

Nursing Special Interest Group (NSiG)

Year of report: 2023

Date of initial approval of Special Interest Group:
08 June 2016

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Long term aims of the Special Interest Group

Aims

- To advance education, research and clinical skills for the improvement of cystic fibrosis nursing and care
- To create a meeting place for other CF nurses to share experiences and best practices and develop a community of practice.
- To collaborate on research and audits to promote and evaluate the quality of CF Care
- To work with other disciplines to further enhance cystic fibrosis care

Annual Objectives

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- To disseminate evidence-based best practice
- To promote, apply and contribute to further development of the standards of care for cystic fibrosis
- To provide educational opportunities for CF nurses to support their continued professional development

Outcomes already achieved:

Our annual objectives are achieved each year.

Our aims are a work in progress and in reality will never be fully achieved as they should all be on-going.

Report for this year

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Our current membership sits at 216 This number fluctuates slightly each year but has been consistently around 200 for the last few years. We are looking to increase membership numbers in the following ways:

- A regular Newsletter with updates and information of upcoming educational events and opportunities.
- Regular emails to our membership with information about the conference. We have our own email address now:
- Regular surveys to ascertain what members want from their NSIG committee and what topics they would like to hear about at the NSIG study day

We were very happy that we were able to have a regular pre-conference day in Rotterdam at the 8th of June 2022. There were about 80 participants. We had a whole day with the main topics: “Comorbidities in CF access” and “Kaftrio perspectives”. There were very nice inter-colleagues discussions.

For 2023, we are preparing a normal pre-conference day, in Vienna.

In 2022 we came more or less back to normal after the pandemic. This also led to some more committee members. We are now up to five persons, with some interest from another country. That means that hopefully we will have the opportunity for proper elections in 2024

Position	2020	2021	2022	2023
Chair	Nichola MacDuff	Nichola MacDuff	Dorien Holtslag	Dorien Holtslag
Vice	Yulia Gendler	Dorien Holtslag	Nichola MacDuff (will step down)	Malin Heiden
Secretary	Angela Röst	Angela Röst	Esperie Burnet	Esperie Burnet
Treasurer	Annick Lacroix	Annick Lacroix	Tina D’Hondt	Tina D’Hondt
Member	Sylvia Rodriguez	Esperie Burnet	Cassandra Sheppard	Sylvia Rodriguez
Member	Majda Ostir	Majda Ostir		
Member		Sylvia Rodriguez		

Members of our committee currently have representation on the following :

- ECFS Scientific Committee (Esperie Burnet)

Aims for the coming year

- Engage with the education committee to provide more for nurses on the platform
- Encourage greater participation in the main conference from nursing colleagues
- Encourage collaboration in research across Europe, which will also be a subject in the program for 2023.

Summary

2022 was more or less a regular year and we were able to normalize the contact with our membership during the ECFS conference in June in Rotterdam. We were happy to meet our European colleagues and we could start doing our networking again.

We will continue to engage with the membership in order to provide new opportunities for discussion and professional development.

Breakdown of expenses (please include total amount received as well as expenditure and, if applicable, the outstanding balance (Euros)):

Expenses incurred in 2022: €2250,- for catering and €526,- for round tables. And also a travel award (€500). In December 2022 we had €9871,- on our account.

For 2023 at the conference in Vienna the costs to be expected are: : €2196,80- for catering and €118.40,- for round tables.

We will offer two travel grants (€500,- each) and unfortunately no innovation grant, because there were no applications for that. Criteria for selection have been written in the newsletter and are on the NSIG web page.

Total amount requested for 2023 : €1000,- + expenses for the round tables and catering at the conference.

Budget amount requested for next year

For 2024 we would like to offer two travel grants (€500,- each) and as well a Poster Award (€500,-)

Total amount requested for 2024: 3 x €500,- + expenses for the room and catering during the conference : +/- €3500,-



Appendix



For ECFS board use only:

Report received in Office on:

Number of years Special Interest Group has been active for:

Report accepted / rejected

Follow-up action to be taken by ECFS