Reflection

Our Holy Father Pope Francis said this year at a medical research conference in Rome, “Your work is a sign of hope, as it brings together people and institutions from diverse cultures, societies and religions, all united in their deep concern for the sick.”

There are three elements to reflect upon. The first is “increasing sensitivity”. It is fundamentally important that we promote greater empathy in society, and not remain indifferent to our neighbour’s cry for help.

The second aspect that guides your efforts is “research”, seen in two inseparable actions: education and genuine scientific study.

The third aspect is “ensuring access to care”. The globalisation of indifference must be countered by the globalisation of empathy.

In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis invites us not to judge or condemn, but to forgive and to bring hope through research for the sick and vulnerable.

Julie Wain
Mission Integration Manager, St Vincent’s Private Hospital Melbourne
Vision and Mission

Our vision
To advance research excellence in nursing, providing opportunities for nurses and midwives to undertake higher degree studies, lead research and translate best evidence into practice, inspired by Catholic intellectual traditions.

Our mission
Located in a Catholic healthcare organisation, our mission is to explore cultural, ethical and religious issues through research and service. By fostering and advancing knowledge through healthcare research, the Nursing Research Unit contributes to local, national and international communities, serving the common good.
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Message from the Director/Chair, Associate Professor Karen-leigh Edward

This year the Nursing Research Unit team focused on undertaking multi-site and multi-state interdisciplinary research, exposing clinical staff to research that occurs beyond the local site. Activities this year centred on seeking new understandings through research in addition to applying research knowledge in providing excellent care for patients. This year’s annual report will guide you through some of our activities during 2016. I wish to take this opportunity to thank the Nursing Research Unit team, in particular Jo-Ann Giandinoto and Cally Mills. I would also like to extend a thank you to all of our clinical research interns who have worked with us throughout this productive year. Also, I would like to extend a warm thank you to St Vincent’s staff located throughout the St Vincent’s Health Australia Group (of which comprised 40-50 clinical and non-clinical staff) who worked with us on our large study related to the management of inadvertent perioperative hypothermia for surgical patients. This project was an award winner for the Australian College of Operating Room Nurses (ACORN) Excellence in Perioperative Team Nursing 2016, and also a finalist in the St Vincent’s Health Australia (SVHA) Innovation & Excellence Awards 2016. Finally, this year we have submitted two applications to the National Health and Medical Research Council based upon pilot data from recently completed studies. In addition, we have forged close working links with a number of outstanding healthcare researchers who we have partnered with on these applications.
Message from the Australian Catholic University & St Vincent’s Private Hospital Melbourne

Australian Catholic University

The Faculty of Health Sciences at Australian Catholic University (ACU) greatly values the partnership with St Vincent’s Private Hospital Melbourne in continuing the development of collaborations and application of clinically relevant research. This year the Nursing Research Unit has demonstrated the practical application of this research partnership through their focus on the enhancement of existing clinical and academic networks, development of key teams for competitive grant applications, and through the use of an implementation research approach. Karen-leigh’s leading of the SVHA Research Collaborative, in conjunction with Dr Jed Duff and Prof Kim Walker, resulted in the finalisation of national research related to the management of inadvertent perioperative hypothermia in surgical patients. The initiative included all hospitals in the SVHA group, across different states of Australia, that conduct surgical procedures and engaged over 50 clinical staff in the process; providing a fantastic research capacity building opportunity for many clinical participants. In addition, the team was the recipient of the prestigious ACORN Award for Excellence in Team Research in Perioperative Nursing and was a finalist in the SVHA Innovation & Excellence Awards 2016.

St Vincent’s Private Hospital Melbourne

St Vincent’s Private Hospital Melbourne (SVPHM) is pleased with the continuing collaboration between clinical and academic arenas that the Nursing Research Unit provides. This year the Nursing Research Unit, in collaboration with SVPHM, SVHM and ACU, launched the inaugural Nursing Grand Rounds (NGRs). NGRs involve presentations given by nurse leaders and expose clinical nurses to news in health care policy, education and research as well as opening conversations surrounding the modern landscape of health care delivery and application of research to practice, through teaching and professional development.

