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The Institute program on expanding the concept of evidence launched the Qualitative Assessment and Review Instrument (QARI) and Rapid Assessment Protocol Internet Database (Rapid) online programs in 2003. Other online programs will be launched in the next financial year. In addition, new implementation programs – The Practical Application of Clinical Evidence System (PACES) and the Getting Research Into Practice (GRIP) programs are currently in development.

The Clinical Information Service has continued to be our busiest program. A growing number of health services have used this program to develop their own evidence based policy and practice manuals. Given the enormity of this program and the rapid increase in evidence available, JBI staff have commenced developing this service in the form of an online database. Due to be launched in 2003/2004, this represents an exacting and complex challenge to JBI staff as it is anticipated that thousands of evidence reviews and best practice descriptors will be entered into an interactive database from which member health services will be able to construct, on-line, their own customised policy and practice manuals for downloading in PDF format.

Not surprisingly, these developments have increased the workload demands on the JBI staff of eight. Our strategic planning has clearly demonstrated a need to restructure JBI operations into a number of programs and to increase staffing levels substantially. The financial constraints that we work within make this difficult, but it is hoped that the next year of operations will be able to benefit from more realistic staffing levels.

Our ongoing operations and future development depend largely on the support of our members; the ongoing collaboration with our Centres; and the input of a large number of researchers and clinicians. We are conscious that the support we receive depends upon the services we provide and the manner with which we deliver these services. In the next year of operations JBI will be focusing on improving the quality and effectiveness of our services and on increasing our membership base. We thank all of our supporters and recognise the commitment of our hardworking staff in looking forward to another successful year.

Professor Alan Pearson
Executive Director
The year 2002/2003 has been characterised by a great deal of change in the Institute; the introduction of a number of new and innovative programs; a rapid increase in both Collaborating Centres and JBI Members; and the development of a future-oriented strategic plan.

The return of Professor Alan Pearson to assume the position of Director of the Institute on a one-day-per-week basis has resulted in the generation of a far-sighted program and this has increased workloads significantly. It has become clear to the Board of Management that the Institute needs a full-time Executive Director and is seeking ways to increase Professor Pearson's 20% appointment to at least 90% in the 2003/2004 period.

The Committee of Management continues to be impressed with the performance of the Institute and is conscious of the need to provide strong governance to support the endeavours of the Institute's staff and supporting Centres and members. In the light of this, a new Committee of Management, with strong governance expertise, is to be established in the next financial period. I myself will continue to serve on the Committee as a member, and the Chair will be handed over to a person experienced in governing at the international level. I am grateful for the input of Committee members, who have contributed greatly to the development of the Institute, and look forward to working with the new Committee of Management.

Dr Leslye Long
Chair of the Board of Management
The Joanna Briggs Institute (JBI) is governed by a Board of Management appointed by, and accountable to, Royal Adelaide Hospital.

Board membership as at 30 June 2003 was as follows:

**Dr Leslye Long**
Director of Nursing and Patient Care Services, Royal Adelaide Hospital (Chair)

**Associate Professor Kaye Challinger**
Chief Executive Officer, Royal Adelaide Hospital

**Ms Rosemary Bryant**
Executive Director, Royal College of Nursing, Australia

**Professor Alan Pearson**
Executive Director, The Joanna Briggs Institute

**Ms Debra Pratt**
Principal Nursing Advisor, South Australian Department of Human Services

**Professor Derek Frewin**
Executive Dean, Faculty of Health Sciences and Dean of Medicine, Adelaide University

**Ms Lee Thomas**
Australian Nursing Federation

**Professor Brendon Kearney**
Executive Director, Clinical Systems, Department of Human Services, South Australia
The Institute brings together a range of practice-oriented research activities to improve the effectiveness of clinical practice and health care outcomes by:

• conducting systematic reviews and analyses of the research literature

• collaborating with expert researchers and clinicians to facilitate the development of Best Practice Information Sheets based on the systematic review of the research

• participating in the dissemination and implementation of Best Practice Information Sheets and evaluating their impact on clinical practice

• designing, promoting and delivering short courses in evidence based practice for clinicians, researchers, managers and teachers

• offering direct fee for service consultancies to health service provider agencies to develop customised evidence based practice training and evidence based clinical information

• initiating primary research when indicated by the findings of systematic reviews

• contributing to cost effective health care through the promotion of evidence based practice

• planning and organising regular colloquia
Organisation

The Joanna Briggs Institute (JBI) is an international research group based in Adelaide, South Australia, linked to an international collaboration of autonomous specialty, country or state based collaborating centres – The Joanna Briggs Collaboration.

The JBI incorporates a state centre for South Australia – The Centre for Evidence-based Nursing South Australia (CENSA).

Training, consulting and research activities are managed by the collaborating centres, with all other member services being coordinated by the JBI in Adelaide.

To facilitate strategic planning and coordination of the Institute’s activities, Directors from all the collaborating centres meet twice a year with the JBI staff. In the last year the Centre Directors’ meetings were held in November 2002 and February 2003.

Management

The Joanna Briggs Institute (JBI) is governed by the Board of Management. The Executive Director manages daily operations of the JBI and operations of the collaborating centres are managed by their Centre Directors. Collaborating Centres are funded, structured and governed independently of the JBI in Adelaide. Collaborating Centres enter into a memorandum of understanding with JBI to collaborate in the provision of evidence based research and to support and promote evidence based practice.
Executive Director
Professor Alan Pearson, RN ONC DipNEd MSc PhD FCN(NSW) FINA FAAG FRCNA FRCN

Director of Operations
(The Joanna Briggs Collaboration)
Rick Wiechula, RN OrthoNursCert BA BN MNSc MRCNA

Manager Clinical Information
Amanda Roneberg, RN CardiacCareCert GradDipCardiacNurs

Special Project Officer
Kylie Porritt, RN BNurs GradDipNSc(Cardiac)

Research Assistant
Zoe Jordan, BA

Manager Publications & Communication
Anthea Court

Manager Membership & Administration Services
Roy Sneddon

Administration Assistant
Cassandra Wallace

Centre for Evidence-based Nursing South Australia (CENSA)

Director
Professor Alison Tierney BSc(Soc Sc-Nurs) PhD RGN FRCN CBE

Deputy Director and Coordinator Reviews
Craig Lockwood, RN BN GradDipClinNurs MNSc

Coordinator Primary Research
Dr Andrea Averis, RN RM BSc MSc(PHC) PhD FRCNA FGLF

Coordinator Education & Implementation
Tiffany Conroy-Hiller, RN BN MRCNA

Coordinator Evaluation
Marion Eckert, RN DipApplSc(Nurs) HyperbNursCert CardCareCert GradDipCardNurs MNSc MRCNA

Research Officer – Reviews
Tammy Page, RN BN HyperbNursCert GradDipNSc(HighDep)
Research Associates

The research associates participate in a range of activities. Principally they participate in review groups for Systematic Reviews providing an invaluable link to clinical practice and the organisations that utilise the best practice information provided by the collaboration.

Judith Berry, RN BNurs MNSc MRCNA
Marg Cattonar, RN BNurs MNSc
Barry Dudley, RN BNurs
Helen Jeffrey, RN BNurs MNSc
Tina Jones, RN CritCareCert BNurs MNSc MRCNA
Kathleen Read, RN CritCareCert IntCareCert DipAppSc(Nurs) MHA BNurs MNSc
Heidi Silverston, RN OncNursCert BNurs MHA UNSW
Jackie Wood, RN BNurs

Teaching Activities

Staff of the JBI continue to successfully supervise honours students, master of nursing science students, PhD and doctoral students for the Department of Clinical Nursing, The University of Adelaide. Staff are also active members of the Research and Higher Degrees subcommittee. Dr Andrea Averis was the Chair of this subcommittee.

Most research staff of The Joanna Briggs Institute hold clinical titles with The University of Adelaide Department of Clinical Nursing.

Mr Rick Wiechula coordinates the Department of Clinical Nursing’s course, Focused Reading in clinical nursing. Mr Wiechula and Mr Craig Lockwood provide supervision for students enrolled in this course.

Mr Lockwood’s teaching activities include RAH staff development RN Refresher courses, assistance with the Flinders University Graduate Certificate in Respiratory Nursing (at Repatriation General Hospital), regional South Australian corporate members and specialist nursing groups with specific evidence based learning requirements.

Ms Amanda Roneberg and Ms Kylie Porritt are also involved with the teaching of nursing refresher students in the area of evidence based nursing.

Strong Leadership

Reflective of the need to continue to improve service delivery and enhance the institute’s profile, the professional staff of JBI are involved in a range of activities related to clinical specialties or practice areas adjunctive to their research activities.

Professor Alan Pearson, Director, is a fellow and member of many prestigious organisations. He is Chairperson of the Residential Aged Care Documentation Committee, Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing; Chairperson, Complaints Resolution Scheme, Commonwealth Department of Health and Ageing; and a member of La Trobe University Council. He is the editor-in-chief of the International Journal of Nursing Practice and a member of the editorial board of five international peer reviewed journals.
Mr Rick Wiechula, Director of Operations, is a member of the Australian Wound Management Association, Pressure Ulcer Interest Sub Group, acts as a peer reviewer of the International Journal of Nursing Practice and is a member of the editorial board of Primary Intention.

Dr Andrea Averis, Coordinator, Primary Research, is Chair of the Royal College of Nursing Australia (SA Chapter), a member of the Governor’s Leadership Foundation Alumni Network, a Trustee of South Australian Business Vision 2010 and a member of the Australasian Neuroscience Nurses Association. Andrea is a peer reviewer of the International Journal of Nursing Practice and is a member of the Editorial Board of the RCNA journal, Collegian.

Ms Tiffany Conroy-Hiller, Coordinator Education and Implementation, is a member of Gastroenterological Nurses College of Australia and is the Chair of their Research Committee, Member of Australian College Operating Room Nurses and a Member of the Gastrostomy Information and Support Society.

Ms Marion Eckert, Coordinator Evaluations, is a committee member of the Australian College of Critical Care Nurses Association.

