



Enrolled Nurse Section
NEW ZEALAND NURSES ORGANISATION

Regional Section Reports August 2017

Greater Auckland Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report

Date: 31th July 2017

Representatives Name & Title: Angela Thompson, Chairperson

Regional Membership Number: 112 (approx.)

AGM Meeting: 10th April

Last Meeting: 10th April

Next Meeting: 1st August

Education in Region

The Auckland enrolled nurse section committee have decided not to hold our annual study day later in the year due to hosting for 39th Enrolled Nurse Section NZNO Conference ENcompassing Diversity in May and also due to Waitemata District Health Board (WDHB) running two enrolled nurse study days this year.

We hope that conference attendees had a great time and took away something to add to their practice in a positive way and that everyone enjoyed the camaraderie amongst the participants, especially the tug of war, well done Northland/Tai Tokerau.

Thank you to the Auckland Enrolled Nurse Section Conference Committee for your amazing teamwork. I would also like to acknowledge Jill Harvey and Margaret Milligan for their commitment to hosting conference after they both retired from nursing and we wish them well in their future endeavours.

Thank you also to the National Committee for assisting and guiding us through the process. Canterbury we wish you all the very best with your planning and organising. We look forward to catching up next year at the big 4...0 in Christchurch.

News

Waitemata District Health Board (WDHB) continue to employ enrolled nurses and new graduate enrolled nurses when vacancies arise.

Counties Manukau Health (CMH) continues to have MIT student enrolled nurse placements with the last batch of students sitting their state exam on the 18th July. However due to CMH overflowing with patients through the winter months employment of nurses is slow but there has been some very positive feedback of enrolled nurse students and some CN's are indicating that they would like to employ them in their workplaces.

Auckland District Health Board (ADHB) I am delighted to confirm the ADHB are currently working on a supported into practice education framework for new graduate enrolled nurses. Two enrolled nurses have been asked to assist with this process, Denise Brandon who works in the District Nursing Service based at Greenlane Clinical Centre and myself. Progress is being made, currently we will be making some planned changes for the direction and delegation for enrolled nurses in the preceptor programme, and we are wanting Registered Nurses to have clarity in their understanding of the Enrolled Nurse Scope of Practice due to the fact that ADHB haven't actively employed EN's for approx. 20 years.

BOP/Tairawhiti Enrolled Nurse Section Report

Date: 27th July 2017

Representatives Name & Title: Val Scott

Regional Membership Number: 61

Last Annual General Meeting Date: May 2017

Last Meeting: June 2017

Next Meeting:

Education in Region

A study day was held in Bay Of Plenty for staff from both Whakatane and Tauranga in June. There have been no education sessions in the Tairawhiti region since the AGM/Conference. We are looking forward to visiting Hamilton In November for Midlands study day.

Current Issues in Region

Nothing major going on in BOP/Tairawhiti. Reassuring to note that Enrolled Nurses are being employed at Tairawhiti hospital, but only on the pool. Thats a start . Enrolled nurses have been manning the "Shout out for Health "campaign. We have attended the local Farmers market and had a good response to letter signing. Have more sessions organised over the next few weeks.

News

Fundraising has begun for the trip to Christchurch, We are catering for a couple of private functions and looking at selling homemade pizzas - beats endless raffles!!!

Midlands Enrolled Nurse Section Report

Date: 27th July 2017

Representatives Name & Title: Leonie Metcalfe, Chairperson

Regional Membership Number: Approx 80

Last Annual General Meeting Date: April 28th 2017

Last Meeting: April 28th 2017

Next Meeting: August 18th 2017

Education in Region

Planning is well underway for Midlands Enrolled Nurse study day to be held on November 18th 2017. The study day title is 'Embracing Opportunities' Enrolled nurses are reporting good education opportunities in their work areas. There have been a enrolled nurses submitting and maintaining portfolios at Proficient and Accomplished level on the PDRP pathway. Enrolled nurses are also working towards completing Waikato DHB online medication management for enrolled nurses. There is a compulsory module on Direction and Delegation for both RN's and EN's to complete.

Current Issues In Region

Reports of some enrolled nurses being unsettled and unsure of employment as enrolled nurses in the aged care facilities following the aged care pay equity claim.

News

We are continuing to promote our section and to increase our visibility.

We celebrated National Enrolled Nurse Day on June 30th with presentation of awards to those section members who have contributed and supported regional enrolled nurse activities, we had a good turnout including new section members who joined as we celebrated our day.

