



How Times Have Changed

We have come a long way since the first Infection Control Sister was officially appointed.

Looking back it must have been a difficult task to enforce the principles of Infection Control, when nobody really believed that Infection control was an issue. How times have changed. It is wonderful to see that each State and Territory has taken up the challenge and moved forward. Infection Control has passed out of its infancy and marched fearlessly into adolescence. Of course each phase has its own set of problems, but at least now there is a lot more support from the State Departments of Health and also as Infection Control Practitioners we have our own State/Territory Associations which are united by a National body.

The Annual General Meeting of the Australian Infection Control Association Inc. was held at the National Conference in Canberra in May. The Executive of AICA Inc. met before the conference and voted on the positions for the incoming Executive.

The positions on the Executive will be:

Hon President

Madeleine McPherson
Western Australia

Vice President

Mary Mott
Queensland

Hon Executive Secretary

Infection Control Association of
South Australia (ICASA)

Assistant Secretary

Infection Control Association NSW
Inc (ICA NSW Inc)

Hon Treasurer

Victorian Infection Control Nurses
Assoc (VICNA)

Committee Members

Tasmanian Infection Control
Association (TICA)

Infection Control Association of ACT
Infection Control Northern Territory

Co-opted Members

Mary McCrorie – Hon Meeting
Organisers

Dianne Dalton – Editor-In-Chief

AICA Inc Scholarships

The criterion for the application of scholarships has been revised. AICA has two types of scholarships available to financial members.

Scholarship A – for assistance to attend the National Conference – up to the value of \$1,000.

Scholarship B – to assist in the study or assist in funding a research project pertinent to the practice of Infection Control. Value \$1,500.

Application forms are available from your State/Territory Executive.

Applications close on the 31st of December each year.

Johnson & Johnson Medical Infection Control Education Scholarships

Congratulations to the winners of the J & J Scholarships:

Bronwen Mander
Western Hospital

David Gunderson
Royal Women's Hospital

Cathryn Murphy
Prince of Wales Hospital

The scholarship provided the winners with \$2,000 toward the cost of travel and tuition.

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What is AICA?

This is the information contained in the Brochure that was launched at the 9th National Conference.

Copies are available from your State Executive.



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