Mr Craig Lockwood, Coordinator Reviews, acts as a peer reviewer for the International Journal of Nursing Practice.

Ms Amanda Roneberg, Manager Clinical Information, is a member of the Australian College of Critical Care Nurses (ACCCN)(SA Branch).

The JBI was again involved in the organisation and presentation of the 2003 SA Nursing Excellence Awards and CESNA co-sponsored the award for research with The University of Adelaide, Department of Clinical Nursing.

**Culture of Improving**

Staff of the JBI have an ongoing commitment to professional development. Degrees and courses being undertaken by staff at the Institute include, Doctor of Nursing (2 staff), Master of Nursing Science (3 staff), Master of Arts (Communication Studies), Diploma in Business/Front Line Management (2 staff) and Certificate in Business.
Corporate Membership

The following list details the 806 organisations collaboratively involved with the JBI as corporate members during 2002/2003.

As members of The Joanna Briggs Institute, these organisations have made a commitment to evidence based health care, receiving information, examining their practice and implementing appropriate changes in their setting. The level of evidence based health care information provided and disseminated by the Joanna Briggs Institute is made possible by the support of these members.

The following organisations have been grouped by state or country as appropriate.

**Australian Capital Territory**
Australian Defence Force Health Facilities
Canberra Hospital
National Capital Private Hospital

**Canada**
Timmins & District Hospital

**Hong Kong**
Hong Kong Hospital Authority
  * Alice Ho Miu Ling Nethersole Hospital
  * Bradbury Hospice
  * Caritas Medical Centre
  * Castle Peak Hospital
  * Cheshire Home (Chung Hum Kok)
  * Cheshire Home (Shatin)
  * Duchess of Kent Children’s Hospital
  * Fung Yiu King Hospital
  * Grantham Hospital
  * Haven of Hope Hospital
  * Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital
  * Hong Kong Eye Hospital
  * Kwai Chung Hospital
  * Kwong Wah Hospital
  * Maclehose Medical Rehabilitation Centre
  * Nam Long Hospital
  * North District Hospital & Fanling Hospital
  * Our Lady of Maryknoll Hospital
  * Pamela Youde Nethersole Eastern Hospital
  * Pok Oi Hospital
  * Prince of Wales Hospital
  * Princess Margaret Hospital
  * Queen Elizabeth Hospital
  * Queen Mary Hospital
  * Ruttonjee & Tang Siu Kin Hospital
  * Shatin Hospital
  * Siu Lam Hospital
  * St John Hospital
  * Tai Po Hospital

**New South Wales**
Albury Wodonga Private Hospital
Anglican Retirement Villages
  * Donald Coburn Centre
  * Elizabeth Lodge
  * Flinders Retirement Village
  * Henry Fulton Retirement Village
  * Kilvington Retirement Village
  * Lady Gowrie Retirement Village
  * Lemongrove Retirement Village
  * Mary Andrews Retirement Village
  * Nuffield Retirement Village
  * Roden Cutler Retirement Village
  * St David’s Retirement Village
  * St Luke’s AL

Tsang Yuk Hospital
Tseung Kwan O Hospital
Tuen Mun Hospital
Tung Wah Eastern Hospital
Tung Wah Hospital
TWGH’s Wong Tai Sin Hospital
United Christian Hospital
Wong Chuk Hang Hospital
Yan Chai Hospital

Institute of Advanced Nursing Studies
Matilda International Hospital
St Lukes Nursing Home
Warrina Retirement Village
Winston Lodge
Woodberry Retirement Village

Australian Catholic University
Beechworth Health Service
Braidwood Multi Purpose Health Service Aged Care
Calvary Hospital Wagga Wagga Inc.
Cape Hawke Community Private Hospital
Carrington Centennial Hospital
Catholic Care of the Aged
Cooinda Hostel
Mt Carmel Village
Mt Providence Village
Nazareth Village
St Francis Village
St Joseph’s Home
St Martin de Porres Hostel
St Pauls Hostel
Tanilba Shores Village

Central Coast Area Health
Central Coast Health
Gosford Community Health
Gosford Hospital
Kincumber Community Health
Lake Haven Community Health
Long Jetty Community Health
Long Jetty Health Care
Mangrove Mountain Community Health
Toukley Community Health
Woy Woy Community Health
Woy Woy Hospital
Wyong Community Health
Wyong Hospital

Far West Area Health Service
Balranald Hospital
Bourke District Hospital & Health Service
Brewarrina Hospital & Health Service
Broken Hill Base Hospital
Broken Hill Community Health
Collarenebri Hospital & Health Service
Dareton Primary Care and Community Health Centre
Far West Area Health Service
Goodooga Health Service
Ivanhoe Health Service
Lightning Ridge A&E and Health Service
Menindee Health Service
Tibooburra District Hospital
Walgett Health Service
Wanaaring Health Service
Wentworth District Hospital & Health Service
White Cliffs Health Service
Wilcannia Health Service

Garrawarra Centre
Greater Murray Area Health Service
Albury Base Hospital
Albury Mercy Hospital
Barham Koondrook Soldiers Memorial Hospital
Batlow District Hospital
Berrigan War Memorial Hospital
Coolamon Hospital
Cootamundra Hospital
Corowa Hospital
Culcairn Health Service
Culcairn Hospital
Deniliquin District Hospital
Finley Hospital
Greater Murray Area Health Service Aged Care
Griffith Base Hospital
Gundagai Hospital
Hay Hospital
Henty Hospital
Hillston District Hospital
Hillston Hospital
Holbrook District Hospital
Holbrook Hospital
Jerilderie Hospital
Junee District Hospital
Leeton District Hospital
Lockhart Hospital
Narrandera District Hospital
Temora & District Hospital
Tocumwal Hospital
Temora & District Hospital
Tumbarumba Multi Purpose Service
Tumut District Hospital
Urania Multi Purpose Service
Wagga Wagga Base Hospital
West Wyalong Hospital

Illawarra Area Health Service
Bulli District Hospital
Coledale Hospital
David Berry Hospital
Kiama Hospital
Milton-Ulladulla Hospital
Port Kembla Hospital
Shellharbour Hospital
Shoalhaven Hospital
Wollongong Hospital

Illawarra Private Hospital
Lewisham Aged Care

Macquarie Area Health Service Facilities
Baradine MPS
Cobar Hospital

Coolah Hospital
Coonabarabran Health Service
Coonamble Hospital
Dubbo Hospital
Dunedoo Hospital
Gilgandra Health Service
Gulgong Health Service
Mudgee Hospital
Narromine Health Service
Nyngan Hospital
Trangie MPS
Warren MPS
Wellington Hospital

Mayne
Armidale Private Hospital
Castlecrag Private Hospital
Christo Road Private Hospital
Kareena Private Hospital
Lindgard Private Hospital
Macarthur Private Hospital
Nepean Private Hospital
North Gosford Private Hospital
Nowra Private Hospital
Orange (Dudley) Private Hospital
Port Macquarie Base Hospital
Port Macquarie Private Hospital
Prince of Wales Hospital
St George Private Hospital & Medical Centre
Strathfield Private Hospital

The Hills Private Hospital
Warners Bay Private Hospital

Mid Western Area Health Service
Bathurst Base Hospital
Blayney District Hospital
Bloomfield Hospital
Canowindra/Eugowra Hospitals
Community of Lithgow Integrated Health Facility
Condobolin District Health
Cowra District Hospital
Forbes District Hospital
Grenfell District Hospital
Lake Cargelligo Hospital
Lithgow Health Service
Mid Western Area Health Acute
Mid Western Area Health Aged
Molong/Cudal Hospitals
Oberon District Hospital
Orange Base Hospital
Parkes District Hospital
Peak Hill Hospital
Portland District Hospital
Rylstone District Hospital
Tottenham District Hospital
Trundle District Hospital
Tullamore District Hospital
Mosman Private Hospital
Mungindi Health Service
New England Area Health Service
Armidale Hospital
Barraba Hospital
Bingara Hospital
Boggabri Hospital
Emmaville Hospital
Glenn Innes Hostel
Gunnedah Hospital
Guyra Hospital
Inverell Hospital
Manilla Hospital
Moree Hospital
Narrabri Hospital
New England Area Health Service
Quirindi Hospital
Tenterfield Hospital
Tingha Hostel
Walcha Hospital
Warialda Hospital
Wee Waa Hospital
Werris Creek Hospital
Northern Rivers Area Health Service
Alstonville Community Health Centre
Ballina Community Health Centre
Ballina Hospital
Bangalow Community Health Centre
Bonalbo Community Health Centre
Bonalbo District Hospital
Byron Bay District Hospital
Campbell Hospital
Coolamon Villa
Coraki Campbell Hospital
Grafton Base Hospital
Grafton Community Health Centre
Kyogle Memorial Hospital
Lismore Adult Health /Mental Health Svces
Lismore Base Hospital
Lower Clarence Retirement Village
Maclean District Hospital
Mullumbimby & District War Memorial Hospital
Murringbah District Hospital
Tweed Heads District Hospital
Urbenville & District Multi-Purpose Services
Nurses on Wheels Inc
Parkview Nursing Home
Poplars Private Hospital
Royal Far West Children’s Health Scheme & Services for the Aged
Austral House Nursing Home
Drummond House Hostel
Ocean View Nursing Home
Palm Grove Nursing Home
Royal Rehabilitation Centre Sydney
Sacred Heart Hospice
Shellharbour Private Hospital
Southern Area Health Service
Bateman’s Bay District Hospital
Bega District Hospital
Bombala District Hospital
Boorowa District Hospital and Community Health
Braidwood Multi Purpose Centre
Chisholm Ross Centre
Cooma District Hospital
Crookwell District Hospital and Community Health
Delegate District Hospital and Multi Purpose Centre
Goulburn Base Hospital
Moruya District Hospital
Murrumburrah-Harden District Hospital and Community Health
Pambula District Hospital
Queanbeyan Hospital
Yass District Hospital
Young District Hospital
Southern Highlands Private Hospital
St George Hospital
St Hedwig Village
Membership >