We are also pleased that the Nursing Research Unit was shortlisted in the SVHA Innovation & Excellence Awards in the ’Leading Reputation’ category, for their involvement in the SVHA Perioperative Thermal Care Collaborative, demonstrating the translation of research findings into clinical practice. The Nursing Research Unit has also developed additional opportunities to connect within Catholic healthcare, with two mission focused research collaboratives. We congratulate the Nursing Research Unit on another great year of achievements.
Executive Membership

**Australian Catholic University**

Professor Michelle Campbell  
Executive Dean  
Faculty of Health Sciences

Professor Patrick Crookes  
National Head of School Nursing, Midwifery & Paramedicine

Associate Professor Karen Nightingale  
Deputy Head of School Nursing, Midwifery & Paramedicine (Victoria)

**St Vincent’s Private Hospital Melbourne**

Mr Ian Grisold  
Regional Chief Executive Officer

Karen Clark  
Chief Executive Officer Fitzroy/  
Chief Nursing Officer
Nursing Research Unit Staff

Associate Professor Karen-leigh Edward
RN, BN, GDipPsychology, MHSc, PhD
Director

Jo-Ann Giandinoto
RN, BN (Hons), BBSc
Lead Research Associate

Cally Mills
RN, BN, GradDipPerip, MAdvNursPrac
Research Assistant and Executive Assistant to Assoc Prof Karen-leigh Edward

Debbie Benger
B App Sci (Physiotherapy), GradDip Manipulative Physiotherapy
Research Assistant

Kate Lauricella
RN, BA, MNursSc, DipAdvNurs (Mental Health)
Research Assistant

Alessandra Galletti
2nd year Law Student, Latrobe University
Research Assistant
Higher Degree Research Students

Geraldine Rebeiro  
Doctor of Philosophy  
Title: The phenomenon of interpersonal relationships between student nurses and registered nurses  
Supervisors: Assoc Prof Karen-leigh Edward, Dr Alicia Evans and Prof Rose Chapman  
Expected date of completion: 2018

Cally Mills  
Doctor of Philosophy  
Title: Perceptions of chronic gynaecological pain by women, their partners and health care professionals  
Supervisors: Assoc Prof Karen-leigh Edward and Assoc Prof Rosemary Ford  
Expected date of completion: 2021

Alison Peeler  
Doctor of Philosophy  
Title: Evaluation of a new paediatric emergency department  
Supervisors: Prof Paul Fulbrook, Assoc Prof Karen-leigh Edward and Dr Fran Kinnear  
Expected date of completion: 2020

Linden Johnson  
Master of Nursing  
Title: Introducing standardised nursing language to improve nursing care plans in a medical elective ward: a pre-test-post-test design  
Supervisors: Assoc Prof Karen-leigh Edward  
Expected date of completion: 2017
Research Projects

Alignment with the Australian National Safety and Quality Health Service Standards

All projects are aligned with the National Safety and Quality Health Service (NSQHS) Standards. The primary aims of the NSQHS standards are to protect the public from harm and to improve excellence in service to patients. Aligning Nursing Research Unit (NRU) research activities with NSQHS standards provides congruence with significant strategic directions for the hospital whilst furthering the university agenda in the following key areas:

• providing evidence for practice
• building research capacity
• facilitating opportunities to support a research degree
• providing opportunities for clinical staff to engage in relevant evidenced based activities

