



International Medical Informatics Association: Nursing Informatics Special Interest Group

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Executive Committee (2021-2024)

Chair Ann-Kristin Rotegaard
Vice-Chair (Membership) Joy Lee
Vice-Chair (Admin & Finance) Margie Kennedy
Vice-Chair (Communication) Michelle Honey
Vice-Chair (Working Groups) Nick Hardiker

Honorary Members by Diane Skiba

Honorary Members are integral participants of the IMIA NI special interest group. According to the IMIA NI SIG 2012 bylaws, honorary members are "Persons who have earned exceptional merit in furthering the aims and interests of IMIA-NI may be accepted as Honorary Fellows by the IMIA-NI General Assembly. Honorary Fellowship is conferred for life, or as otherwise defined in IMIA-NI Policies. A past chairperson of IMIA-NI automatically becomes an honorary fellow member." Our definition of honorary fellowship is derived from IMIA's statute 2.2.5 under membership. We also follow the following IMIA's statutes 3.1/3.2: "Nominations for Honorary Fellowship are made by the Nominating Committee, or by recommendation of the IMIA Board. To acknowledge the contributions of a colleague who has died, the General Assembly of IMIA may confer Honorary Fellowship posthumously.

At the present time, we have 31 honorary members that include three members who are deceased. Our deceased members included: Joan Edgecumbe, Barry Barber and Hans Peterson. We have 12 previous chairs and other colleagues who have significantly contributed to IMIA NI.

In upcoming IMIA NI SIG Newsletters, we will highlight honorary members and their contributions to the discipline of nursing informatics. In the next issue, I will start with our first chair of the IMIA Working Group 8: Nursing Informatics, Maureen Scholes, SRN, MBCS.

WHAT IS IMIA-NI?

IMIA-NI is the world body for health and nursing 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.

A 1-page information sheet about IMIA-NI is available [here](#)



IMIA Nursing Informatics Special Interest Group,
<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/6716836/>

How does the strategy plan of IMIA-NI help us?

By Tso Ying (Joy) Lee

The Taiwan Nursing Informatics Association (TNIA) regularly posts the objectives, strategies, and plans of IMIA-NI on their website so they can be downloaded for clinical use by hospitals and educational institutions. Taiwan sees this information as important references for the annual development plans of hospitals, as well as for educational purposes. Joy Lee shared with the nurses in TNIA how IMIA-NI also collects annual country reports on the advancements in nursing informatics, and that this is a resource and overview of what's happening worldwide. Joy states that she hopes "that the goals of IMIA-NI will be realized through future cross-border cooperation, thereby increasing the international visibility of IMIA-NI in the field of professional nursing".



The screenshot shows the website of the Taiwan Nursing Informatics Association (台灣護理資訊學會). The main heading is "第六屆第一次會員大會暨理、監事選舉" (6th Annual General Meeting and Board Election) on March 27, 2021. A note indicates that users should use ATM transfer for payment and provide their name, amount, time, and account number. Below this is a table of activities:

活動日期	研討會課程	活動地點
2021/04/16	初階資訊護理師培訓課程-高醫	高雄醫學大學附設中和紀念醫院
2021/03/22	2021年智慧照護觀摩競賽	臺北市立聯合醫院中興院區
2021/02/19	護理資訊實務訓練大數據工作坊	臺北醫學大學附設醫院

A purple circle highlights a document titled "IMIA-NI Strategy plan 2019-2021" which is a detailed strategic plan with various sections and bullet points.

The IMIA-NI Strategy was shared in the [March newsletter](#). The full version of this item is available here [IMIA-NI website \(link\)](#)

A quick read

Nursing informatics colleagues provide an international view of digital health. This guest editorial in the *Journal of Nursing Scholarship* is from nurses in Brazil (Sayonara Barbosa and Grace Dal Sasso) and US (Patti Abbott) that was published at the beginning of the year.

The reference is: Barbosa, S., Abbott, P. A., & Dal Sasso, G. T. M. (2021). Nursing in the digital health era. *Journal of Nursing Scholarship*, 53(1), 5-6. <https://doi.org/doi:10.1111/jnu.12620>. It can be accessed at: [here](#).

New publications

- Saba V.K. & McCormick K.A. (Eds) *Essentials of Nursing Informatics*, 7th edition (2020)-McGraw-Hill
- Hussey P. & Kennedy M. (Eds) *Introduction to Nursing Informatics*, 5th edition (2021)-Springer

Upcoming Events

- **MIE 2021:** 31st Medical Informatics Europe Conference (MIE2021), May 29-31 2021. [Information](#).
- **NI2021:** Nursing Informatics International Congress (NI2021), August 23–2 September 2021. <https://ni2021.org/>. Open to receive submissions until 30 April 2021.

If you know of other events or publications, please let us know so we can add them here.