St Vincents and Mater Health Sydney Ltd
St Vincent's Hospital
St Vincent's Hospital (Aged Care)
St Vincent's Private Hospital
Sydney Adventist Hospital
Uniting Care Mirinjani Village
Warabrook Centre for Aged Care
Wentworth Group
  Blue Mountains Hospital
  Nepean Hospital
  Springwood Hospital
Wesley Gardens Georgian Aged Care

**New Zealand**
Aroha Care Centre for the Elderly
Ashburton & Community Health Services
Bay of Plenty District Health Board
Bowen Hospital Ltd
Canterbury District Health Board
  Ashburton and Community Health Services
  Burwood Hospital
  Canterbury District Health Board
  Christchurch Hospital
  Christchurch Women’s Hospital
  Princess Margaret Hospital
  Capital and Coast Health
  Churchill Hospital Trust
  Everill Orr Care Centre
  Havencare Hospitals
  Health Waikato
  Howick Baptist Healthcare
  Jervois Hospital and Home
  Lakeland Health
  Macpherson Group
  Manukau Institute of Technology
  Mercy Ascot Epsom
  Mercy Ascot Remuera
  Methodist Mission Northern
  North Shore Hospice Trust
  Northbridge Hospital
  Otago DHB
  South Auckland Health
  South Canterbury District Health Board
  Taranaki District Health Board

UNITEC
Waiatarua Mercy Parklands Hospital
Waikato District Health Board
Whitireia Community Polytechnic

**Norfolk Island**
Norfolk Island Hospital Enterprise

**Northern Territory**
Alice Springs Hospital
Gove District Hospital
Katherine Hospital
NT Medic Pty Ltd

**Norway**
Ullevaal University Hospital

**Queensland**
Adventist Retirement Village
Atherton Health Service District
  Atherton Community Health Centre
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Mount Isa Hospital
Northern Downs Health Service District
Chinchilla Health Service
Dalby Health Service District
Jandowae Health Services
Miles Health Services
Tara Health Services
Taroom Health Services
Peninsula Private Hospital
Proserpine Nursing Home
Redcliffe - Caboolture Health Service District
Redland Hospital, Bayside District Health
Resthaven Aged Care Facility Pty Ltd
Rockhampton Hospital
Roma Health Service
Dirranbandi Health Service
Injune Health Service
Mitchell Health Service
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St George Health Service
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Southern Downs Health Service District
Goondiwindi Health Services
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Inglewood Health Service
Inglewood Health Service Aged Care
Millmerran Health Services
Millmerran Health Services Aged Care
Stanthorpe Health Service
Stanthorpe Health Service Aged Care
Texas Health Services
Texas Health Services Aged Care
Warwick Health Service
Warwick Health Service Aged Care
St Andrew's War Memorial Hospital
St Andrew's War Memorial Hospital
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Toowoomba Health Service District Libraries
Torres Strait Home for the Aged
Townsville Nursing Home
University of Queensland Library
University of Southern Queensland
Warwick Health Service
Warwick Health Service
West Moreton District Health Services
Saudi Arabia
Almana General Hospital
Saudi Aramco
Singapore
Singapore General Hospital
South Australia
ACHA
Ashford Hospital
Flinders Private Hospital
Memorial Hospital
Western Hospital Inc
Aldersgate Village/Nursing Home
Aminya Village Hostel
Bordertown Memorial Hospital Inc
Burnside War Memorial Hospital
Burra, Clare & Snowtown Health Service
  Burra Hospital
  Clare Hospital
  Snowtown Hospital
Calvary Hospital Adelaide Inc
Ceduna Hospital Inc
Christies Beach Residential Aged Care Services
Coober Pedy Hospital & Health Service
Department of Human Services
Eastern Eyre Health & Aged Care
Eudunda & Kapunda Health Service
Flinders Medical Centre
Helping Hand Aged Care Incorporated
Hills Mallee Southern Regional Health Service
  Glenview Hostel - Gumeracha
  Gumeracha Hospital
  Gumeracha Hospital - Aged Care
  Kangaroo Island Health Service
  Kangaroo Island Health Service Aged Care
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Kingston Soldiers’ Memorial Hospital Inc
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Mary Cecelia Hart Court Hostel
Mid North Regional Health Service Inc
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Crystal Brook District Hospital Inc.
Jamestown Hospital & Health Services Inc.
Laura/Rocky River Health Service Inc
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Peterborouge Soldiers Memorial Hospital & Health Service
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Northern Mental Health
Oakden Aged Care Services
Membership

Pregnancy Advisory Service
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Western Domiciliary Care
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Quorn Health Services Inc
Repatriation General Hospital
Riverland Regional Health Service Inc
Loxton Hospital Complex Inc.
Renmark Paringa Hospital
Waikerie Hospital & Health Services Inc.
Roxby Downs/Woomera Health Service
Royal District Nursing Service of SA
Salvation Army Aged Care Services
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  Gawler Hostel
  John Paul Village
  Labrina Village
  Lourdes Valley Nursing Home
Mt Carmel Nursing Home
Philip Kennedy Centre
The Pines Hostel
The Pines Nursing Home
Southern Downs Health Service District
St Andrew's Hospital Inc
St Josephs House
St Margaret's Hospital Inc
St Martin's Aged Care Facility
Tanunda Lutheran Home Inc.
Tregenza Avenue Aged Care Service
UnitingCare Wesley Port Adelaide Inc
University of South Australia
Whyalla Hospital & Health Service Inc.
Women's and Children's Hospital

Tasmania
Cadorna House

Community & Rural
  Campbell Town Multi Purpose Centre
  Campbell Town Multi Purpose Centre Aged Care
  Deloraine District Hospital

Dept Human Services
Dept Human Services Aged Care
Flinders Island Multi Purpose Centre
Flinders Island Multi Purpose Centre Aged Care
George Town District Hospital
King Island Multi Purpose Centre
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Midlands Multi Purpose Health Care
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Ouse District Hospital Aged Care
Smihtton District Hospital
Smihtton District Hospital Aged Care
St Helens District Hospital
St Mary's Community Health Centre
West Coast District Hospital
West Coast District Hospital Aged Care
West Tamar Health and Community Service

Emmerton Park Inc.
Launceston General Hospital
Mayne
  Hobart Private Hospital
  Mersey Community Hospital
North West Regional Hospital
NU’91
St Ann’s Homes Inc
University of Tasmania
West Coast Health & Community Services

Thailand
The Nurses Association of Thailand

Victoria
Adventist Villages
Alcheringa Hostel Incorporated
Alexandra District Hospital
Austin Health
Bairnsdale Regional Health Service
Ballarat Health Services
Barwon Health
Bass Coast Regional Health
Bayside Group
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  Sandringham & District Memorial Hospital
  The Alfred
Beaufort & Skipton Health Service
Benchmark Healthcare
The Valley Private Hospital
Bendigo Health Group
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  Simpkin House
  Stella Anderson Nursing Home
Bodalla Aged Care Service
Brighton Rehabilitation Centre
Brotherhood of St Laurence
Broughton Aged Care Facility
Central Gippsland Health Service
Church Nursing Service - Baptist Community Care Ltd
Colac Area Health
Djerriwarrh Health Services
Doutta Galla Aged Services
Dutch Care Ltd
East Grampians Health Service
Eastern Districts Aged Care Home
Eastern Health Service
  Angliss Hospital
  Box Hill Hospital
  Healesville & District Hospital
  Maroondah Hospital
  Peter James Centre
Edenhope & District Memorial Hospital
Freemasons Hospital
Geelong Hospital Library
Geelong Multicultural Aged Care Services
Goulburn Valley Health
Hepburn Health Service
Heywood Rural Health
Kooweerup Regional Health Service
Koroit and District Memorial Health Services
La Trobe Regional Hospital
La Trobe University
Management Advantage
Manningham Centre Association Inc
Martin Luther Homes Boronia Inc
Maryborough District Health Service
Maryvale Private
Mayne
  Bayside (Linacre) Private Hospital
  Cotham Private Hospital
  CSQU
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  Wangaratta Private Hospital
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Monash Gardens Village
Moorfields Community “75 Thames Street” ACF
Mountain District Private Hospital
Moyne Health Services
Mt Alexander Hospital
Murray Valley Private Hospital
Northeast Health Wangaratta
Old Colonists’ Association Victoria
Otway Health and Community Services
Portland and District Hospital
Ramsay Health Group
  Mildura Base Hospital
Robinvale District Health Service
Royal District Nursing Service
Salvation Army
South West Healthcare
  South West Healthcare Camperdown
  South West Healthcare Lismore
  South West Healthcare Macarthur
  South West Healthcare Warnambool
St Leigh Aged Care
St Vincents Hospital Melbourne
Stawell Regional Health
Swan Hill District Hospital
Tallangatta Hospital
The Bays Hospital Group Inc
The Geelong Private Hospital
The Northern Hospital
University of Ballarat
Upper Murray Health & Community Services
Vasey Housing Ltd
  Rumbalara Nursing Home
  Vasey House
  Waratah Lodge Hostel
  Wattle Lodge Hostel
Wangaratta & District Aged Care Facility
Waverley Valley Aged Care
Werribee Mercy Hospital
West Gippsland Healthcare Group
West Gippsland Residential Aged Care
Westbury Nursing Home
Western District Health Service
  Birch Residential Care
Coleraine Health Acute Care
Coleraine Health Aged Care
Grange Residential Care
Hamilton Base Hospital
Penshurst & District Health Service

Western Australia
Broome Health Services
Carinya of Bicton
Department of Health
Derby Health Services
Fremantle Hospital and Health Service
Galliers Private Hospital & Specialist Centre
Geraldton Health Service
Great Southern Health
Albany Regional Hospital
Denmark Health Service
Gnowangerup Hospital
Great Southern Health Region
Katanning Health Service
Kojonup Health Service
Plantagenet Hospital
Kalgoorlie Regional Hospital
Kununurra Community Health
Kununurra Hospital
Mayne
Attadale Hospital
Glengarry Hospital
Joondalup Health Campus
Mount Hospital
Mercy Hospital Mount Lawley
Pilbara Gascoyne Health Region
Carnarvon Regional Hospital
Exmouth District Hospital
Newman District Hospital
Nickol Bay Hospital
Onslow District Hospital
Paraburdoo District Hospital
Port Hedland Regional Hospital
Roebourne District Hospital
Tom Price District Hospital
Wickham District Hospital
Private Hospitals Association of Western Australia
Bethesda Hospital
Colin St Day Surgery
Kaleeya Hospital
Lions Eye Institute
Mount Lawley Private Hospital
Private Hospitals Association of WA
South Perth Community Health Service
Westminster Day Surgery
Royal Perth
Bentley Health Service
Kalamunda Health Service
Royal Perth Hospital
Swan Health Service

South West Health Service
Augusta District Hospital
Augusta District Hospital Aged Care
Boyup Brook District Hospital
Boyup Brook District Hospital Aged Care
Bridgetown District Hospital
Bridgetown District Hospital Aged Care
Bunbury Health Service
Busselton District Hospital
Collie District Hospital
Collie District Hospital Aged Care
Donniebrook District Hospital
Donniebrook District Hospital Aged Care
Harvey District Hospital
Harvey District Hospital Aged Care
Margaret River District Hospital
Margaret River District Hospital Aged Care
Nannup District Hospital
Nannup District Hospital Aged Care
Pemberton District Hospital
South West Health Service
### Individual Membership

The Joanna Briggs Institute distributes evidence based health care information direct to 512 individual members from a wide range of countries as listed below.