1. Governance for Safety and Quality in Health Service Organisations

1. The development of the Australian Mission in Catholic Healthcare Staff Scale
   
   Funded by SVHA

2. Healthcare professionals’ attitudes towards mental illness and mental health literacy
   
   Funded by Nurses Board of Victoria Legacy Limited

3. Personal protective equipment: Education strategies for behavioural change
   
   Funded by Multigate Medical Products Pty Ltd and SVPHM

4. Mental health nursing and emotional labour
   
   Systematic review

2. Partnering with Consumers

1. Paternal depression
   
   Funded by SVPHM

2. Qualitative inquiry post bariatric surgery in men

3. Breast cancer survivorship trajectory post treatment
   
   Funded by Australian College of Nursing

4. Self-management of epilepsy: a cohort controlled study
   
   Funded by SVPHM

5. The lived experience of chronic gynaecological pain management by women, their partners and health care professionals
   
   PhD project
3. Preventing and Controlling Healthcare Associated Infections

1. Preventing perioperative inadvertent hypothermia in adult surgical patients
   *Funded by SVHA*

2. Preventing post-operative surgical site infections
   *Cochrane Systematic Review*

8. Preventing and Managing Pressure Injuries

1. Diabetes and Wound Self-care (DAWS) study
   *Medical Research Council United Kingdom grant application*

9. Recognising and Responding to Clinical Deterioration in Acute Health Care

1. Activated clotting time post cardiac surgery – nursing practice considerations
   *Systematic review*

2. Determinants of cardiac outcomes post percutaneous coronary intervention
   *Funded by SVPHM*

3. Determining the need for inpatient rehabilitation post hip and knee arthroplasty
   *Funded by Medibank Private*

4. Brief interventions for the management of aggression in the emergency department
   *Systematic review*
Hospital-based Research Activities

Staff researcher profiles from St Vincent’s Private Hospital Melbourne

Throughout 2016, clinical staff accessed the support offered by the NRU team in pursuit of their research activities. Individual and teams of nursing staff have been identified; highlighting their academic, research and community engagement achievements of 2016. The staff are profiled, including an overview of their research topics and the any outcomes their findings may offer so far.

**Sally Wilcox RN**

Sally Wilcox is currently the Clinical Deterioration and Resuscitation Coordinator for SVPHM covering Fitzroy, East Melbourne and Kew campuses. Sally has postgraduate qualifications in paediatrics and intensive care nursing and is currently completing a Masters of Nursing Practice by minor thesis.

In her research, Sally aims to explore acute care registered nurses’ perceived confidence in a simulated code blue situation (medical emergency) when cognitive aids are used. Code blue situations occur infrequently on general wards yet are stressful for the nurses involved. This research project’s key purpose is to explore whether the use of cognitive aids can increase acute care registered nurses’ perceived confidence in performing the necessary roles nurses assume during a code blue. To date cognitive aids (prompt cards and role identification stickers) have not been used in the general ward setting however, similar aids have been used in Emergency Departments where incoming trauma emergencies can be planned for in terms of role allocation and expectations. Cognitive aids will be introduced during a simulated code blue scenario. These aids are thought to reduce the cognitive load experienced during times of extreme stress, as the individual does not need to rely solely on memory to perform a role. Findings from this research are hoped to contribute to acute care registered nurses’ level of confidence when attending code blue situations in the future.

**Nadine Gray RN**

Nadine Gray is an Education Consultant at SVPHM. She is a registered nurse with over 20 years experience in the speciality of perianaesthetic nursing, working in Melbourne, Regional NSW, and the United Kingdom. Nadine has a passion for nurse education and contributes to education in her role co-ordinating the Advanced Clinical Practice Year (ACPY) program. The ACPY program promotes further development of nurses in clinical reasoning, nursing research and social accountability activities, and follows from the Registered Nurse Graduate Program.

Nadine is currently undertaking her Masters of Clinical Education. Nadine’s proposed research relates to a common nursing practice where she will investigate preventing infection when performing IV cannulation. Her research question is, “Will the implementation of an education care bundle aimed at PACU nurses in a large metropolitan hospital improve compliance to evidence-based practice to disinfect needle-less intravascular devices?” She is planning to conduct her research using a mixed methods approach to address this question, through the pre and post education questionnaires, audits and direct observation. In addition to this research, Nadine and a colleague developed and delivered a nurse education program aimed at improving patient outcomes in developing countries, work which she is continuing. She plans to undertake more research to evaluate the education models she delivered whilst working with healthcare professionals in a developing country.
Louise Aiton has been employed at SVPHM for more than ten years in various roles, including after-hours hospital coordinator, and in 2012, joined the Infection Prevention Department. Since joining Infection Prevention, Louise has completed her Graduate Certificate in Nursing Science (Infection Control) and has also completed a course in Health - HIV and Hepatitis C Testing. She has a particular interest in the areas of blood and bodily fluid exposure management, blood borne virus testing, hand hygiene and aseptic non-touch technique. Since taking over management of Blood and Bodily fluid exposures in 2014, Louise and the Infection Prevention department were keen to investigate trends and contributing factors to exposure injuries. The Infection Prevention department aimed to provide excellent follow up to staff in the event of an exposure injury. Louise developed a survey tool for staff involved in exposure injuries to complete, rating their experience with follow up after a blood and bodily fluid exposure. A poster submitted by Louise to the Aikenhead Centre for Medical Discovery (ACMD) Research Week outlined the findings from this survey, and it was also accepted as a poster presentation for the Australasian College of Infection Prevention and Control conference in Melbourne in November 2016. This pilot work lays the foundation for a larger research project into 2017.

