



Neurodevelopmental Care

SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

Terms of Reference 2022

Statement of Purpose:

The Australian College of Neonatal Nurses is dedicated to the promotion of excellence in the care of neonates and their families. The Neuro-Developmental Care (NDC) SIG will focus on supporting the provision of family centred and developmentally supportive practices across neonatal settings, to promote consistency in practice and improved neurodevelopmental outcomes for vulnerable neonates.

The SIG aims to raise awareness in the neonatal setting of developmental care as a conscious individualised practice that is considered a standard of care.

Office Bearers as of September 2021:

- **Chairperson:** Annie Chang
- **Secretary:** Ursula Haack
- **Treasurer:** Renee Muirhead
- **Ordinary Members:** Amanda Bates, Megan Bater, Sophia Dong, Cindi Escardo, Nadine Griffiths, Carmel Pearsall, Kim Psaila, Anna Seppelt, Michelle Thomas,
- **Nominated liaison officer:** Annie Chang.

Meeting:

Monthly by teleconference and with a general meeting at approximately every fourth meeting including the annual ACNN Conference. Four (4) members of the Committee shall constitute a quorum for the transaction of business at any regular or special meetings of the Committee.

Minutes:

Minutes are completed by the secretary. Minutes are located on the ACNN NDC SIG website.

Membership:

Membership is open to any nurse or midwife who is interested in neonatal nursing education and has a specific interest in neuro protective family integrated developmental care.

Members of the SIG must be current financial members of the ACNN.

Meeting attendance by ordinary members is expected to be at least every three months.

Reports to:

The annual report in conjunction with the Terms of References and Strategic Plan will be reviewed annually and submitted to the National Executive Committee by 28th. February.

Committee/ordinary member changes are edited as appropriate.