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The Centre for Evidence-based Nursing South Australia (CENSA) was established in October 2002 to provide a dedicated service for South Australia whose operations would focus on the needs of the state. CENSA operates autonomously and the funding JBI receives from the South Australian Government to provide services within the State is allocated as an operating budget to CENSA. CENSA’s operations follow the model of operations established by JBI including the conduct of systematic reviews based on needs identified with the guidance of a professional advisory forum; the development of Best Practice Information Sheets; the conduct of evaluation cycles based on selected Best Practice Information Sheets; and the provision of Evidence Based Practice related education.

An Implementation Seminar was held at the Lakes Resort, West Lakes in February 2003. This seminar was well attended indicative of the high interest shown by health care professionals in implementing evidence into practice.

The final QARI development workshop was also held in February 2003 being attended by the development team: Professor Mary FitzGerald, University of Newcastle; Associate Professor Jane Stein-Parbury, University of Technology, Sydney; Professor Colin Holmes, James Cook University of Northern Queensland; Professor Michael Clinton, Curtin University; Professor Desley Hegney, University of Southern Queensland; Dr Ken Walsh, The University of Adelaide; Dr Karen Francis, Charles Sturt University; Mr Matt Lewis, La Trobe University; and Ms Cathy Ward, La Trobe University and staff of The Joanna Briggs Institute.

The NICEBIRG team met in Canada connected with RNAO Guidelines Conference Ontario.

The JBI introduced a grants system of distributing activity funds to collaborating centres.

JBI Reports was launched in June 2003. JBI Reports, published by Blackwell Publishing Asia, will feature output of the JBI collaboration.

Centres were established at the University of Nottingham (UK) and the University of Chiang Mai in Thailand for nursing and midwifery, the University of Newcastle and Central Coast Health for Nutrition and Dietetics and at the University of South Australia for Allied Health.
Among the notable visitors to the Institute during 2002/2003 were:

Dr Gene Harkless, Associate Professor & family Nurse Practitioner, Department of Nursing, University of New Hampshire, USA, October 2002

Dr Moya Conrick, University of School of Nursing, Griffith University, Queensland, February 2003

Professor Helen Roberts, St Bartholomew’s Health Service, London, United Kingdom, February 2003

Joyce Wilkinson, St Andrew’s, Scotland, April 2003
Systematic Reviews

The Joanna Briggs Institute have been self-publishing systematic reviews since 1998. The 'Physical Restraint' review was the last in this series with the launch of JBI Reports published by Blackwell Publishing Asia. The Joanna Briggs Institute are pleased to have scholarly work of the JBI collaboration published by Blackwell. The journal will have ten issues released each year of systematic reviews, evaluation reports or other evidence-based research.

Over the past financial year the JBI have also been preparing Health Care Reports (HCR) for launch early in the new financial year. HCR will focus on full systematic review reports and scholarly works related to the translation, transfer or utilisation of evidence in health care. It provides an opportunity for students and other reviewers to publish their evidence-based research comprehensively.

The following systematic reviews have been published from July 2002 to June 2003.


Guideline Development

The JBI releases and disseminates evidence-based practice information sheets for health professionals a publication of Blackwell Publishing Asia.

Best Practice

Best Practice: Evidence Based Practice Information Sheets for Health Professionals is a series published by Blackwell Publishing Asia complimenting the systematic reviews of the Joanna Briggs Institute. Best Practice is designed to be utilised by practicing clinicians. The series is distributed widely throughout Australia and New Zealand via high circulation journals:

- Australian Journal of Rural Health
- The Australian Nursing Journal
- The Collegian

- Health & Community Services Union
- International Journal of Nursing Practice
- Kai Tiaki – Nursing New Zealand
- nursing.aust
- Western Nurse (Australian Nurses Federation, Western Australia)

In addition, Best Practice Information Sheets along with the source Systematic Review, if published by the Institute, are provided directly to members of the Institute.

During the 2002/2003 financial year the JBI has been working with partners to distribute information from Best Practice more widely without further increasing printing costs. INsite, the aged care industry newspaper in Australia published by DPS Publishing, is proud to be associated with JBI to disseminate selected articles exclusively to the aged care sector. The World of Irish Nursing has also undertaken to reproduce articles taken from Best Practice in their journal, with a circulation to 29,000 members. WIN is published monthly by MedMedia Limited.
The JBI will continue to seek partners to disseminate Best Practice information to allow increasing numbers of clinicians to conveniently access the best available evidence.

Partnerships have also been made to translate Best Practice information into languages other than English over the coming year.

The following Best Practice Information Sheets have been released from July 2002 to June 2003.

**Physical Restraint – Pt 1: Use in Acute and Residential Care Facilities**

Volume 6 Issue 3, 2002  
ISSN 1329-1874  Printed 122,000  

**Physical Restraint – Pt 2: Minimisation in Acute and Residential Care Facilities**

Volume 6 Issue 4, 2002  
ISSN 1329-1874  Printed 124,000  

**Solutions, Techniques and Pressure for Wound Cleansing**

Volume 7 Issue 1, 2003  
ISSN 1329-1874  Printed 122,000  

**The Impact of Preoperative Hair Removal on Surgical Site Infection**

Volume 7 Issue 2, 2003  
ISSN 1329-1874  Printed 122,000  

**Consumer Information Service**

During the last year the JBI has developed a proposal for a Consumer Information Service that will endeavour to meet the needs of health care consumers. The Institute, in response to requests from consumers and some Australian based consumer organisations, now wishes to include in its operations the transfer of evidence based information and knowledge of the principles of evidence based practice to health care consumers. The Consumer Information Service has proposed strategies to establish:

- A consumer information page on the Institute’s web site, incorporating links to relevant, reliable internet sites; access to an electronic request-for-advice service; and a data base of consumer information;
- The production and dissemination of a series of printed consumer information pamphlets;
- The production of consumer-oriented articles suitable for publication in mainstream magazines;
- The production of educational materials for consumers;
- A consumer membership category; and
- A consumer newsletter.

During the next two years the Institute aims to expand its remit to include consumers and to increase consumer awareness of evidence-based practice through the provision of high quality, evidence based information to consumers of health care in a variety of ways.
Best Practice


Systematic Reviews


Evaluation Reports


Other Publications


Knowledge Transfer


Newsletters

The Joanna Briggs Institute Bulletin is published quarterly and is disseminated to Corporate and Individual Members as well as being used as a promotional tool.

The Bulletin highlights significant achievements, promotes the centres across Australia and overseas and keeps members up to date on the progress of the Institute.

Newsletters were printed and disseminated in:
- September and December 2002
- March and June 2003

Conference Papers/Proceedings


Web Site

The Joanna Briggs Institute Web Site http://www.joannabriggs.edu.au is maintained by JBI staff with regular contributions from Collaborating Centres. The web site operates as both a source of public information on the Institute’s activities as well as a repository of evidence based clinical information available to members.

The public area allows free access to our Best Practice Information Sheet series, as well as Systematic Review extracts and protocols. The public area also includes free notice boards, research forums and general information on the Joanna Briggs Institute.

The password protected members area offers electronic copies of all JBI publications and pre-release publications. Health Care Organisations and Educational Institutions with full JBI membership can also access the clinical information database of clinical interventions and evidence summaries.

The http://www.joannabriggs.edu.au site also acts as a gateway for the new on-line RAPid and SUMARI packages.

The web site growth since 1997 has been phenomenal, with over 7 million hits since the web site first opened to the world. The growth of the web site and its constantly increasing content demanded a restructure in late 2002, with the new site being launched in March 2003. The new site structure allows visitors easier cross-referenced access to the many JBI publications and services through on-line relational databases and drop-down menus. The response to the new site from members has been fantastically positive. Feedback from members is always welcomed and is used to constantly improve the site’s appeal.

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Evaluation

Results from a survey of a random selection of 1% of registered nurses throughout Australia was published this year. The survey sought to evaluate the impact that the release of Best Practice Information Sheets have had on nurses and their practice.

An anonymous, retrospective, cross-sectional survey of Registered Nurses in Australia was conducted from June to September 1999. The overall purpose of the survey was to evaluate the impact of a series of six “Best Practice Information Sheets” distributed to in excess of 90,000 Australian nurses through journal inserts and mail outs to organisations linked to the Joanna Briggs Institute.

The aims of this study were:

- To determine the degree of awareness of the Joanna Briggs Institute (JBI) by registered nurses in Australia
- To determine how relevant the respondents consider the information in Best Practice Information Sheet (BPIS)
- To assess whether BPIS have a positive impact in regard to clinical practice; and
- To request input from end users to determine how the BPIS may be modified to enhance the dissemination of best practice information to nurses.

The survey was repeated late in 2002 to identify further increases in awareness and impact. Results of the second survey are to be published early in 2004 in JBI Reports.


