of Philosophy programme, exploring career development and training activities of nurses

Committee Member
Ramona Dillon
This is Ramona’s first year with the CCYN committee. Ramona has been with Plunket as a Well Child nurse for the last sixteen years, undertaking varying roles from Plunket nurse, to Clinical Advisor, her present position is Clinical nurse leader. Within this role she can support and advocate for best practice with well child nurses being at the coal face of community nurses on one hand and then advocate for well child nurses, children and families with other health and aligned agencies. Ramona believes she is a strong advocate for both nurses and human rights and most driven by the rights of children in every sector of society. The committee provides a forum to share an understanding of nurses practicing within the broad scope of Child and Youth health. CCYN enables a conduit from nursing research to nurses practicing in Child and Youth health.

Plunket has a large nursing workforce and in my committee member role she is able to promote both membership and access to what CCYN can offer nurses.
The Neonatal, Paediatric and Child Health Journal and the College of Child and Youth Nurses (CCYN)

Looking back and forward...

As members of CCYN, you may be wondering about the College’s presence in the Journal we have been partnering in with three other professional groups: in New Zealand the NZNO Neonatal Nurses College Aotearoa and in Australia, the Australian College of Children and Young People’s Nurses and the Australian College of Neonatal Nurses.

CCYN joined the Journal partnership in 2012 when the then NZNO Section Nurses for Children and Young People of Aotearoa were working towards becoming a NZNO College. Part of the requirement for College status was direct access to a peer-reviewed journal. It was a logical progression to join the partners in the Australasian Neonatal, Paediatric and Child Health Journal. CCYN has been part of the Journal Management Board since mid-2012 with several Committee members representing the College on the Board. Ruth Crawford has been CCYN’s Associate Editor on the Journal since that time, Rachel Wilson previous CCYN chair has served as secretary since 2012.

In late 2015, the publishers of the Journal were due for contract renewal. A consensus needed to be reached amongst the four partners regarding who would publish the Journal. Unfortunately, an agreement was not possible, which has resulted in the Journal Management Board partnered by the four Colleges, disbanding the Journal in June 2016.

CCYN now has an exciting opportunity; we have been invited by the Australian Child and Youth nurses group, the Australian College of Children and Young People’s Nurses (ACCYPN) to partner with them in a new journal, focused on child and youth health nursing. The CCYN Committee met on 17 June and considered options. The most favourable option includes the following:

Ø CCYN partners with ACCYPN with one official publication representing nurses in New Zealand and Australia caring for children and young people

Ø The Journal will reflect the diversity of its members, community care to acute care and will be international and peer reviewed

Ø A Journal reference group with representatives from each college will consult and collaborate regarding the Journal

Ø One College (ACCYPN) will provide the secretariat and executive function of the Journal

Ø The content of the Journal will reflect a national and international perspective with a focus on promoting scholarship in the Asia Pacific region

Ø Guest editorials will be extended to Asia Pacific Nursing Association countries

Cost for CCYN members will remain $20 per annum.

We are excited about this opportunity. The CCYN Committee is seeking feedback on the proposal to join with ACCYN on an official publication. We welcome your views. Please send to chairperson.ccyn@gmail.com
To inform future discussions and planning we would value member input about what you would like to see in a newly established journal, and what you would anticipate would be beneficial to your practice. We are also interested in ideas on how CCYN can support clinicians to publish, we do great work which is worthy of recognition on the international stage!

**Publishing work**

Would you like Support with journal writing? Are you thinking about publishing your project, research or conference presentation?

Perhaps you are involved in some kind of project or evaluation, or you are undertaking some higher education, or perhaps you have just made a conference presentation and would like to expand your work into a publishable format.

Ruth Crawford (RN, PhD), is happy to help writers who have work they want to publish.

Ruth Crawford is offering an opportunity to members of a teleconference “Keep calm & Keep Writing” dates and contact details to follow or contact your local committee member if you would like further information
Staying up to date with the latest available research

From the beginning of August CCYN are excited to announce that our members will receive a monthly newsletter ‘CCYN SNIPS’ which will present topical news and links to relevant practice related articles which we hope you will both enjoy and find helpful. As a college we receive a lot of requests for comment on policy that may have impact on children and young people. We will be including a summary of what topics NZNO and other agencies are seeking our input on. If you notice a particular topic that you or a colleague within your network are interested in commenting on please contact us by email secretary.ccyn@gmail.com.

Upcoming conferences

The Neonatal Nurses College Aotearoa would like us to circulate information about their conference and AGM. Please visit their website for more details - HTTPS://nncaconference.co.nz/
Preparation for our conference in November

The organising committee of the 2016 CCYN Conference is seeking abstracts for oral and poster presentations on topics across the spectrum of child and youth health research, practice and innovation.

Call for Abstracts closes at 5pm on 31 July 2016 – this date is likely to be extended so if you have a burning desire to present please do get in touch with us to share your ideas. We have now secured 2 of 3 planned speakers, details will be coming soon!

Get your abstract in now -
http://www.nzno.org.nz/groups/colleges_sections/colleges/college_of_child_youth_nurses/conferences_events

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