Christine Holland RN and Sarah Smith RN

Christine Holland is the Nurse Unit Manager of the neurosciences ward at SVPHM, while Sarah Smith is a neurosciences education consultant for the hospital. Together they worked on the topic of thromboembolism. The background to the problem they wanted to address relates to the common practice of surgical drain tube removal in the presence of venous thromboembolism (VTE) anticoagulation for patients having spinal surgery. VTE, the collective term for Deep Vein Thrombosis and Pulmonary Embolism, remains a major cause of morbidity and a significant cause of mortality in hospitalised patients across Australia and internationally. It is important that adequate prophylaxis is provided for patients at risk. Measures including: anti-clotting medication, graduated compression stockings, adequate hydration and early mobilisation are known to be effective in reducing the incidence of VTE. The prevention of VTE in acute care hospitals has been recognised nationally and internationally as a priority patient safety issue because of the strong research evidence for preventive measures and high potential for improvements in patient outcomes. With the introduction of risk assessment tools identifying patients of increased risk of VTE, more neurosurgical patients are now on VTE prophylaxis during their post-operative clinical course. Christine and Sarah undertook a literature review to determine best practice. This paper was presented at the Australasian Neuroscience Nurses Association Conference held in Sydney in September 2016. Their paper won the Neurosurgical Society Australasia Prize awarded to the best neurosurgical paper presented in the Australasian Neuroscience Nurses Association Scientific program. From this work Christine and Sarah can further their research in evaluation of applying best practice for this group of patients.
Patricia McCristal RN

Patricia (Trish) McCristal is a RN, and went on to complete her perioperative nursing qualification and later a Bachelor of Education at Latrobe University. Trish is presently working as a clinical nurse specialist in plastics at St Vincent’s Private Hospital Melbourne, Kew campus. Her roles include scrubbing for plastic surgeons and providing education and clinical support to staff within that specialty area. Trish is currently completing her Master of Advanced Health Practice specialising in the Perioperative Nurse Surgeon Assistant (PNSA) stream. As part of her Masters she completed a quantitative research study on the incidence of capsular contracture in patients undergoing breast augmentation. She was interested in whether the intervention of the Keller Funnel and the use of textured implants could reduce the incidence of capsular contracture. Capsular contracture is one of the most common complications following breast augmentation and is the cause of many surgical revisions. Capsular contracture has both negative financial and emotional outcomes for the patients and as such it is necessary to investigate methods to reduce the incidence. Trish was privileged to receive a hospital scholarship towards her studies.

Trish is also associated with the training of medical students at the Australian College of Surgeons along with Plastic Surgeon Craig Rubinstein. In addition, Trish is associated with Interpast Australia, a not-for-profit organisation providing plastic and reconstructive surgery for people in developing countries who are disabled as a result of congenital or acquired medical conditions. Last year Trish volunteered for a 7-day program in the Solomon Islands where her team consulted eighty-five patients and operated on forty-six patients over five days. The surgeries included cleft lip and palate repair, repairs to congenital hands and feet, burn scar contractures, keloid scar and excision of vascular and facial tumours. Trish presented a poster at the SVPHM Exceptional Care / Exceptional Service in May this year and also submitted an abstract for the SVHA Innovation & Excellence Awards 2016. Trish says…

“My trip to the Solomon Islands was an amazing experience that I felt truly privileged to be part of. The tremendous pleasure that you get from patients and their families being so grateful for your care seems so simple to us and yet means the world to them. I felt very fortunate to be part of a great team who all supported each other and to be able to work alongside the locals to provide education including rewarding and quality surgical care. The enthusiasm and passion from the local staff to learn and be involved was enormous. These programs are certainly a highlight of my nursing career. I hope to be able to volunteer for future programs.”

