

# **ACT Branch**

Terms of Reference 2023

#### **Statement**

The Australian College of Neonatal Nurses (ACNN) is dedicated to the promotion of excellence in the care of neonates and their families. Its Branches support this outcome by monitoring, informing, and making recommendations to the ACNN National Committee on many aspects of neonatal nursing care.

## **Purpose**

To coordinate local activity in support of the objectives of ACNN and promote networking in the ACT region. This includes:

- Promoting ACNN to the nurses and midwives in the ACT and surrounding region
- To provide representation and advocacy at National ACNN level
- Holding educational events throughout the year
- Providing scholarships for ACT Branch members to attend/participate in educational conferences and courses.

### **Operating Committee**

The operating committee must consist of a minimum of 5 members. Positions are Chair, Secretary, Treasurer Liaison and at least two ordinary members.

Operating committee members hold the positions for a period of 12 months and can renominate each 12 months. The operating committee positions become vacant at the subcommittee annual meeting held in the last quarter of the calendar year. Members can nominate before the meeting or from the floor at the meeting. Ordinary members nominations are accepted throughout the year. Nominees are encouraged to attend two meetings as an observer prior to nomination.

## **Meetings**

- The branch committee meetings will be held regularly with 8 meetings planned for 2023, attendance maybe in person or via teleconference.
- All meetings to be recorded by minutes, that will be circulated to ACT Branch members.
- A minimum of two meetings will be open (all member) meetings.
- A simple majority is required at each meeting for a quorum.
- An (annual) general meeting will be held in the second half of the year.

## **Strategic Planning and Sustainable Committees Document**

The ACT branch will plan activities that align with the ACNN Strategic Plan and Sustainable Committees Document.

### **Membership**

Current financial members of ACNN who reside or work in the ACT are eligible to be members of the ACT branch.

### Reports to

ACNN National Executive committee.

Australian College of Neonatal Nurses Inc.