



SPECIAL INTEREST GROUP

## **Annual Report 2019**

## Operating committee for 2019:

Chairperson: Angela Casey
Secretary: Wendy Carlish
Treasurer: Dustylee Williams

Ordinary

members: Lyn Chapple, Jo Sheils

Number of current SIG members: 475 (remains unchanged from previous calendar year)

Achievements from activities planned for January to December 2019:

- Angela Casey was granted ethics approval to conduct a national survey throughout the ACNN
  network to explore critical leadership skills amongst Australian Neonatal nurses. The aim of the
  study was to identify leadership attributes and strategies applicable to neonatal nurses across a
  variety of settings. The data was collected via the Survey Monkey Platform and was conducted
  over a 3-week period. The data was analysed, and the three most prominent core strategies
  utilised amongst neonatal leaders include team values, risk and creativity. Ange presented the
  findings of her study at the COINN conference in May 2019.
- Leadership SIG Dinner, Sydney, November 2019. The keynote speaker at the dinner was Claire
  Lumley, Nursing and Operations Executive from Sydney Adventist Hospital. Claire shared her
  leadership journey and the key attributes of leadership in a clinical setting. The annual SIG
  meeting was conducted in conjunction with the dinner and Angela Casey stepped down as Chair
  of the SIG. The new committee was elected.
- Leadership Presentation at the ACNN Visiting Scholar's tour in Sydney, November 2019. The
  Leadership SIG presented on being brave with the session commencing with interpretive dance.
  Angela Casey reflected on the Leadership's journey since its inception in 2015 and spoke of her
  vision for the future.