

# **International Medical Informatics Association: Nursing Informatics**

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#### Executive Committee (2021-2024)

Chair Ann-Kristin Rotegård Vice-Chair (Membership) Joy Lee Vice-Chair (Admin & Finance) Margie Kennedy Vice-Chair (Communication) Michelle Honey Vice-Chair (Advisory Panels) Nick Hardiker

#### Farewell from IMIA NI Executive Committee

The current IMIA NI Executive Committee finishes its term at the end of 2024. It is therefore a good time to reflect on what we have achieved during the last four years.

We commenced our term at the beginning of 2021 with the world still reeling in the aftermath of COVID-19. I am proud to have worked with such a competent and dedicated team, and together we have achieved a lot. Among other things, we have revised the Bylaws, transformed working groups into Advisory Panels with guarterly reports as input to the Board's priorities and work, in line with our strategic plan. We have initiated annual webinars to disseminate knowledge/information and encourage collaboration which has increased the focus on nursing informatics, and these have helped bridge the gap before we could meet in person at the successful NI2024 Congress in Manchester.

We have been sending out monthly newsletters with great help from our honorary fellows, to provide recognition and information about the history of IMIA NI, as well highlighting upcoming events. We have increased the number of society members and for the first time, Africa is represented. We have contributed to the IMIA yearbook, and many of our members have given presentations at national, regional, and international conferences and events focusing on nursing informatics and the work of IMIA NI. We are experiencing increased interest in following us on LinkedIn.

That being said, there is much more that could have been done, and we are pleased to have a strong new Board that will put nursing informatics on the map, politically as well as professionally. Now it's up to you, our members, to contribute as best you can. Join one of our Advisory Panels, take the initiative to publish and seek opportunities for collaboration. We welcome good ideas and input for our future development. With that, we would like to thank you for your work and collaboration to date.

While this IMIA NI Executive Committee finishes up at the end of December, not all members are leaving. Margie Kennedy, Michelle Honey and I are standing down, but Nick Hardiker and Joy Lee are continuing for another term, therefore ensuring continuity.

It just leaves me to thank the IMIA NI Executive Committee for all their hard work and support, and to wish the incoming IMIA NI Executive Committee all the best.

### WHAT IS IMIA NI?

IMIA NI is the world body for health and biomedical informatics. The focus of IMIA-NI is to foster collaboration among nurses and others who are interested in Nursing Informatics to facilitate development in the field. We aim to share knowledge, experience and ideas with nurses and healthcare providers worldwide about the practice of Nursing Informatics and the benefits of enhanced information management.

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Please share this newsletter with your networks and national nursing informatics organizations.



And to all of you, my wishes for health and happiness in 2025, from Ann-Kristin Rotegård, outgoing Chair IMIA NI.



## IMIA NI Honorary Member Connie White Delaney by Diane Skiba

Connie White Delaney, PhD, RN, FACMI, FNAP, FAAN, holds a BSN with majors in nursing and mathematics, a MA in Nursing, PhD in Educational Administration and Computer Applications, postdoctoral study in nursing & medical informatics, and a Certificate in Integrative Therapies & Healing Practices. Currently she is Professor and Dean at the University of Minnesota School of Nursing, and she also serves as Core Faculty in the Institute for Health Informatics and as the Knowledge Generation Lead for the National Center for Interprofessional Practice and Education.



In addition, Dr Delaney has also served as Associate Director of the Clinical Translational Science Institute (CTSI)–Biomedical Informatics and as the Acting Director of the Institute for Health Informatics in the Academic Health Center from 2010-2015. In addition to her role as professor and Dean, Connie is an adjunct professor in the Faculty of Medicine and Faculty of Nursing at the University of Iceland, where she received an Honorary Doctor of Philosophy in Nursing in 2011. Furthermore, Dr Delaney is an elected Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing, American College of Medical Informatics, and National Academies of Practice. She is the first Fellow in the College of Medical Informatics to serve as a Dean of Nursing. Dr Delaney was an inaugural appointee to the USA Health Information Technology Policy Committee, Office of the National Coordinator, and Office of the Secretary for the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services. Currently, she serves as Chair of the American Academy of Nursing Artificial Intelligence (AI) Taskforce, and on the Steering Committee of the Alliance for Nursing Informatics (AMIA-HIMSS), for which she was Founding Co-Chair.

She has been a member of IMIA-NI since 1995, and an Honorary member since 2009. Connie has a focus on international data standards, exchange, data analytics and knowledge discovery and she continues to explore the use of the International Nursing Minimum Data Set. Delaney is an active researcher in data and information technology standards for nursing and health care, and big data knowledge discovery. She has supported the essential role of IMIA NI in all their international relationship and knowledge building activities.

# Medical and Health Informatics 9-13 AUGUST 2025

WHEN: August 9 to 13, 2025WHERE: Taipei International Convention Center (TICC) in Taipei, Taiwan.

MedInfo 2025 will be hosted by the Taiwan Association for Medical Informatics (TAMI) on behalf of the International Medical Informatics Association (IMIA). The theme for this event is "HealthcareSmart × MedicineDeep". Options for submissions include a scientific paper, poster, workshop, tutorial, panel, or to submit an abstract under a Digital Health Experiences stream. You still have time to make a submission as the deadline for MedInfo2025 has been extended to 10 January 2025.

The organisers are also inviting researchers and professionals to support the conference by signing up as reviewers. If you are interested in assisting, please visit the Reviewer page in the Submission System, log in to your profile, and select your areas of expertise <u>here</u>.

#### Upcoming Events and News

- Medical Informatics Europe conference, <u>MIE 2025</u> is being held in Glasgow, Scotland, 19-21 May 2025.
- MedInfo'25 will be held in Taipei, Taiwan 9-13 August 2025. Submissions are now 10 January 2025.
- NI2028 advance notice that NI2028, with the theme "Pushing boundaries: Digital in a nursing world" will be held in Las Vegas, USA 2 5 November 2028.

Please let us know if you have any news or events to share