Trish hopes to complete her Masters in early 2017 and become successful in being credentialed as a PNSA. Her long term goals include writing research papers about her work and sharing her recommendations with the nursing profession.
Clinical Research Interns

The clinical research intern role is one of great importance as it aims to grow the number of clinical staff engaged in research. To this end, the NRU are facilitating a research intensive culture in SVPHM. During 2016, clinical research interns were involved with projects related to the use of personal protective equipment; nurse’s experiences with cancer survivorship; self management and epilepsy; Surgical Thermal Management national Collaborative and projects focused on management of patients in the ICU.

The following staff members undertook clinical research intern roles in 2016 (* denotes staff from SVHM):

1. Kelly Alderson*
2. Michelle Battye
3. Lauren Bell
4. Ellenora Brown
5. Jody Clarke
6. Emma Crawford
7. Ruby Crane
8. Nikki Dennis*
9. Christine Holland
10. Catherine Humphrey
11. Karolin King
12. Elyse Ladbrook*
13. Rosie Lee
14. Victoria Matulin
15. Judelle McFarland
16. Christine McShane
17. Carolyn Moore
18. Tamara Molloy*
19. Lea Natividad
20. Jody Olorenshaw
21. Lenka Perry*
22. Dr Jeff Reddy *
23. Bianca Tartaglia*
24. Hoang Vien*
25. Daleeda Zoora*
Research Bites

Express ward research seminars, also recently known as Research Bites, were introduced in 2012 for the purpose of exposing clinical staff to research information whilst in their workplace. Research Bites are between 15-20 minutes in duration and are delivered on the ward or staff work areas in an effort to overcome the barrier of poor time availabilities to attend research seminars. Some of the topics covered this year included: Developing a research question using PICO; Searching the literature; Evidence-based Practice and Clinical Practice Guidelines; and Doing a Research Project. The trajectory of uptake over time continues to demonstrate an acceptance and engagement in these Research Bites delivered as express ward-based research seminars.
Research News in Brief Newsletter

To assist in exposing nurses to information regarding upcoming research grants and research opportunities, the NRU in 2016 developed a monthly one page newsletter for staff at SVPHM. The newsletter informed staff about upcoming funding and award opportunities, research save-the-dates, events, and successful nurse researchers. By presenting this information into a one page document on a monthly basis, it was hoped that nurses would now have access to important research information in a comprehensive and time effective manner.

Honorary Appointments

Dr Bill Kelly

This year Dr Kelly was nominated for and awarded a honorary Professor title from the Faculty of Health Sciences, ACU. Dr Kelly is the Medical Director SVPHM, a role he has held for ten years. He is also an active member of the Medical Board of Australia and an active participant in driving health innovation initiatives; currently being involved in the development of medical practice software.

Dr Kelly has great relationships with staff and is pivotal to the constant improvement of the healthcare experience for patients. His commitment to improving the healthcare experience for patients is evidenced by his ability to support the medical staff in enabling hope for patients and their loved ones at SVPHM. His leadership in ensuring staff observance to the vision, mission and values at the hospital is impressive and remains a central feature of his leadership. He continues to engage in research with multidisciplinary groups, working most recently on a research project in cardiac care with Assoc Prof Karen-leigh Edward and consulting cardiologists for SVPHM.
The 4th Annual SVPHM Exceptional Care/Exceptional Service Expo was held from the 9th May to 13th May 2016. The Expo provided an opportunity for staff to share their evidence-based or mission-based activities with their colleagues, patients and families and other key stakeholders. This year the Expo had a record number of entrants from all hospital departments, including clinical and non-clinical areas. There were a total of 34 poster entrants, all of which were of a high standard. These showcased innovative healthcare improvements directed at care practices and excellent outcomes for staff and patients.

