



NEONATAL NURSES ASSOCIATION

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NNA Annual General Meeting (AGM) Thursday 23rd March 2023

Virtual via Zoom

14 in attendance, including NNA board members: Róisín-McKeown Carter (RMC) (Chair), Colm Darby (CD), Patrick Turton (PT), Kelly Harvey (KH), Katie Gallagher (KG), Julia Petty (JP), Shahid Javed (SJ) (Treasurer).

Welcome & Apologies (Chair) Apologies: Elisa Lakhan-Hector, Karen Mainwaring.

Conflicts of interest (Chair) None declared.

Amendments to AGM 21/22 AGM minutes (Chair) None.

Chair's report (Chair) An impactful year during which we launched our PhD support and published resources to support nurses to publish their work and projects in our Journal, the Journal of Neonatal Nursing. Our Linking research & education in neonatal care (Learn) SIG delivered 2 sessions for members. We ran 2 webinars led by our neonatal transport lead trustee, resulting in the development of the NNA Neonatal Transport SIG that will launch May 2023.

We launched our free student membership offer and delivered 3 webinars for our student members. Our conference 'Embracing positive workplace culture' attracted hundreds of delegates from around the world.

The NNA awarded 5 more NNA members with scholarships supporting exciting and important projects and research. The NNA celebrated neonatal nurses, AHPs and teams by giving 3 prestigious awards acknowledge the hard work and commitment of the neonatal workforce.

The NNA collaborated on the Get it Right First Time (GIRFT) neonatal workforce report. We also worked with the Clinical Reference Group, NHS England, Health Education England, Neonatal Programme Board, National Implementation Board (NIB), National Bereavement Care Pathway (NBCP) - RCPCH - National Neonatal Audit Programme (NNAP), Neonatal Partnership Board, CAG (Clinical Advisory Group), MIS (Maternity Incentive Scheme) and NHSR (NHS Resolution). The NNA wrote to all 4 CNOs highlighting workforce pressures and met with the Chair of the Neonatal APPG to raise the issue of safe staffing, recruitment and retention. The NNA raised the profile of neonatal nursing and supported nurses in Wales at the Mat/Neo safety summit in Cardiff. We have also re-established our committee in Wales and launched a pilot regional hub in the East of England. The NNA in NI hosted an in-person workshop and will deliver their conference in April 2023.

Finance Summary Report (Treasurer) The financial year 2021/22 annual report including a financial summary is available via the NNA website. New external examiners Plummer Parsons proposed by Shahid Javed and seconded by Colm Darby.

Voting in of new Trustees Róisín-McKeown Carter nominated Eoin Fowell as Legal Lead. Seconded by Patrick Turton.

Any other business (Chair) A thank you to all NNA members for their engagement and to those attending the meeting.