

Nursing Special Interest Group Newsletter

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Dear Members

After a difficult few years it is great to see there are some signs of recovery from the SARS-COVID pandemic. I sincerely hope you and yours have managed to weather the storm okay.

For those who managed to link into the ECFS digital conference in June 2021 I hope you found it interesting and informative. I am pleased to report that the NSIG is still working hard on your behalf to produce educational materials relevant to our practice — watch out for new developments on the educational platform coming soon. Finally, this will be my last newsletter as chair. Please see the next page for

information on changes to the committee structure as well as how to express interest in joining the committee if you wish to become more involved.

With very best wishes Nichola MacDuff



Your NSIG Committee



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Elections in 2022

At the conference in Rotterdam in June 2022 two of our council members (Nicky and Magda) will be stepping down. We will be looking for new people to join the committee. To ensure good representation from across Europe we will not be able to accept nominations / expressions of interest from France, Holland or Belgium. Please let Esperie (secretary) know if you are interested.





Travel Award

You must be from a country with less financial means, (Eastern Europe, Middle East), no access to other funds, and have several years of experience in the CF field. A motivational letter is required. Please note the closing date for this award has been extended until the 18th April 2022. For details go to the NSIG page on the ECFS website. Apply now for funding for this year's conference

Poster award

Criteria for Poster Award; creativity, content, lay out, originality, interesting to read. Scientific Nursing Committee scoring system:

- 10 Outstanding, newsworthy accomplishments, marking a major breakthrough. New disease etiologies or treatments
- 9 Outstanding advancement of scientific understanding or clinical diagnosis and treatment

8 Novel (unpredicted) results obtained in a state-of-the-art study, significant clarification of scientific or clinical understanding

- 7 Clinical or laboratory observations using standard technologies, data useful, but
- not really surprising or innovative
- Average or slightly better than average studies with some new aspects.
- Conventional technology, results expected or confirmatory
- 5 Average or slightly below average, not innovative, repetitious study
 4 Below average, confirmatory clinical or laboratory study without new insights,
- routine cast reports of established clinical entities
- Poorly studied case reports or otherwise poorly done work, containing errors of
- scientific or medical understanding

Each year a number of awards are available (see details below). This year we will be running the Travel and Innovation awards). Please ensure you tick the box when you submit an abstract to enter the innovation award



Extremely poor with significant scientific or medical misunderstanding and errors in technique and conclusions

Unpublishable results. False, bogus or unethical studies

Nurse of the Year Award (alternate years—first year to be 2023)

Nurses can nominate a colleague / nurse who has done something special within CF - such as best practice work, pioneer work for CF patients, or a nurse who has made a special effort in their CF-service This award should acknowledge a person who has made a contribution within CF, and who inspires others to think innovatively and creatively. The criteria for nurse of the year; He or she has:

 \diamond Developed a new way of working / collaborating with CF patients

- \diamond Introduce a simple thing that changes something for CF patients
- \diamond A nurse who is at the forefront and challenges clinical practice
- \diamond Clinical work seeking more research

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- ◇ A method / approach that can be used in another CF center all over Europe / World
- \diamond The nominated nurse has 3 years of experience working with CF patients

Innovation award (alternate years, last awarded 2019)

We have a session at the nursing day where nurses present (short. 5minutes) their project / idea in the field of CF/ improving care. The best project wins and gets a grant to implement/ develop/ their research. The winner will be invited to present their progress at the next conference. If they are unable to attend the conference then they will be asked to produce a report on their progress for the website. This is an award that will be run on alternate years (opposite the Nurse of the Year Award).



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The Nursing Special Interest Group are looking forward to welcoming you to the live conference in Rotterdam next year. After a difficult 2 years it will be good to be able to meet up and discuss things in person again. The committee are keen to provide a programme that is interesting and relevant so please contact any of us with suggestions for topics you would like to hear about.

