

TEMPLATE FOR ECFS SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP REPORTS

Please use this template for your annual Special Interest Group report. Please use black ink, Calibri font size 11. For more information, please read the following ECFS special interest group [Terms of Reference document](#):

Year of report: **2025**

Name of Special Interest Group:
Nursing Special Interest Group (NSiG)

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

Contact details of coordinator, vice coordinator and assistant (if applicable) including ECFS membership numbers:

Coordinator name **Dorien Holtslag**
Vice coordinator name **Annie Martin**
Treasurer **Nele Duplacie**

Long term aims of the Special Interest Group (maximum 100 words) including estimated achievement date:

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

- To prepare the nursing pre-conference programme at the ECFS, on the 4th of June 2025, Milan
- 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 (maximum 100 words):

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 (max 1000 words)

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- To promote ECFS membership

Our current membership sits at 215. 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: ECFSNSiG@ecfs.eu
- 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
- From last year conference until now we have motivated several times the NSiG members to become also ECFS members. We have explained all the benefits at last year conference, in our newsletters and also in every mail we have send.

We were very happy that we were able to have a regular pre-conference day in Glasgow and our program was filled with subjects as: “Adapting to change / new models of care”, “CF screening in adults and transitioning to adult CF car” and “Mentorship of CF nurses”.

A new subject that we will try to repeat every year is” exploring nursing research topics”.

We have had very nice inter-colleague discussions.

For 2025, we are preparing the pre-conference day, in Milan.

The NSiG committee now, has six persons, from six different countries. During the pre-conference day in 2025, candidates will have the opportunity to present themselves, followed by proper elections, in case there will be enough candidates.

We still have a great support from Paula Lomas, from the USA, who is willing to help us with all her expertise as a CFF-staff-member.

Position	2022	2023	2024	2025
Chair	Dorien Holtslag	Dorien Holtslag	Dorien Holtslag	Dorien Holtslag
Vice	Nichola MacDuff (will step down)	Malin Heiden	Malin Heiden	Annie Martin
Secretary	Esperie Burnet	Esperie Burnet	Esperie Burnet	Paula Lomas
Treasurer	Tina D’Hondt	Tina D’Hondt	Tina D’Hondt	Nele Duplacie
Member	Cassandra Sheppard	Silvia Rodriguez	Silvia Rodriquez	Silvia Rodriguez
Member			Annie Martin	Theresa Lenz

Members of our committee currently have representation on the following:

- ECFS Scientific Committee (Annie Martin) 2026
- ECFS SIG Collaboration (Dorien Holtslag)

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.

Summary (maximum 100 words):

2024 was a year with more and more experiences with Modulators which results in changes in CF care. That gave a very positive vibe.

We had some case presentation in our program and from the questionnaire we sent to all our members people it appeared that many would like to see more of this.

We also are working on a registry of national nurses networks to reach out more easily to our colleagues in different countries.

We have made an agenda, with an overview of all the tasks to do during the year.

And we are working with a Teams link to share all of our documents more easily with the committee members.

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

Status of the NSiG account at 31 December 2024:

Nursing SiG - 2024	EUR	
	7.581	Opening balance
Income	3.000	ECFS Support
Expenses	- 577	TG - GLA Gravelle
	- 500	TG - GLA Tiesinga
	- 1.813	Catering GLA meeting
	7.691	

Total amount requested for 2025, in Milan:

2 links for application for the awards a €350, -= €700, -

2 Awards a €500, - = €1000, -

€2000, - expenses for catering at the conference.

Total of 3700.- for 2025

Budget amount requested for next year (please give the amount in Euros and the year):

For 2026 we would like to offer one travel grant (**€500, -**) and as well an Innovation Award (**€500, -**). Two links to apply for those awards, €350, - x 2 = **€700, -**

Expenses for the catering during the conference: +/- **€2000, -**

Total amount requested for 2026: 2 x €500, - + €700, - + +/- €2000, -

Total off: **€3700, - for 2026**

The deadline for submission to the ECFS Office is 1st May. The report will then be presented to the board prior to the summer ECFS board meeting and then a decision will be made at the next board meeting for approval before being distributed. Please email the report to: membership@ecfs.eu

