Clinical Interest Group (CIG)

Dear HITH employee

As you may know, my research titled ‘Hospital in the Home registered nurse perceptions of their Scope of Practice: A phenomenological study’, is almost ready for submission. The research outcomes have shown there are multiple levels of registered nurses employed in Australian HITH services. However, there are glaring differences in position descriptions (some barley meeting the NMBA Standards), discrepancies in role functions and education levels. The recommendations are two-fold: First (2021-2022), to align position descriptions to NMBA standards and guidelines for practice. Secondly (2022-2023), to review what education do HITH registered nurses need. You may be member for the first year or continue into the second year, dependent on your interest. As there are a number of activities that need to be completed, I need your help.

What I need from you is commitment, that means-

1. Regular attendance at meetings from 24th September 2021, this is a preliminary meeting to outline my thoughts and gain your input;
2. Completing task(s) allocated by an agreed date, and if needed request for timely assistance; and
3. A degree of passion for work well done.

What do you receive from the SIG-

1. Collaboration and networking skills,
2. Acquire research skills such as gathering, collating, and analysing data,
3. Report, article, and business letter writing,
4. Presentation skills with opportunities to present at the HITH conference and others, and
5. Grateful thanks from me, and if you have these skills already that’s fantastic!

What you need to join the CIG-

1. Time to attend, in work time or in your own,
2. If in work time written permission from your line manager, and
3. Ensure you have completed the roster requests for the meetings, and
4. Lastly, passion for the registered nurse status and for HITH Nursing to become more recognised across Australia.

If this is you, and you can fulfill these requirements, please contact me by **August 31st on the email address below**, stating why you should be a Clinical Interest Group member. I look forward to being inundated with your interest.

The first meeting will be on **Friday 24th September** and is **open to members and non-members,**

**2.30-3.30pm**

Click on the link below to join the meeting.

**<https://us05web.zoom.us/j/3077465106?pwd=RndycHdXdkJDZmlDQ1lzSGQ1MS9pUT09>**

However, if you wish to continue with the Clinical Interest Group you need to be a HITH member. Please go to **https://www.hithsociety.org.au/** to become a member. Additionally, although this group is for nursing issues, members of other disciplines will be welcome as a CIG member.

Many thanks,

With kind regards,

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