Clinical Audit

Clinical audit manuals specific to aged and acute care are available to members of the Institute.

The Practical Application of Clinical Evidence System (PACES) is a program currently being developed by the Institute. PACES will be an electronic training resource for corporate members and will also be available for sale to non-members.

The program will consist of:

- A generic data base for the collection of data on a given activity or intervention whereby, based on the clinical audit process, data can be collected before and after a process of practice change as part of a continuous quality improvement (CQI) process
- A generic work plan and related data base related to problem identification, action planning and action taking
- A facility to submit data to the JBI for benchmarking against like-institutions; and an opportunity to join a clinical practice benchmarking group
- A set of electronic training modules
- A quarterly magazine focusing on practical approaches to utilisation of evidence (the Practical Application of Clinical Evidence Review [PACER]) that will include benchmarking reports
- Promotional material such as PACES badges, posters and pocket manuals

It is anticipated that this program will be released toward the end of the next financial year.
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**Total Operating Expenses** $1,098,849

**Operating Profit (Loss)** $6,373
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Ms Ann Patterson, President, Geriaction

**Significant Events**
At the end of 2002, ACEBAC updated its logo to represent a national flavour.

ACEBAC held the Fourth Board of Management meeting on the 14th April 2003. The Fifth Board of Management meeting is to be held on 13th October 2003.

The second Professional Advisory Forum was held in May 2003 with the members of ACEBAC. At this meeting it was voted that the next 2 systematic reviews to be completed will be on 'Management of aggression in aged care' and 'Medication management'.

ACEBAC will be hosting the 2004 JBI Colloquium to be held in Melbourne in September 2004.
ACEBAC seeks to further incorporate Consumer’s advice regarding ACEBAC activities. An introductory meeting is being planned for December 2003 to meet with consumers from Carers Association of Australia, Council on the Ageing, Aged and Community Services and Alzheimer’s Australia.

Notable Visitors
Dr Marlene Reimer, Associate Dean of Research at the Faculty of Nursing, University of Calgary, Canada gave a presentation for the ACEBAC Seminar Series on ‘A Canadian perspective on quality in long term care as perceived by residents, families and staff’ held at Bundoora Extended Care Centre.

Knowledge Translation

Systematic Reviews
The following systematic reviews are being completed:

- Pain Assessment in residents with dementia living in aged care facilities;
- Management of wandering behaviour in aged care facilities;
- Skin care provided to residents in aged care facilities;
- Sleep management for residents living in aged care facilities;
- Nursing Documentation in an aged care facility;
- Mealtimes in an aged care facility;
- Skills mix in an aged care facility;
- Oral Hygiene in an aged care facility.

Grants
ACEBAC received 4 systematic review grants from JBI:
- Pain Assessment in residents with dementia living in aged care facilities;
- Management of wandering behaviour in aged care facilities;
- Skin care provided to residents in aged care facilities;
- Sleep management for residents living in aged care facilities.

ACEBAC received a La Trobe University faculty grant to complete a systematic review on ‘Behaviours of concern among people living in residential aged care’.

ACEBAC - $69,000 Four Systematic Reviews and publication of BPIS and full Report, JBI.


- Koch B. (2003) Online care planning and documentation tools for aged care, $90,000 research and developmental costs provided BZ Solutions.


- Garratt S. (2003) $15,000 Auditing of the Division 2 program for OTTE.


Knowledge Transfer

Journal Articles and Reports


Presentations

Professor Rhonda Nay gave a presentation at St Andrew’s Village in Ballina in NSW on ‘Implementing new practices to improve resident outcomes and staff satisfaction’.

Professor Rhonda Nay gave a presentation at the Australian Association of Gerontology (WV) on ‘Admission and discharge for people with dementia’.

Workshops/Courses

ACEBAC conducted a clinical audit workshop at a corporate member facility, Otway Health on the 4th March 2003.

Professor Rhonda Nay conducted a workshop for the Department of Health in Western Australia on ‘Fact or Fiction: Putting evidence into aged care nursing’.

Promotion and Exhibits

ACEBAC held exhibits at the February 2003 Alzheimer’s Association exhibition in Melbourne and at the November 2003 Australian Association of Gerontology exhibition in Tasmania.

Knowledge Utilisation

Education and Training

ACEBAC conducted 3 presentations as part of the regular Seminar Series for health care professionals speaking on evidence based practice during 2002 – 2003. Topics include: Anne Pitcher, Behaviours of concern among people living in residential aged care; Professor Annette Street, Dying in place: Palliative Care in aged care settings; Deirdre Fetherstonhaugh, Acute and sub acute admission and discharge for people with dementia: What’s better practice?.

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Ms Kathy Mott, Consumer Representative

Management Committee
Associate Professor Karen Grimmer  
Professor David Wilkinson  
Professor Esther May  
Dr Susan Hillier  
Dr Sara Jones  
Ms Maureen Wilkinson

Significant Events
Launch of CAHE on 26th August 2003  
First steering committee meeting  
Receipt of funding from DHS for two years  
Success in three JBI grants during 2003 (two systematic reviews, one special project)  
Completion first systematic review for industry (by Dr Susan Hillier for Dept Education and Children’s Services)  
Commencement of first training program for allied health clinicians  
Completion of first training program for CAHE staff

Notable Visitors
Professor Kit Vaughan, University of Capetown (world recognised biomechanist) who visited the centre for a week in July to discuss evidence in biomechanical analysis  
Associate Professor Gwen Jull and Ms Paula Bowman, who flew from Brisbane to attend the inaugural steering committee meeting
Knowledge Translation

Systematic reviews
Evidence for the school-based management of children with developmental delay
Evidence for exercise to improve balance in the elderly
Evidence for the physiotherapy management of stroke patients
Evaluation of critical appraisal instruments to develop a specific allied health tool
Evidence and knowledge gaps in discharge planning initiatives

Guideline Development
Management of headache by non-drug methods

Knowledge Transfer

Journal articles

Presentations
Saravana Kumar presented two papers on aspects of evidence based practice at the World Confederation of Physical Therapists in Barcelona in July 2003
Three papers will be presented by students on evidence-based practice, or current evidence for specific physiotherapy conditions, at the International Conference of Manipulative Therapists in Sydney, Nov 2003.
Karen Grimmer presented two papers in Manila at the University of Santo Tomas on evidence-based philosophy in allied health in Sept 2003

Workshops / Courses
A six session workshop is currently being presented to clinicians (advertised through Directors of Allied Health Group) on aspects of evidence-based practice. Workshops present an overview of searching for evidence, critiquing it, and identifying study design aspects.

Two preliminary workshops were presented by JBI staff for UniSA staff in 2002 on aspects of critiquing evidence

A four day intensive workshop is planned by JBI for CAHE in December 2003

A session will be run by CAHE staff for UniSA staff on developing protocols for systematic reviews

Promotion
The centre launch produced an ideal opportunity to promote allied health evidence, and JBI. Discussions have been had with allied health organisations in South Australia and nationally regarding collaborative activities in establishing and undertaking search ideas, and implementing practices based on resultant evidence. A strong collaborative relationship has been established with WCH already, resulting in a grant application for funding to conduct a systematic review, and to mentor a staff member in undertaking this review. Similar relationships will be established with other organisations in 2004.

Knowledge Utilisation

Evidence-based research
Impact of curriculum on knowledge of spinal health, and spinal health behaviours, in adolescents

Education and Training
All courses conducted are evaluated by attendees with respect to quality of information provided, usefulness and relevance to their needs
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Faculty of Medical and Health Sciences,
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Auckland,
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Gigi Lim

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(Auckland District Health Board), Associate
Director of Nursing (Maori)

Management Committee
Executive Director of Nursing and Midwifery
(Auckland District Health Board), Head of School
of Nursing (University of Auckland), Director of
CEBNA

Staff Changes
Catherine Tracy (now focusing on the migration to
the new hospital)
Andrew Jull (PhD student, University of Auckland)

Significant Events
The migration of the four hospitals in Auckland
District Health Board onto one site (commencing
October 2003, due for completion in April 2004)
A new sub group of the centre team has been
created as an initiative to increase awareness of
ABP within ADHB. They are known as Liaison
Nurses and there are currently 6 of these,
representing a range of clinical areas. The
efficacy of these is to be measured after 6
months.

ADHB Clinical Board has been formed and the
CEBNA Director is a key member
Two HRC bids were submitted but were
unsuccessful in obtained funding. Another, an
evaluation of the Primary Health Care Strategy, in
collaboration with academics in Wellington who
will lead the project, was successful and has been
granted $1m funding over 3 years.

Notable Visitors
Professor Judith Parker (University of Melbourne),
Associate Professor Tracey Bucknall (University
of Melbourne)

Knowledge Translation
Systematic Reviews
Brosnahan J, Jull A, Tracy C. Types of urethral
catheters for management of short-term voiding
problems in hospitalised adults. A Cochrane
review due for completion October 2003.
Guideline Development
Feedback given to many consultative documents produced by NZ Guidelines group.

Evidence Based Research
Evaluating the effect of a multi-faceted action-orientated approach to the promotion of evidence based practice: led by Dr Bridie Kent; due for completion in July 2004.
Evaluating attitudes to tissue donation: led by Dr Bridie Kent, due for completion, February 2004
Assessing the impact of education on knowledge and coping among adults with congenital cardiac defects, Annette Neugebauer and Bridie Kent, due for completion in 2004
The efficacy of nurse-led clinics to delay onset of renal failure among Maori and Pacific Island populations due for completion in 2004.
Catherine Tracy has completed her Master thesis in which she explored the use of decision support systems to assist clinicians to make better decisions related to urine.
Sid Cuthbertson is undertaking a study exploring the use of vacuum assisted drainage in critical care in order to standardize practice, due for completion in 2004.

