

Who is a Neonatal Nurse leader?

Nursing leadership has been defined as influencing others to improve the quality of care along with the direct participation in clinical practice. Leadership in neonatal nursing involves an environment that has a clear vision, and where staff are motivated and empowered to improve outcomes for babies and families. Neonatal nurse leaders can be found in all layers of clinical care, from the nurse manager, team leader and the clinical bed side nurse who leads care and collaboration to improve the provision of care.

What is the Leadership SIG?

The purpose of the Neonatal Nursing Leadership SIG is to increase awareness and support of the importance of nursing leadership and the impact this has on practice change, neonatal nursing growth and development to maintain the high standard of care for babies and their families.

The Goals of the Leadership SIG

- Provide support for leadership in career progression and development
- Support improvement in neonatal nursing ratio to support 1:1 nursing care
- Support neonatal units in staff recruitment and retention strategies
- Share resources and knowledge to build strong neonatal nursing leaders to improve care for babies and their families
- Develop professional links for nursing managers and leaders to share resources and improve collaborative care Establish a forum for education, mentoring and advice for neonatal nursing leaders



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Picture: Members of the leadership special interest group

The committee

Committee positions include:

- Chair
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- Ordinary members

New ordinary committee members welcome at any time.

Membership

Membership is open to any nurse or midwife who is a current financial member of the ACNN.

The Leadership SIG meets face to face at ACNN Conference and Leadership events; otherwise via zoom meetings.

What can I expect from my membership

By joining the leadership SIG who will contribute to building the profile of neonatal nurse leaders and will have access to:

- Current nursing leadership evidence
- Educational opportunities
- Information related to leadership and mentoring
- Participate in improving nursing ratio in neonatal care units

We welcome new members and encourage feedback and new ideas on how we can improve the leadership journey for neonatal nurses. Interested? Email us at leadershipsig@acnn.org.au