The posters were independently judged and there were five winners in the following categories:

**Category 1 Commitment to the Poor and Vulnerable**
*Winner* - Rebecca Brown
*Title* - Interplast - Volunteer work to deliver breast cancer education to nurses in the Solomon Islands

**Category 2 Excellent Care for Our Patients and Residents**
*Winning team* - Assoc Prof Karen-leigh Edward, Jo-

**Category 3 Best People in Health and Ageing**
*Winner* - Louise Aiton
*Title* - Providing an In-House Blood and Body Fluid Exposure Injury (BBFEI) Management Service in a Private Healthcare Facility

**Category 4 Leading Reputation**
*Winning team* - Kevin Ley, Adal Ukotic, Annette McLeod, and Muhamed Vukovic
*Title* - K.I.T.C.H.E.N - Every Interaction Counts

**Category 5 Financial Sustainability**
*Winning team* - Theresa Dimitrakakis, Corinne Davis, and Eliza Tassone
*Title* - Reducing food waste - a plate waste audit

**Overall Winner**
*Winning team* - Kevin Ley, Adal Ukotic, Annette McLeod, and Muhamed Vukovic
*Title* - K.I.T.C.H.E.N - Every Interaction Counts

L-R: Annette McLeod, Kevin Lay, Muhamed Vukovic, Silvana Rametta, Lisa Robins, Assoc Prof Karen-leigh Edward, Ian Grisold (Regional CEO SVPHM)
Nursing Grand Rounds

This year, the Nursing Grand Rounds (NGRs) were established in collaboration with the SVHM Research Directorate and education team and SVPHM Nursing Research Unit and education team and a Nursing representative from the school of Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedicine at ACU. The aims of the NGRs are to promote opportunities for front-line nurses to have access to nursing leaders. In addition, the NGRs aim to advancing nursing research by providing presentations of nurse led research occurring across specialist areas, and to connect front line nurses with researchers.

There were a total of 7 NGRs during 2016, with the inaugural NGR held on the 13th of April. Highly regarded speakers were invited and addressed clinically relevant and evidence informed topics. Of note the Commonwealth Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer, Adjunct Prof Debra Thoms presented updates on contemporary nursing in Australia and engaged the audience in interesting dialogue about the direction of the profession. Work place learning was presented by Assoc Prof Jenny Newton, and Prof Peter Hudson presented his research related to the involvement of family in palliative care. A Domestic Violence panel was convened during the year for a NGR that focused on how nurses can engage with patients who may be victims of domestic violence. The highly experienced panel members were Mr Ian Grisold, Regional CEO of SVPHM; Ms Jocelyn Bignold, Chief Executive Officer of McAuley Community Services for Women; Ms Jacquie O’Brien, Chief Executive Officer of Tweddle Child and Family Health Service; and Ms Robynne Klyne, Midwifery Educator SVPHM (who holds the portfolio for education related to domestic violence for SVHA).

The NGRs were generally well attended, and we hope more nurses are able to attend these in 2017.

Aikenhead Centre for Medical Discovery Research Week

The Aikenhead Centre for Medical Discovery (AMCD) Research Week is an annual event held at SVHM. This year, SVPHM had 9 poster submissions and 1 presentation accepted. There were 2 poster presentations in the Allied Health category, 3 in the Clinical category and 4 in the Nursing category. This is a 90% improvement on previous years where SVPHM presence in the annual event was not as prolific. The NRU was a Finalist in the Senior Investigator category and was awarded with the Best Poster in Nursing Awards this year for a nurse led study about health outcomes 12 months post post cardiac intervention in cardiac patients.
SVPHM Staff Research Outputs

Publications


Conference Presentations


Brown, R. (2016). Interplast - Volunteer work to deliver breast cancer education to nurses in the Solomon Islands. SVPHM Exceptional Care/Exceptional Service Expo, Melbourne Australia, 9 - 13 May.


Conheady, G., & Freeman, J. (2016). Nurse clinical handover bedside vs group - A literature review. SVPHM Exceptional Care/Exceptional Service Expo, Melbourne Australia, 9 - 13 May.

Crane, R. (2016). Living St Vincent’s mission abroad: Learn To Live (LTL) Indonesia. SVPHM Exceptional Care/Exceptional Service Expo, Melbourne Australia, 9 - 13 May.