Grants
Brosnahan J. Conference attendance award from Ministry of Health New Zealand, 2003 $1500
Brosnahan J. Assistance award from NZ Guidelines Group to attend the Cochrane Collaboration Workshop, Sydney, 2002. $500

Knowledge Transfer
Journal Articles
Brosnahan J. (2003) Supplementation with key nutrients reduced postoperative infections and length of hospital stay after gastrointestinal surgery. Evidence-Based Nursing, 6(2), 47.
Brosnahan J. (2003) Treatment of scalp lacerations with a hair apposition technique reduced scarring, pain, and procedure duration compared to suturing. Evidence-Based Medicine, 8(1), 24.
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Presentations


Workshops/Courses

Two-day workshop: Taranaki District Health Board, December 2002

Three-day workshop: Auckland District Health Board, October 2002, April 2003 and August 2003

Promotion and Exhibits

College of Nurses, NZ Auckland, 2003

College of Nurses NZ conference, Wellington, 2003

3rd Asia Pacific Forum on Quality Improvement in Health Care, Auckland, NZ, 2003

Nursing Expo, Auckland, 2003

Nurses’ day, Auckland, 2003

Nursing Expo, Auckland, 2002

Knowledge Utilisation

Evaluation Cycles


Education and Training

New staff programme, Auckland District Health Board (monthly) 2002 and 2003

New graduate programme, Auckland District Health Board (6 sessions each year) 2002 and 2003

Evidence Based Practice paper (720): University of Auckland, Auckland, Autumn and Spring 2003, University of Auckland, Waikato, Autumn and Spring 2003

Auckland University of Technology (twice yearly) 2002 and 2003

Counties Manukau District Health Board, Intensive Care Unit, 2003
Hong Kong Centre for Evidence Based Nursing

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Esther Lee Building
Chung Chi College
The Chinese University of Hong Kong
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Dr William Wong, Department of Paediatrics, Prince of Wales Hospital
Ms Betty Woo, Chief Nursing Officer, Department of Health

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Professor Sally Chan, Professor, The Nethersole School of Nursing, CUHK
Professor Janita Chau, Associate Professor, The Nethersole School of Nursing, CUHK
Ms Karen Cheung, Nurse Specialist, Neonatal Unit, Prince of Wales Hospital
Ms Rossini Lam, Nursing Officer, Surgical, Prince of Wales Hospital
Professor Lam Lai Wah, Assistant Professor, The Nethersole School of Nursing, CUHK
Ms Idy Lee, Nurse Specialist, Oncology, Prince of Wales Hospital
Professor Violeta Lopez, Professor, The Nethersole School of Nursing, CUHK

Significant Events
Professor David Thompson has been appointed the Director of Hong Kong Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery.

The HKCEBNM has decided to change the name to Hong Kong Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and abbreviated the title as ‘HKCEBN’.

Meetings have been scheduled with the management committee to discuss the progress made towards implementation and the future directions of the HK centre. The centre will continue to strengthen links with the Hospital Authority (HA) and the focus of work will be on promotion, dissemination and implementation of evidence based practice. The centre will offer support to the local hospitals concerning development, synthesis, dissemination and
implementation of evidence, development of tools and guidelines, and advocacy to strengthen nursing services.

The directors had a meeting with HA executives and HA nursing section is keen to work with the HKCEBN. Some discussions were made related to the contribution of resources for future collaborative projects, including the conduct of systematic reviews.

In order to focus efforts and maximise resources on promoting evidence based nursing practice, the Management Committee has decided to dissolve the Advisory Panel. The management committee of the centre will continue to plan, promote and facilitate the activities of the HKCEBN.

The terms of reference for Management Committee have been revisited and it was agreed to expand the current membership of the Management Committee. The members will comprise nurses from the three universities that have nursing departments and from the health care and policy sectors in Hong Kong.

Notable Visitors
October 2002, Eighteen delegates for the Mainland China Nursing Education Academics
November 2002, Dr Fongchem Tilokskulchai, Associate Dean for Research at the Faculty of Nursing Mahidol University, Bangkok, Thailand

Knowledge Translation
Systematic Reviews
The clinicians from HA hospitals have drafted a list of subject areas for potential systematic review. The topics include; pin site dressing; care of patients with central line; oxygen therapy; burn wound dressing; skin preparation; last office; nebulizing solution with mechanical ventilation; continuous enteral feeding; management of patients with learning disabilities displaying challenging behaviors; inhaler medication administration; insulin therapy; chest drain removal practice; method of immobilization of a trauma patient; management of tracheal access (including Endotracheal tube and tracheostomy tube); administration of oxygen and humidification therapy; management of patients with cardiac arrest; management of patients receiving different kinds of procedure of therapies; management of hypoglycaemia; compare different types of dressing materials; and communicating with patient suffering from terminal diseases.

The HK centre in collaboration of NSWCEBN is conducting a systematic review on Inserting and maintaining the nasogastric tube for adult patients. The topic was nominated by local frontline clinical staff and had gone through wide consultation with the support from Hospital Authority Head Office Nursing Section.

Professor Thompson has continued to contribute to the Cochrane review of exercise based cardiac rehabilitation for coronary heart disease. This is a collaborative review with centres in the UK, Canada, USA and China.

Guideline Development
A guideline on ‘Management of short term indwelling urinary catheters’ was developed based on a systematic review and Best Practice Information Sheet.

Grants
The HK centre in collaboration of NSWCEBN has obtained a grant from JBI to conduct the systematic review on Inserting and maintaining the nasogastric tube for adult patients.
Knowledge Transfer

Journal Articles


Presentations


Chow VKL, Li CYN, Chau JPC, Chang AM. (2002) Implementing best practice in the prevention and management of pressure ulcers at an acute hospital in Hong Kong. In S Twinn, S Chan, J Chau, WY Ip, V Lopez, A Shiu and B Yam (Eds.), Proceedings of the second Pan-Pacific nursing conference (p. 79). Hong Kong: The Nethersole School of Nursing, Chinese University of Hong Kong.


Workshops/Courses


Promotion and Exhibits

September 2002, China Science and Technology Expo, Hong Kong Central Library.


Knowledge Utilisation

New Territory East (NTE) Cluster Hospitals

The implementation of the EB Protocol “Prevention and management of pressure ulcers” continue. Concurrent audits were conducted every three months to enable continued review of the delivery of care that includes nurses’ compliance to the protocol. Reinforcement and feedback have been provided to staff at departmental meetings using the monthly audit information related to hospital acquired pressure sore incidence.
Seven NTE cluster hospitals are working on the same project ‘Management of short term indwelling urinary catheters’. The commencement of the project has been delayed due to the outbreak of SARS in March 2003.

**Kowloon Central Cluster Hospitals**

The collaboration with the HA hospitals to promote the implementation of EB practice has been extended to Kowloon Central Cluster hospitals including the Hong Kong Buddhist Hospital, Hong Kong Eye Hospital, Kowloon Hospital and Queen Elizabeth Hospital. Support was provided based upon request in several areas such as the development and implementation of EB protocols, the conduct of audits to evaluate best practice and the development of action plans. The Kowloon central EB committee is currently engaged in a project on ‘Management of short term indwelling urinary Catheters’. The drafting of the protocol is at the final stage and the implementation has been delayed due to the outbreak of SARS.
Advisory Committee

Ms Jennie West, Area Director Clinical Services and Nursing, Hunter Area Health Service.

Dr Jane Cioffi, School of Nursing, Family and Community Health, College of Social & Health Science, University of Western Sydney.

Ms Jane Dent, Executive Director, NSW Nurses Registration Board

Ms Rosemary Chester, Area Director of Nursing and Clinical Services, South Western Sydney Area Health Service.

Ms Donna Lennon, Nurse Educator, Greater Murray Area Health Service.

Dr Cecilia Lau, Senior Analyst – Nursing Information, Nursing and Midwifery Office, NSW Health Department.

Ms Rosemary Bryant, Executive Director, Royal College of Nursing Australia.

Ms Debbie Young, Co-Ordinator of Nursing Services, New England Area Health Services.

Ms Moira Williamson, Australian College of Midwives

Management Committee

Professor Rhonda Griffiths, Professor of Nursing, School of Nursing, Family and Community Health, College of Social & Health Sciences, University of Western Sydney, Director, South West Sydney Centre for Applied Nursing Research, Director, NSW Centre for Evidence Based Health Care, South Western Sydney Area Health Service.

Ms Ritin Fernandez, Nurse Manager, Clinical Practice Review Network, South Western Sydney Centre for Applied Nursing Research, Deputy Director NSW Centre for Evidence Based Health Care, Adjunct Research Fellow, University of Western Sydney.

Professor Maree Johnson, Research Professor, School of Nursing, Family and Community Health, College of Social & Health Sciences, University of Western Sydney.

Ms Rachel Langdon, Research Assistant, Centre for Applied Nursing Research.

Ms Margaret Piper, Research Assistant, Centre for Applied Nursing Research.

Professor John Daly, Dean, School of Nursing, Family & Community Health University of Western Sydney.
Dr Josephine Chow
Nurse Unit Manager, CAPD Clinic & Home Haemodialysis Training Unit, Manager, Renal Research Unit, Honorary Associate, Faculty of Nursing, The University of Sydney Research Associate, Joanna Briggs Institute.

Ms Sandy Eagar, Nurse Manager, Professional Development, Macarthur Health Service.

Ms Jenny Morris, Clinical Nurse Consultant, Emergency Services, Liverpool Health Service.

Staff Changes

Resigned, Ms Venita Devi (Secretary).

Completed Research, Mr Narian Nadarajah (Research Assistant) Ms Maria Mostacchi (Project Officer)

New Staff, Ms Philomena Kaarma (Secretary to the Professor), Ms Sandy Middleton (Senior Research Fellow), Ms Fleur Trezise (Project Officer)

Knowledge Translation

Systematic Reviews

Published


In Progress

The effectiveness of patient education for people with a mental health diagnosis.


Best Practice Information Sheet

Solutions, Techniques and Pressure for Wound. The Joanna Briggs Institute

Guideline Development

Professor Griffiths was invited to convene a Working Party on behalf of the Australian Diabetes Educator’s Association to develop National Standards for the Initiation of Insulin Therapy in Ambulatory Settings. She was also invited to join a Consortium developing National Standards for Asthma Education.

