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Kathleen A. McCormick, PhD, RN, FAAN, FACMI, FHIMSS has been a leader and pioneer in Nursing Informatics nationally and internationally for over 42 years. Kathleen received her PhD in Physiology and a minor in Computer Science. She has been an honorary member of the IMIA NI SIG since 1984. During that time, she was the Director of Nursing Research at the Clinical Center at the National Institutes of Health (NIH), while serving in the US Public Health Service (USPHS) as a Commissioned Officer.

In 1981 she and Virginia Saba taught a course entitled Computers in Nursing at the Graduate School of NIH The Foundation for Advanced Education in the Sciences (FAES). A landmark publication (Romano, McCormick & McNeely, 1982) was on' Nursing documentation: A model for a computerized data base'. She was one of the first nurses to present at the 1983 conference Annual Symposium on Computer Applications in Medical Care (SCAMC), now the American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA) conference. She was the vice-chairperson, Executive Committee, Council of Computer Applications in Nursing, at American Nurses Association (ANA) 1984-1986; on the Board of Directors of AMIA 1998-2000 and was the Chair Elect and Chair of the Nursing Working Group at AMIA 2003-2006.

She is a Fellow in the American Academy of Nursing (AAN), the American College of Informatics (ACMI) and in Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS). She is an elected member of the National Academy of Medicine (former IOM) and the Academy of Medicine of Washington, DC. She has been a member of Sigma Theta Tau since 1969 and received the Sigma Theta Tau's Virginia K Saba Leadership in Informatics Award in 2013. She received the Friends of the National Library of Medicine's (FNLM) Nursing Informatics Award in 2015, and the Vision Award in 2001 from Systems Research & Applications Corporation (SRA) for her business development in genomics and bioinformatics. She also received an honorary law degree from Barry University in December 1998.

In 1998, Dr McCormick retired as a Captain from the US Public Health Service after a 30-year career and began a business career with SRA.com and developed their Genomics, Bioinformatics and Life Sciences Solutions program. In 2004, Kathleen became Chief Scientist/Vice President at SAIC; in 2009 she joined SAIC-Frederick (now Leidos Biomedical Research, Inc.), then in 2015 she established SciMind, LLC and published and consulted on translating genomics and pharmacogenomics to nursing process documentation. She has authored over ten books, including the award-winning, *Essentials in Nursing Informatics*, now in its 7th ed. (2021) based on her NIH graduate teaching with Dr. Virginia Saba. She is also the co-author of *Healthcare Information Technology: Exam Guide for CompTIA and Healthcare IT Technician and HIT Pro Certifications* and a second edition entitled *Healthcare Information Technology Exam Guide for CHTS and CAHIMS Certification* (2018) with Dr. Brian Gugerty, and Dr. John E. Mattison.

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.

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

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

NI2024: Call for Committee Members – your chance to help

The next International Nursing Informatics Conference will be held in Manchester, UK 28-21 July 2024. The organisers are seeking willing and enthusiastic individuals to join the Scientific Programme and Editorial Committees. They are seeking expressions of interest from individuals with research and/or practice implementation and/or education expertise and are looking to appoint a committee that represents the diversity of the international Nursing Informatics community, with members from across continents and with a range of experience. They would particularly welcome individuals who are currently students or early in their nursing informatics careers. Committee members would be expected to attend regular planning meetings for the conference, and provide expert input to the conference programme, ensuring a high quality and diverse range of presentations and other types of activity that would be of interest to the nursing informatics community.

All interested individuals should submit a 2 page summary CV and a short statement (300 words maximum) to dawn.dowding@manchester.ac.uk outlining why they would like to be considered for the Committees and how they could contribute to the Conference organisation. In your application please also state which Committee you are applying to join.

Deadline: **Monday 19th December** and notification of the outcome in **January 2023**

Applications will be evaluated using the following criteria:

- Evidence of research, practice implementation and/or education expertise in the field of nursing informatics (applicable to experience)
- Statement of contribution to the committee – what, how, why
- Demonstrable ability to provide the level of commitment required to be a meaningful contributor to committee work.

Role of Scientific Programme Committee:
- Determine the theme of the conference
- Design call for papers/presentations
- Manage process for review of submissions and composition of final scientific programme
- Collaborate with Editorial team for proceedings publication
- Collaborate with local conference planning committee to coordinate final scientific programme.

Role of Editorial Committee:
- Determine composition of proceedings publication
- Write/co-write editorial components of proceedings publication
- Work with publisher regarding requirements for publication.

If you are interested but would like more information please contact the Conference Chair, Dawn Dowding (dawn.dowding@manchester.ac.uk)

Recording available of 2022 Global webinar- "Workforce empowerment for future challenges"

Due to the many requests received and to help those who missed the global webinar on at the end of September on "*Workforce empowerment for future challenges*" that was hosted by the Slovenian Nursing Informatics Interest Group in collaboration with IMIA NI, we are delighted to be able to provide a link to the recording. Many thanks to Boštjan Žvanut for his editing and providing this!

The event was opened by representatives of the Nurses and Midwives Association of Slovenia, Monika Ažman and Anita Prelec, followed by three wonderful keynote speakers: Diane Skiba, Patrick Weber, and Uroš Rajkovič. Next was a panel discussion, with the IMIA NI Executive Committee, in conjunction with Boštjan Žvanut. The last part of the webinar, where smaller groups discussed the challenges of empowering nurses in nursing informatics is not included.

Upcoming Events and News

- **MedInfo 2023** is being held in Sydney, Australia, 7-12 July.
- Slovenia is hosting the 21st International Conference on Artificial Intelligence in Medicine (AIME 23), which includes AI in Nursing, 12-15 June 2023. More info at https://www.aimedicine.info/aime23/.
- **NI 2024** will be in Manchester, UK, July 21-24, 2024. The theme is 'Applied nursing informatics: Innovations in the practice of nursing informatics'. **@ni2024**

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