As a member of Wintec Employer Engagement Group (EEG) it is great to have a voice on behalf of enrolled nurse students when engaging with our employer stakeholders, including areas of opportunities for clinical placement. We are working with Wintec to write an article for Kai Tiaki on the NZNO and stakeholder partnership, we hope to include an update from the Diploma in Enrolled Nursing and the Tihei Mauri Ora stream. A new enrolled nurse graduate has been employed in a new ward created where patients over the age of 65 years and a variety of medical/surgical conditions can be admitted as they transition from acute admission to discharge home. The ward skill mix was for RN's and HCA's, the graduate EN applied for a position as an HCA however as she had a current APC she was employed as an Enrolled Nurse. Great to see a position in clinic was advertised as an enrolled nurse position after an EN left the area to go back to work in a surgical ward. I think there are going to be lots of exciting opportunities for enrolled nurses and enrolled nurse students in the Waikato in 2017.

A huge thanks go to Auckland regional Enrolled Nurse Section for hosting the very successful 39th annual Enrolled Nurse Conference

I would like to convey my thanks to PNA Suzanne Rolls and to the National and Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Committees for your commitment and for advocating strongly for enrolled nursing at a national and regional level.

Leonie Metcalfe
Chairperson, Midlands Enrolled Nurse Section NZNO



Top of the South Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report

Date: 28/07/2017

Representatives Name & Title: Debbie Hawkey- Top of the South Chairperson

Regional Membership Number: 35

Last Annual General Meeting Date: 08/05/2017

Last Meeting: 08/05/2017

Next Meeting: 11/09/2017

Education in Region

Nelson Marlborough Health is holding an Enrolled Nurse study day at each of the Nelson and Wairau campuses. The study day will focus on Delirium, Dementia and Depression. In the past, these study days have only been open to staff employed at NMH, but the invitation has been extended to our colleagues working in Aged Care and Primary Health. We look forward to welcoming them and learning together.

Current Issues in Region

None reported

News

We enjoyed the celebrations of National Enrolled Nurse day. Display boards and an Enrolled Nurse quiz helped to raise colleague awareness about this event.

An evening meal at the Captains Daughter in Havelock that night was well attended, and enjoyed by Enrolled Nurses from across the region. It was also a great opportunity to acknowledge and present a token of our appreciation to one of our members who has recently retired.

With a total of 483.5 years Enrolled Nurse experience, and 359 years of that served with Nelson Marlborough District Health Board, we certainly had plenty to celebrate and reminisce about. There will be a National Enrolled Nurse day article published in the next edition of the NMH Connections.

We have an Enrolled Nurse registered for the PDRP Assessors course in Christchurch next month.

Our Enrolled Nurse/Director of Nursing and Midwifery meetings continue bi-monthly, with our next meeting being held on the 11th August

Canterbury Regional Enrolled Nurse Section Report

Date: 24 July 2017

Representatives Name & Title: *Maree Hurst, Chairperson*

Regional Membership Number: 179 approx

Last Annual General Meeting Date: 20th April 2017

Last Meeting: 20th April 2017

Next Meeting: 24th August 2017

Education in Region

NZNO hosted a professional forum on 26th June – The 3D's – Direction, Documentation and Delegation. These forums are limited to 50 attendees and places fill very fast. The CDHB has online education available.

Current Issues in Region

With Caregivers being successful with their pay claim (which is deserved), Enrolled Nurses are wondering how this is going to affect their pay scale. Same ongoing issue of low attendance at meetings.

News

Canterbury is underway with planning for the 40th annual EN conference. The title ResiliENT and Resourceful was chosen because it pertains to Enrolled nursing and to Canterbury. We are hoping to have confirmation of date and venue very soon.

Deborah and Maree attended Ara to present awards to students. The 2 recipients of the awards were chosen by their tutors. Marco Monaco received the EN National committee award for Leadership Skills. Dawn Whitaker received the Canterbury EN Section award for Excellence in Clinical Placement. All the students present also received a pen and a fridge magnet. The Kim Milward Scholarship for Clinical Excellence was presented to Gemma Holdem by Kim's family. This was the first time this scholarship has been awarded.

Recently the CDHB advertised for an RN/EN for a part time fixed term position working in Infection Prevention and Control at Burwood Hospital. I am pleased to report that the successful applicant is an Enrolled Nurse!

From Ashburton – EN's from Ashburton attended an EN study day in Timaru, with good reports. Employment opportunities in Ashburton remain static.

From Timaru – Study day in May went really well, with 30 attending from Christchurch, Ashburton, Timaru and Oamaru. Topics included Parinsonian Conditions; Stroke case study; Cardiology; Professional Practice Concerns; Professional supervision; Understanding Delirium, which was excellent as we were given information about what and how to document. We were the sounding boards for a new tool being set up by Dr Stan Smith – a DEMS chart (Delirium Early Monitoring System) which is similar to EWS systems and records scores for delirium, this

tool will give Dr's a tool to glance at to see if the patient is improving or worsening. Our new DON also spoke to us, and things are sounding more positive for EN's in Timaru for the future, we were told that we had a place and they were looking to the future and hoped that this would mean more EN's would be employed, so fingers and toes are crossed.