Grants


Griffiths R, Fernandez R. (2003) Effectiveness of an intervention to enhance integration of Evidence Based Guidelines in the clinical setting. South Western Sydney Area Health Service

Griffiths R, Johnson M. (2002) Developing the role of Primary Health Nurses in screening of vulnerable groups. South Western Sydney Area Health Service

Knowledge Transfer

Journal Articles

Presentations

Education and Training
The NSW Centre for Evidence Based Health Care conducted workshops around the State focussing on evidence based practice and guideline development. Two day workshops were conducted at Liverpool, Wagga Wagga, Albury and Dubbo, and several half day workshops at Lismore, Coffs Harbour and Port Macquarie with other presentations at Westmead, Bankstown and at the University of Western Sydney.

Promotion and Exhibits
Presentations were made at research seminars and information days around Sydney including South Western Sydney Area Health Service hospitals and the University of Western Sydney.

Knowledge Utilisation

Evaluation Cycles
The NSW Centre has commenced an evaluation cycle of the BPIS titled Solutions, Techniques and Pressures for Wound Cleansing. Twenty one sites in New South Wales, South Australia and Western Australia are participating.
Significant Events

The University of Nottingham officially joined the JB Collaboration in July 2003. We chose to join as a commitment to work with practice colleagues in an international collaboration in order to enhance the evidence available to improve practice.

We have established our initial Management Committee, with plans for finalising the draft remit (still currently under discussion) and extension of membership to include users and carers and increase practice links with mental health, midwifery and primary care. We anticipate the establishment of a Business Committee, accountable to the larger Management Committee.

The three meetings of the Management Committee have begun the process of identifying possible areas for review. The fourth meeting of the committee is scheduled for early December and will discuss:

- Management group remit
- Reports from the committee of directors meeting key areas of focus for reviews in the centre
- Training events
- Promotion: proposed links with Practice Development Forum
- Integration of JBI protocols as basis of proposals for EBP modules (post-registration courses)

Discussions with Rick Wiechula and Alan Pearson re: workshop on training, with possibility of Peter Wimpenny and colleagues from Aberdeen joining in. Postponed until late spring/early summer to ensure full attendance across the five days. To be linked with launch event for the Centre.
**Notable Visits**

Rhonda Griffiths, Director New South Wales Centre, South Western Area Sydney Health Service

**Knowledge Translation**

These are early days in the development of the research. We will be building on staff skills in Cochrane reviews as well as introducing JBI protocols across a wider group to ensure critical mass.

**Current Cochrane Reviews**

Dr Judith Tanner – range of reviews at Derby Acute Hospital (including wound care)

Dr Fiona Bath – Basal Cell Carcinoma

Dr Sara Owen – Women with long term mental health problems

Helen Dobbins – Alopecia protocol

**Protocol Reviews**

Managing wandering behaviour of older people (Dr Tony Arthur)

Management of adults with borderline personality disorder (Dr Sara Owen)

**Education**

Continuation of jointly developed EBP module with Melbourne and Auckland.
Advisory committee meetings were held:
23/08/02, 12/12/02, 30/01/03, 27/03/03 and
21/05/03

The members of the Advisory Committee have
been renewed in accord with nominations from
the representative organisation. Dr Elizabeth
Davies is the Chairman.

Terms of reference have been revised.

Agreed to establishment of a Management
Committee.

Management committee meetings were held:
08/07/03 and 07/08/03

A Mater Health Services Management Committee
has been established.

QCEBNM Management Committee Terms of
Reference have been accepted.

**Staff Changes**

There has been a restructure of the Mater
Nursing Research Centre (NRC) with the
discontinuation of the previous 2 Nurse
Researcher positions. New staff in the NRC will
commence early in 2004. Ms Audra deWitt is
employed as a Project Officer (.2) for the
QCEBNM.

**Significant Events**

Advisory committee met August and December

Management committee established and
participated in development of the strategic plan
for QCEBNM and in actioning of that plan.

**Knowledge Translation**

**Systematic Reviews**

review of the literature in relation to continuing
care of people diagnosed with a persistent
vegetative state (unpublished report) Tendered
project from the Dept Health and Aged Care and
NH&MRC

**Evidence Based Research**

A multidisciplinary approach to fatigue
management in newly diagnosed cancer patients.
A Mitchell (project coordinator/Principal
Investigator), C Bradbury/C Buttrum, V Corcoran,
E Grafton, T Hall, A Hyatt, S McCray/ K Plett, A
O’Malia, M Tefay, S Tepes, T Wood

Education support for Carers. D Prior (ACU), M
Foster, S Miles (ACU/MATER) A Mitchell, A
O’Malia, C Boyd (Mater/ACU)

Pain and vomiting in tonsillectomy and adeno-
tonsillectomy (P Denton, Z Gilbride, P Ramritu)

Parental participation in children’s care during
hospitalisation. (P Ramritu and C Keyte)

Exploring paediatric nurses experience of
negotiating and maintaining professional
boundaries (P Darbyshire; E Pugh; K Walker,
P Ramritu)
Grants

Knowledge Transfer

Journal Articles


Presentations

Ramritu P. The continuing care of person in the persistent vegetative state; an ethical perspective. 13th International Nursing Research Congress: The adventures of nursing practice through research: how far have we come – where to from here? 24 –26 July 2002 Brisbane Sheraton, QLD. (Sigma-Theta Tau International and Royal College of Nursing Australia).

Posters

Education and Training


Mitchell A. Introduction to evidence based nursing practice – 3.5hr in-service education session at St Andrews War memorial Hospital, Brisbane. December 2002
Thailand Centre for Evidence Based Nursing and Midwifery

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Dr Pikul Nantachaipan

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Wilawan Pichiansathian
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Seephan Kuntawang
Yupin Phianmongkhol
Duangrudee Lasuka
Sirirat Panuthai
Srimana Niyomkar

Laddawan Singhakhumfu
Nuttamon Vuttanon
Aree Thummo

Significant Events
Opening Ceremony November 7, 2002

Knowledge Translation
Systematic Reviews
Three systematic review protocols are being reviewed by the research team of Thailand Centre:

Unplanned Endotracheal Extubation among Critical Ill Patients
Weight Control among Overweight Adolescents
Positioning for Alleviating Labor Pain

Knowledge Transfer
Workshops/Courses

Workshop on Development of Systematic Review Topic and Protocol, Jan 31-Feb 1, Mar 7 2003, Faculty of Nursing, Chiang Mai University, 30 participants

Workshop on Systematic Review and Evidence-Based Nursing, May 24-25, 2003, Faculty of Nursing, Prince of Songkla University, 60 participants

Workshop on Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing, June 13, 2003, Maharaj Nakorn Chiang Mai Hospital, 120 participants

Workshop on Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing, July 17-18, 2003, Maharaj Nakorn Chiang Mai Hospital, 100 participants

Workshop on Evidence-Based Practice in Nursing, Sep 20-21, 2003, Faculty of Nursing, Chiang Mai University, 100 participants

Workshop on Systematic Review, Oct 25-26, 2003, Faculty of Nursing, Chiang Mai University, 100 participants

Promotion and Exhibitions
May, 2003 - Promotion activity at Faculty of Nursing, Chiang Mai University

Promotion activities have been presented in every workshops conducted by the Thailand centre

Member Recruitment
Ten Individual members were recruited during June-July, 2003

The purpose of the Thailand Centre for the first year is to promote understanding about systematic review and evidence-based nursing among Thai nurses and healthcare facilities.
Advisory Committee

The Coordinating Council met on Thursday 11th November, 2002. The Coordinating Council consists of Directors of Nursing, Academics representing all Victorian Universities, Principal Nurse Advisor DHS, representatives from RCNA and ANF.

Management Committee

The Executive Committee meets quarterly to oversee the management of the Centre. The committee members are: Professors Judith Parker, Linda Johnston, Sanchia Aranda and Megan Jane Johnson (RMIT), A/Profs Tracey Bucknall and Jill Teschendorff (VUT) Ms Elizabeth Eadie (DON Colac Hospital), Ms Fiona Hearn (RDNS), Ms Ella Lowe (La Trobe University), Ms Belinda Moyes (DHS).

Notable Visitors

Dr Bridie Kent, Director of Clinical Nursing Research / CEBNA, University of Auckland, New Zealand.

Professor Brendan McCormack University of Ulster, Ireland.

Dr Kim Manley Royal College of Nursing United Kingdom.

Knowledge Translation

Systematic Reviews


Hewitt N, Bucknall T, Johnston L. The respiratory and haemodynamic response to lateral patient positioning in critically ill patients. (Current)

Grants

Bucknall T, Walter J, Presneill J, Manias E. (2001/2) Evaluating the effectiveness of protocol-directed sedation management with non protocol-directed sedation management on mechanically ventilated patients in an Australian Intensive Care Unit. Australian College of Critical Care Nurses’ Abbott Research Grant ($10,000)

Johnston L, Parker J. (2000/3) The role of the nurse in the development of evidence-based clinical pathways: the impact of interdisciplinary collaboration on health care. ARC Strategic Partnerships with Industry Research and Training Scheme ($63,240) Ongoing


Knowledge Transfer

Journal Articles


Presentations


Johnston L. (2002) 4th Breaking Through the Myths Seminar, Royal Brisbane Hospital, Royal Women’s Hospital and Health Service Districts, Brisbane


Johnston L. ‘An evidential base for clinical practice: the assumptions and the application’ 30th Annual Meeting of Japanese Society of Intensive Care Medicine, February, Japan (Keynote)


Workshops/Courses

A series of EBP workshops were conducted at the Box Hill Hospital August 2002.

The VCNPR ran a multidisciplinary Clinical Research Fellowship program with the Peter MacCallum Cancer Institute in September, 2002.

A Clinical Research Fellowship program was conducted at the University of Melbourne in April for metropolitan and rural participants.

A rural Clinical Research Fellowship program was conducted at the Goulburn Valley Base Hospital, Shepparton in November 2002. Three further programs have been scheduled for the 2003.

Dr Marie Gerdtz conducted workshops with Emergency nurses in Launceston, Adelaide, Perth, Darwin and Brisbane on the guideline application of the Australasian Triage Scale.

