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Letter from HiNZ-NI Chair

It seems like just yesterday that the year started and it's hard to believe we are already in May, with winter creeping up quickly. Although I will miss the warmth and sunshine of summer, the shorter days mean that I spend more time at home in the evenings catching up with the latest news, trends and articles on health informatics.

A noticeable trend is the increasing input from nursing services and authors with a nursing background. If you, or a colleague, have an idea or experience, or are involved in a project or the development of new technology, then we want to hear about it. Don't think that your project is too small – presentations from "the floor" are typically the catalyst for discussion and ongoing collaboration. Your experience or viewpoint may save a colleague from reinventing the wheel or inspire them to undertake a project. There are opportunities to speak at [eHealth Nursing 2019](#) and the HiNZ Conference 2019, both part of [Digital Health Week NZ](#), and expertise within this group to assist with preparing a submission and/or presentation.

I look forward to catching up with many of you at upcoming events and hearing from those speaking at Conferences. Congratulations to everyone who has already had submissions accepted or who has been asked to speak.

If you would like to share an article or news through this forum, please send it to me at angela.dezwart@orionhealth.com.

Please encourage your nursing colleagues to [sign up](#) for this newsletter. Signing up to receive the newsletter is free.

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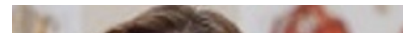*angela.dezwart@orionhealth.com*
Chair of HiNZ Nursing Informatics Special Interest Group (HiNZ-NI)

HiNZ-NI announcements

Elizabeth Borycki, RN, PhD, FIAHIS, FACMI, FCAHS, is a professor in the School of Health Information Science at the University of Victoria, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada.

HiNZ is delighted to have Elizabeth as a keynote for eHealth Nursing 2019 (20 November).

View Elizabeth's profile here >>

Call for nominations for the Robyn Carr Cup

Nominations are open for the awarding of the Robyn Carr Cup for Excellence in Nursing Informatics. The cup will be awarded at the HiNZ Conference (held this year during Digital Health Week NZ 2019) for steadfast commitment to furthering the goals and achievements of nursing informatics in New Zealand. Please email Michelle Honey at m.honey@auckland.ac.nz for a nomination form.

Speaker suggestions for eHealth Nursing 2019

We'd like to invite suggestions for speakers for eHealth Nursing 2019. The HiNZ-NI programme committee are currently considering the speaker line up – it doesn't require submissions as all the speakers are invite only. We are asking for suggestions for the committee to consider. For suggestions please email Kim at ceo@hinz.org.nz

Submit an abstract for HiNZ before 15 May deadline

Submissions for the HiNZ Conference (held during Digital Health Week NZ 2019) speaking slots close in a week on Wednesday 15th May.

It's easy to submit using our simple online form and submissions are a maximum of 400 words. Read more about the submission categories >>

Digital health nursing news

▉ Industry View: Stemming the tide of nursing turnover

Robert Nieves addresses the importance of "empowering the nursing community, including students, to use digital technology" in his column in eHealthNews.nz.

Read his column >>

▉ International Nurses Day, 12 May

International Nurses Day is celebrated around the world each year on 12 May, the anniversary of Florence Nightingale's birth. The day marks the contributions that nurses make to society. The theme this year is Nurses: A voice to lead – health for all.

HiNZ would like to celebrate and thank all nurses in New Zealand for their amazing work and contribution, not only to the digital health sector, but to the wider health sector and communities around the country.

Education and networking

Get involved - Clinical Informatics Leadership Group (CiLN)

A group of Kiwi clinicians with a passion for technology driving changes in healthcare created a Clinical Informatics Leadership Network (CiLN) for New Zealand in early 2019. The network is supported logistically and financially by Health Informatics New Zealand. It has more than 100 members from a range of health professions such as medicine, nursing, allied health, midwifery and pharmacy. It provides an online forum for members to share expertise and ideas as well as national networking events.

Membership of CiLN is free. Anyone with a clinical background and an interest in IT can apply to join by filling in this online form. CiLN also has a web page where anyone can read related news and profiles of clinicians working in digital health. If you have questions, please email Rebecca McBeth at ehealthnewsnz@gmail.com.

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University informatics courses

For anyone wanting to pursue their interest or gain qualifications in health informatics, there are a range of undergraduate and postgraduate university courses available in New Zealand.

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Upcoming events

Emerging Tech in Health 2019: Register now – tickets limited

There are limited tickets available to ETIH19, a two-day event. The first day will focus on analytics. The second day will highlight emerging technologies. Delegates have the option of attending both days or one day, so they can focus on their area of interest.

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NIA Conference 2019

Melbourne, 11 August

Nursing Informatics Australia (NIA), a special interest group of HISA, has opened registrations for NIA 2019, Australia's Nursing Informatics Conference, to be held in Melbourne on Sunday 11 August 2019. This year's theme is Nursing career paths in digital health. Register here.

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International Medical Informatics Conference 2019

Lyon, France, 26–30 August

The next International Medical Informatics Association conference, which always has a good nursing presence, is being held in Lyon, France from August 26–30, 2019.

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eHealth Nursing 2019 – Save the date

Claudelands Event Centre, Hamilton, 20 November

The eHealth Nursing one-day conference on Wednesday 20 November is New Zealand's premier event for nurses interested in digital health. It's a part of Digital Health Week NZ 18–22 November 2019, which features a range of events and workshops catering to the range of professions and topics within digital health.

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International Nursing Informatics Conference 2020

Brisbane, 26–29 July 2020

The next International Medical Informatics Association-Nursing Informatics Special Interest Group (IMIA-NI) conference is being held

leaders in nursing and midwifery, making this a rare opportunity to learn from and network with nurses and midwives at a global level in digital health. NI 2020 will be co-located with HIC 2020, the HISA annual conference, when it is held in Brisbane from Sunday 26 July to Wednesday 29 July 2020. The website is ni2020.org and although there's not much information available yet, you can sign up to get updates.

About HiNZ-NI

The HiNZ nursing informatics special interest group (HiNZ-NI) supports the development of nursing informatics in New Zealand. HiNZ-NI publishes a free eNewsletter with digital health updates of relevance to nurses.
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What is nursing informatics?
Nursing Informatics science and practice integrates nursing, its information and knowledge and their management with information and communication technologies to promote the health of people, families and communities world-wide.

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