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REPORT BACK for McCutchan Trust Scholarship Ref: H215

Name of Applicant:	Assoc. Prof. Margaret Ann Brunton
Please write a report on how the scholarship has contributed to nursing and to your own professional development. You can also attach documents to the report, for example publications, ethics approval, locality approval etc.	The research is early in phase 2, and the four researchers are collaborating on developing (currently a draft) online survey questionnaire to obtain national data. Contribution to nursing. As the funded study is in the first few months, there has been no current contribution to nursing; however, the potential is great. Phase 1 of the study provided considerable insight into the complex and concerning nature of intercultural interaction between RNs in the NZ workplace. This data was thematically analysed and the findings used to inform the online survey tool. Professional development. I have had the opportunity to apply for sabbatical next semester, which includes the option of exploring international interest in running parallel studies in the UK and possibly, Europe. This would allow further insight into what is unique about the NZ workplace and the communication interface in the health workplace. However, I have yet to discuss this option with collaborators. Progress has been slow because of my heavy teaching commitments in semester 1. It is hoped to have the online survey piloted with a small sample of respondents, refined and live before the end of May, if possible. That will provide the opportunity to maximise available time for the project in the following months of 2016. I am so appreciative of the support from the McCutchan grant and NZNO to aid in progressing this important work.

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