



Editorial

Natalie Spearing • Editor-in-Chief

Following a necessarily comprehensive handover from outgoing editor Gabby Robathan, it is my intention to work with you to continue Gabby's work, and that of her predecessors, in securing *Australian Infection Control's* position as the premier infection control journal in our region.

To achieve this end, it is essential that material of high quality continues to be submitted for publication. The many professional disciplines involved in the field of infection control provide a rich foundation for the generation of publishable material. The journal provides a medium for showcasing the wealth of perspectives and findings. Importantly, it provides us with an opportunity to integrate our knowledge of infection control and expand the theory base. The abstracts of the recent national conference in Adelaide, published in this issue of *AIC*, reflect the diversity of disciplines and interests existing among stakeholders in infection control.

Submission to the journal can take many forms, from literature reviews, case studies and original research to book reviews and letters to the editor on topics of interest. The benefits of publication include professional growth and development as well as recognition from your peers of your expertise and hard work.

In the future, indexation of *AIC* with CINAHL (Cumulative Index to Nursing and Allied Health Literature) and AMI (Australasian Medical Index) is anticipated. This will advance the profile of published authors and improve the availability of work published in *AIC*.

With your continued commitment to the success of *AIC*, the journal will advance its reputation as a player in the field of infection control, both in the immediate southeast Asian region as well as internationally. I look forward to playing a role in this stage of the journal's development.

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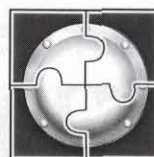
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