



## NDC SIG annual report to the ACNN national Executive committee

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### Ongoing vision:

- Establishing excellency in the care of neonates and their families.
- Supporting family centred and developmentally supportive practices across neonatal settings.
- Promote consistency in practice and improved neurodevelopmental outcomes for vulnerable neonates.
- Raise awareness in the neonatal setting of developmental care as a conscious individualized practice that is considered a minimum standard of care.

### New Office Bearers for 2021

- Chairperson: Annie Chang (WA)
- Secretary: Ursula Haack (NSW)
- Treasurer: Renee Muirhead (NSW)

### Ordinary members:

- Amanda Merchant (NSW)
- Cindi Escardo (Tas)
- Kimbra Thomas (TAS)
- Nadine Griffiths (NSW)
- Rebecca Rogers
- Sophia Dong (SA)

### 2020 Financial overview:

NDC SIG financial overview of year 2020							
Date	Receipt No.	Description	Amount Deposited	Amount Withdrawn	Charged to	Received by	Approved by
01-Jul-2020		Opening Balance	\$3,347.28			NDC SIG	ACNN treasure
20-Jul-2020	Bank transfer	ACNN to NDC SIG	\$1,000.00			NDC SIG	ACNN treasure
02-Sep-2020	Bank transfer	Virtual presentation: Practice after FINE 1	\$57.54			NDC SIG	ACNN treasure
14-Sep-2020	Bank transfer	Virtual presentation: Circadian rhythm care	\$95.90			NDC SIG	ACNN treasure

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05-Oct-2020	Bank transfer	Virtual presentation: Fathers group in NICU	\$57.54			NDC SIG	ACNN treasure
10-Nov-2020	Bank transfer	Virtual presentation: Education level of NDC	\$153.24			NDC SIG	ACNN treasure
<b>Total</b>	<b>5</b>		<b>\$4,711.50</b>	<b>\$0.00</b>			
<b>For 01/07/2020 through 10/11/2020</b>			<b>Balance</b>	<b>\$4,711.50</b>			

### Achievements from July 2019 to December 2020 / Year End Highlights

- The NDC SIG fact sheet was developed, revised, and handed to the executive committee for review.
- NDC SIG Scholarship remaining open and supporting candidates who fit the selection criteria
- Two articles plus a special NDC SIG Christmas card were published on ACNN Newsletters
  - Family Centre Care in NICU and SCN during the COVID\_19 pandemic (by Jasmin Song (ACT branch))
  - Feedback of attending the Family and Infant Neurodevelopmental Education (FINE) level 1 program 2019 (by Kerry Van Den Bosch the recipient of the NDC SIG scholarship)
- Monthly NDC SIG general virtual teleconferences were held via the Zoom
- Initiative the virtual presentations focusing on hot topics of neurodevelopmental care in NICU. Followed by cooperated with ACNN multimedia SIG to create multiple “fun facts” on the ACNN Facebook to promote the hot topics presentations.
  - May: The therapeutic positioning in the NICU by Ursula Haack
  - August: The evolution of clinical practice after moving into a new nursery and post the family and infant neurodevelopmental Education Program (FINE) training.
  - October: Circadian care in the NICU: How can we use day and night to assist in preterm infant development? By Tash Sorensen
  - November: The establishment of a father’s group in the NICU. By Gillian Brodie and Jeremy Johnson
  - December: The effects of nurse education levels on developmental care in Australia: perceptions and challenges. By Nadine Griffiths
- New office bearers of NDC for 2021 were selected in the NDC Sig virtual meeting held on 30 September 2020. Annie Chang is the chairlady; Ursula Haack is the secretary and Renee Muirhead is the treasurer.

### 2021 NDC SIG planner/ moving forward into 2021

- Encourage members to apply for NDC SIG scholarship to support their learning in neurodevelopmental care or attending the ACNN conference.
- Holding three virtual presentations. Schedule in April, August, and November
- Monthly teleconference via Zoom for better communication



- Initiation the development of Australian developmental care guideline
- Exploring the opportunity of affiliation with New Zealand neonatal group.
- Article writing for ACNN regular newsletter
- Holding a NDC SIG workshop for the ACNN conference in Canberra in September 2021: translating developmental care evidence to the clinical setting: evaluating local caregiving practice.
- Recruiting three to five more ordinary members for NDC SIG