



## **SIG01 – Nursing Informatics**

**2019 Report - June 2018 to June 2019  
presented in Lyon, France for:**

- **IMIA Board Meeting, August 25, 2019,**
- **IMIA General Assembly Meeting, August 26, 2019**

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## **Brief Background**

**Objectives:** To champion the recognition and growth of the nursing informatics and health informatics profession with professional and governmental organizations.

To promote the cross-fertilization of health informatics knowledge and skills across academic, professional, and geographical boundaries, while serving as the catalyst for ubiquitous worldwide health information infrastructures for patient care and health research.

To strengthen opportunities for participation in the Association by all members, across all membership categories.

Bring academics, researchers and leaders together to exchange knowledge and evidence to prepare the next generation of nursing and health informatics researchers and professionals.

## **Achievements - Events and projects conducted and publications completed**

Implementation of NI2018 Light Conference in Mexico

Selection and preparation of contract for NI2020 in Brisbane, Australia.

Our major work was the development of a strategic plan based on IMIA's objectives. We arranged web-meetings to retrieve needs and ideas from all society members. At least 25 society and honorary members from all continents participated. The ideas, needs, and input was organised and deduced into main themes. These themes were discussed and further operationalised into main goals and actions. We have ended up with a realistic, but still visionary plan, with global actuality. The strategic plan voted via electronic vote and the action ideas will be operationalized at the NI SIG general assembly in august 2019 /at the Medinfo, Lyon. Please see attached Strategic Plan.

We surveyed all members to update our database and to implement General Data Protection Regulation rules and included society, honorary and working group members.

THE NI-SIG received the 2017 Working Group of the Year Award at the GA meeting in Colombo, Sri Lanka on 09 October 2018.

NI-SIG wrote a supporting letter for Dr. Suzanne Bakken for the IMIA Francois Gremy Award of Excellence.

Dr. Virginia Saba received the Informatics Nurse Leadership Award at the NI2018 meeting.

## **Participation - Engagement and participation in IMIA and health informatics events and activities**

Several of our Vice Chairs are engaged in IMIA roles and responsibilities. Patrick Weber is fully engaged at IMIA board with position of VP Medinfo 2019 and Kaija Saranto is IMIA Accreditation committee and a member of patient safety working group. Diane Skiba is a member of the Consumer Health Information Working Group.

Patrick Weber participated with several people on a Panel in Guadalajara June 2018 entitled "Forecasting Informatics Competencies for Nurses in the Future of Connected Health"; he was also doing a Keynote in Athens July at ICIMTH conference entitled "Nursing Informatics & Healthcare in the Future? Do we know where to go and how?". He also conducted a

Workshop and gave a keynote at APAMI Sri Lanka October Workshop entitle “Nursing interventions improving patient safety” and keynote entitle “Nursing informatics Challenges and Opportunities”, as well as doing a Workshop and a Keynote in Abu Dhabi UAE in November Workshop entitle “Documenting nursing brings better care and more value” and keynote entitle “Nursing and Healthcare Costs”. Kaija Saranto gave the keynote for EFMI STC2018 conference in Zagreb “ From Recommendations to teach to Recommendations to learn Health Informatics” and Ann Kristin Rotegard gave a presentation to the TIGER group about digital evidence based data system of procedures and updated knowledge.

### **Outreach - Recruitment and engagement of new members and target communities, publicity and representation at major events and/or on social media.**

**Recruitment:** We continue to work on recruitment and are making this a focus at the GA meeting in Lyon and to encourage current society members to be more active. We have to decide at the GA meeting discuss how to tackle the issue of society members that have not participated in over a year’s time.

The IMIA NI web page has been adjusted and improved. We have the actual and historical documents available for all to review. Our goal is to be more visible in social media and we have tried to increase the engagement by, amongst others, to publish informatics stories or work from various society members- on the web page. In addition, we use LinkedIn for communication with links for more information at the web page. Our plan is to increase the members’ activities by engaging in research themes or WG theme discussion sites at Linked In. We also communication frequently with all society members about announcements and work of the executive committee. The executive committee tries to meet monthly.

The Education, Student & Emerging Professionals, and the Standards group have been active this past year. The Student and Emerging Professional group has petitioned to be a working group at the IMIA level.

**Current number of members: 30 society members of**

#### **List of New Members Joined during: July 2018-June 2019**

Inge Madsen	Denmark
Paula Kavanagh	Ireland
Nicholas Hardiker	United Kingdom
Inge Madsen	

### **Collaboration - Working with other IMIA WG/SIGs or external organizations or institutions**

Several of our Vice Chairs are very active in EFMI and HIMSS community. We have collaborated for several years with representatives in Sri Lanka. Several vice chairs are working with TIGER (TECHNOLOGY INFORMATICS GUIDING EDUCATIONAL REFORM) International. Kaija Saranto is the international liaison to TIGER. Kaija Saranto is also the

liaison for the newly HIMSS Nursing Informatics Community was officially launched last Wednesday 12th of June 2019. In this link you can find the electronic press release:<https://www.himsseuropeconference.eu/helsinki/2019/news/himss-europe-nursing-informatics-community-launched-helsinki>

Several members of the executive committee have been active on the Scientific Program Committee for the HISA/NI2020 conference in Brisbane.

We have formed a relationship with the Centre of eIntegrated Care at the Dublin City University and will participate in the VALOR initiative, if funded, investigate patient related outcomes measures and patient related experience measures across four countries.