McShane, C. (2016). St Vincent’s Private Hospital Melbourne, takes the lead in preadmission services. *SVPHM Exceptional Care/Exceptional Service Expo, Melbourne Australia, 9 - 13 May.*


Smith, D. (2016). Partnering with consumers to create a better hospital for all. *SVPHM Exceptional Care/Exceptional Service Expo, Melbourne Australia, 9 - 13 May.*


Williams, T., Wain, J., & McDonald, S. (2016). Pastoral care is...Heart speaking to heart. *SVPHM Exceptional Care/Exceptional Service Expo, Melbourne Australia, 9 - 13 May.*

Yalcin, N. (2016). Primary nurse system - Developing positive relationships in the operating theatre. *SVPHM Exceptional Care/Exceptional Service Expo, Melbourne Australia, 9 - 13 May.*
Nursing Research Unit Research Outputs

Grants Awarded
(SVPHM staff/VMP coloured, SVHA staff underlined, NRU staff bold)

INDUSTRY AND PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION GRANTS

2016 Edward, K., Francis, K., Doyle, C., Smith, G., Waddington, M., Giandinoto, J., & Staines, C. The development of the Australian Catholic Mission in Action in Nurses Scale, St Vincent's Health Australia [$25,000]

2016 Edward, K., Giandinoto, J., Brown, E., Clarke, J., & Mills, C. Enhancing nurses’ communication to family members and its impact on family satisfaction in Intensive Care Units: An Australian study, Nurses Board of Victoria Legacy Limited Research Grant [$19,477]
Peer Reviewed Publications

Q1

Holland, C., Edward, K., & Giandinoto, J. (accepted 21 Nov 2016). Nursing and focal dyscognitive seizures – a clinical update when managing risk using advanced nursing care. *Journal of Neuroscience Nursing* [IF=0.724].


Q2


Q3


Conference Publication

Conference Presentations

(SVPHM staff/VMP coloured, SVHA staff underlined, NRU staff bold)

**International Conferences**


**National Conferences**


**Keynotes**


Professional Affiliations

Associate Professor Karen-leigh Edward

External Advisory Committee and/or Expert Membership

2016: Panel reviewer –Projects and Partnership Projects NHMRC
2016-present: Board member, National Translational Research Group, Society of Hospital Based Pharmacists, Australia
2015-present: Editorial Board, International Interdisciplinary Journal of Skin Integrity
2015-present: Editorial Board, Austin Journal of Nursing & Health Care
2014-present: International Member Management Board, Institute of Skin Integrity and Infection Prevention, University of Huddersfield UK
2014-present: Member, St Vincent’s Hospital Melbourne Human Research Ethics Committee
2014-present: Member, Australian College of Nursing
2012-present: Member, Australian College of Nursing Board Member of Higher Education Board, Mayfield Education
2011-present: Fellow, Australian College of Mental Health Nurses
2006-present: Member, Mental Health Nurses in Private Practice Group/Australian College of Mental Health Nurses

Internal Advisory Committee Membership

St Vincent’s Private Hospital Melbourne

2014-present: Chair, Research Committee
2011-present: Director, Nursing Research Unit
2011-present: Member, Heads of Department
2011-present: Member, East Melbourne Management Group
2011-present: Member, Fitzroy Campus Management Group
2011-present: Member, Education Committee

Australian Catholic University

2012-present: School of Nursing, Midwifery and Paramedicine Research and Research Training Committee

Jo-Ann Giandinoto

Professional Membership

2016-present: Reviewer, American Journal of Men’s Health
2016-present: Reviewer, Nurse Education Today
2016-present: Reviewer, Journal of American Psychiatric Nurses Association
2015-present: Reviewer, Archives of Psychiatric Nursing
2014-present: Member, Australian College of Nursing
2014-present: Member, Mental Illness Fellowship of Victoria
2013-present: Member, Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation

Community Engagement

2015-present: Volunteer, St Mary’s House of Welcome Victoria

Cally Mills

Professional Membership

2014-present: Reviewer, Journal of Infection Control Nursing
2013-present: Member, Australian College of Nursing

Professional Affiliations
Key Affiliates

International Affiliates
University of Huddersfield, UK
University of Salford, UK

National Affiliates
Central Queensland University
Deakin University
Federation University
La Trobe University
Melbourne Gastro-Oesophageal Surgery Group
Monash University
Multigate Medical Products Pty Ltd
The University of Melbourne
University of Canberra
University of South Australia
University of Tasmania
The O’Brien Institute
Victorian Breast and Oncology Centre