Professor Linda Johnston conducted the first Spanish Clinical Research Fellowship Program at the Instituto de Salud Carlos III in June, 2003.

An on line, web based training program in evidence based practice for rural nurses is being developed in collaboration with the School of Nursing Rural Unit, The University of Melbourne, the Department of Rural Health (Shepparton); Goulburn Valley Health; and Benalla and District Hospital. The web-based module on evidence based practice will be trialed with rural collaborators in June 2003.

A course in Evidence Based Practice was conducted at RCH in conjunction with the Clinical Epidemiology and Biostatistics Unit and the Murdoch Children’s Research Institute.

Promotion and Exhibits

Information accessible on the website includes: educational and research activities, EBP links, publications, staff profiles and higher degree student projects.

The University of Melbourne held the Inaugural Postgraduate Nursing Research Conference in June 2002. VCEBN provided sponsorship for this conference and distributed JBI Best Practice Information Sheets, brochures and pens.

**International Linkages**

**University of Nottingham**

Linda Johnston is working collaboratively with Dr Heather Wharrad from the University of Nottingham on a Universities 21 project to develop an on-line, web-based interactive subject on evidence-based practice. Funding was obtained from the University of Nottingham, England and the Telematics Trust. The module will be internationalised for teaching use across Australia and the United Kingdom.

**Royal College of Nursing Institute, UK**

Professor Alison Kitson, Director RCNI gave the annual Marion Barrett Public Address at the University of Melbourne and a Clinical Leadership Seminar. Professor Kitson is internationally renowned for her research and leadership in the areas of clinical practice development, clinical leadership and standards of practice.

**Knowledge Transfer and Utilisation Colloquium**

Tracey Bucknall is on the multidisciplinary organizing committee for the International Colloquium on Knowledge Transfer and Utilisation. The 3rd Colloquium is in Quebec, Canada, 2003.
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Significant Events

Evidence Based Practice: Implementation Symposium – May 20, 2003

Over 120 delegates from metropolitan and rural health services attended the one-day symposium hosted by the WA Centre, in association with Fremantle Hospital and Health Service. The symposium was based on the implementation strategies seminar organised by JBI in Adelaide in June 2002 and focused on implementing evidence in practice and clinical audit. Prof Alan Pearson provided the keynote address for the morning and afternoon sessions. Other presenters included clinicians and researchers from all the major teaching hospitals in WA, plus several community health centres, and rural health services. Their papers covered topics from home visiting and postnatal depression programs to falls assessment in acute care. Attendees indicated strong support for the seminar to become an annual event.

Knowledge Translation
Systematic Reviews

Pacifier Non-Nutritive sucking in Infancy and Early Childhood

The nurse network from the Child Health Research Institute was successful in gaining a further grant of $10,000 from the WA Nurses Memorial Charitable Trust to enable the research officer to continue working with the review panel. Data extraction is complete and writing up of the report has commenced. The research officer has presented some of the review findings to an international conference for lactation consultants held in Sydney in 2003.
Effectiveness of Pelvic Floor Muscle Exercises (pfme) in the Prevention/Treatment of Urinary Incontinence Following Childbirth

This review incorporates two components: effectiveness of pfme for treating urinary incontinence following childbirth and the effectiveness of methods of instruction. For the first component six RCTs were included and two meta-analyses performed, one for three studies about the effect of antenatal exercises on postnatal urinary incontinence and the other for studies about postnatal exercises. The review panel met for the final critical appraisal discussion in February 2003 to consider 8 non-RCT studies for possible inclusion in the effectiveness of instructions component of the review. A further five studies were included in this part of the review and a number of these will be pooled in a meta-analysis with the remainder being presented in a narrative summary. Data extraction has been completed for both components of the review and compilation of a draft review report is currently being undertaken.

The Nursing/Midwifery Management of Healthy Full Term Babies with Hypoglycaemia

The protocol for this review was finalised in October 2002. To date four studies have met the criteria for inclusion and quality. A review of the literature indicated that a second component of this topic (accuracy of cotside testing for hypoglycaemia) may be warranted and a second protocol has been developed and sent out for peer review. A quality assessment checklist has been developed and piloted with the review panel for the cotside testing aspect of the review.

Best Practice Information Sheet

A draft Best Practice information sheet titled ‘The Effectiveness of Interventions for Infant Colic’ has been circulated to community health nurses and a pediatrician for comment and feedback. This information sheet was compiled from two published systematic reviews:


Grants

Department of Health Tender

In January 2003 the WA Centre was notified of its success in tendering through the JBI to provide evidence based practice workshops for the WA Department of Health. $100,000 was awarded to the WA Centre to provide workshops to eight rural and five metropolitan health services in Western Australia over a twelve month period. Included in the grant was a funding allocation for the research officer to provide information resources about evidence based practice to nurses and midwives in WA.

Helen Bailey Scholarship

A grant of $10,000 was made available by the Department of Health through the awarding of the Helen Bailey Scholarship to the WA Centre. This funding was provided to support the Centre in carrying out the systematic review ‘The nursing/midwifery management of hypoglycaemia in healthy full term neonates’.

JBI Grants

The WA Centre was successful in two grant applications to the Joanna Briggs Institute in October 2002. A special purposes grant of $10,000 was awarded to assist in the preparation of the Midwifery Manual. The second grant, also
for $10,000, was awarded to assist in the systematic review titled ‘The nursing/midwifery management of hypoglycaemia in healthy full term neonates’.

Knowledge Transfer

Journal Articles


Presentations

July 2002: Jeanette Robertson presented a lecture ‘Evidence Based Midwifery’ at the midwifery refresher course at King Edward Memorial Hospital.

August 2002: Robin Watts presented a lecture to final semester nursing students at Curtin University of Technology about evidence based practice focusing on IV insertion protocols and using a Best Practice Information Sheet.

September 2002: Robin Watts facilitated a one day planning workshop on evidence based practice for the mental health services, Toowoomba Health Service, and conducted a seminar for the Network of Interprofessional Collaboration of Healthcare Educators on evidence based education in Toowoomba.

October 2002: Jeanette Robertson gave a presentation to Directors of Nursing from metropolitan health services about ‘Devising evidence based protocols’

May 2003: Jeanette Robertson presented two papers at the Evidence Based Practice: Implementation Symposium. The topic of the first presentation was on implementing changes to practice and in the second presentation she focused on developing evidence based protocols.

June 2003: Jeanette Robertson provided a brief introduction to evidence based practice to nurses and student nurses attending the Telehealth sessions in Port Hedland, Geraldton, Kalgoorlie, and Albany.

Midwifery Manual

The last section, ‘Examination of the Newborn’, of the Midwifery Manual is being written. All other sections have been sent to JBI for formatting for publication. These sections of the Manual have also been made available to staff of the WA Department of Health through their intranet.

Research Database

The WA Centre has added the paediatric research database to its website. The database is a compilation of paediatric research conducted in New South Wales, South Australia and Western Australia since 1997. Bibliographic information about the researchers has been included in the database to facilitate contact between researchers and persons interested in the subject.
The database will be updated regularly to include new studies and also to ensure information about research previously listed is current.

**Promotion and Exhibits**

**Nursing management of fever in children**

A second article was published in the Health+Medicine lift out of the West Australian newspaper that referred to this review and specifically its finding about paracetamol. The article included a box of recommendations from the review’s Best practice information sheet.

**Exhibits**

- **August 2002:** A stand displayed JBI and WA Centre materials and websites at the Open Day for the Division of Health Sciences, Curtin University of Technology.

- **October 2002:** JBI and WA Centre materials were displayed at the Community Nurses Conferences held at Curtin University of Technology.

- **October 2002:** As part of an exhibit by the School of Nursing and Midwifery, Curtin University of Technology, JBI and WA Centre materials were displayed at the Caring and Nursing Conference held at Notre Dame University.

- **May 2003:** JBI and WA Centre materials were on display at the Evidence Based Practice: Implementation Symposium held at Fremantle Hospital.

**Evidence Based Practice Workshops**

- **Busselton Health Service – August 2002:** Health care professionals from a range of disciplines associated with community health attended a workshop about individual vs group therapies.

- **Broome Health Service – October 2002:** Nine staff of the health service attended the workshop about admission assessment.

- **Derby Health Service & Port Hedland Health Service – October 2002:** The Deputy Director presented a workshop about clinical audit to around 12 attendees in each location.

- **Osborne Park Hospital – April 2003:** Ten staff from the hospital attended a workshop about falls prevention in the acute sector.

- **Geraldton Regional Hospital – May 2003:** This one-to-one workshop was designed to assist the hospital’s staff development educator to update their practice manuals with evidence.

- **Carnarvon Regional Hospital – May 2003:** Four midwives and nurses from the hospital attended a workshop about updating midwifery practice manuals with evidence.

- **Swan District Hospital – June 2003:** The Deputy Director presented four staff from the hospital with a workshop about documentation in nursing care.

- **Rockingham Kwinana District Hospital – June 2003:** Fourteen staff from the hospital attended a workshop about management of the respiratory patient.

**Knowledge Utilisation**

**Evaluation Project**

The WA Centre and the Combined Universities Centre for Rural Health (CUCRH) are carrying out a joint project to determine if the evidence based practice workshops result in implementation of evidence and changing practice over the longer term. A program of pre and post workshop evaluations are being undertaken by CUCRH in health services in their service area, encompassing the Kimberley in the north of WA to the Goldfields in the east.
Telehealth Project

A grant for $3040 to participate in the Telehealth Program operated by the Department of Health was awarded in 2002 and the project was completed in June 2003.

The WA Centre collaborated with the Women’s and Children’s Health Service Telehealth Coordinator and the School of Nursing and Midwifery at Curtin University of Technology to deliver interactive evidence based practice information sessions to rural health services. Seven final year nursing students developed evidence based protocols on the topics CVC site management, pain management for the terminally ill, managing aggression in the emergency department, and scrubbing in theatre. The students then presented their work to nursing staff and students in health services in Port Hedland, Geraldton, Kalgoorlie and Albany via the State’s Telehealth network.