

## CoNNMO Member Meeting – Friday 9<sup>th</sup> October 2020

### Frances Rice

Frances Rice commenced as Senior Nursing and Midwifery Advisor to the Commonwealth Chief Nursing and Midwifery Officer (CNMO) in the Department of Health in April, 2020. In this role, Frances provides specialist and strategic policy advice to the Executive, the Minister and internal and external stakeholders on complex matters in nursing and midwifery, the health system, health workforce and education issues. Along with the CNMO, she takes a leadership role at national and international levels to build strong and enduring working relationships with a wide range of stakeholders.

During the COVID-19 pandemic, Frances has collaborated with stakeholders to provide timely and relevant information to the nursing and midwifery professions. She has been a panellist on a number of webinars delivering information and answering questions related to primary care and allied health for the Department of Health.

Frances is a Registered Nurse with a Bachelor of Nursing Science from James Cook University and a Master of Business Administration from the Australian National University. Her clinical background is in trauma and orthopaedics as well as fertility. Prior to working in the Department of Health, Frances held a number of roles at the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council across both the Accreditation Services and Skilled Migration Services areas.

### Tanya Vogt

Tanya Vogt was appointed the Executive Officer of the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia in July 2014. Tanya has been working in the area of health practitioner regulation in Australia since 2007, and has been directly involved in the development of the Australian National Registration and Accreditation Scheme.

Tanya has qualifications in nursing and law and has practised in both areas. This combination has provided a solid foundation for Tanya's roles in health practitioner regulation.

### Annie Butler

Annie is the Federal Secretary for the Australian Nursing and Midwifery Federation. Annie was formally appointed to the role in June 2018, having served as the Assistant Federal Secretary since March 2014, and following years of experience in the clinical, professional and industrial areas of nursing.

Annie is a registered nurse with more than a decade's experience working in public hospitals, the community and on health education projects, and a further decade working in research and education.

She worked for the New South Wales Nurses and Midwives' Association, for a further decade, as a professional officer, organiser and lead organiser, prior to moving to the national position of Assistant Federal Secretary and now holding the position of Federal Secretary.

Annie believes that we must fight to maintain the professions of nursing and midwifery in Australia and ensure their advancement. She is passionate about improving Australia's system of health and aged care and the critical role nurses and midwives have to play in the future of our health system. Annie is particularly keen to see nurses drive change for improvements in Australia's aged care sector.

Annie has a degree in Health Science, an Honour's degree in Nursing.

### **Angela Ryan**

Angela is the Australian Digital Health Agency's Chief Clinical Information Officer.

Angela has 30 years' experience in Hospitals and Public Sector Organisations, with more than a decade's experience as a paediatric and adult intensive care Nurse.

Angela is a Fellow of the Australasian Institute of Digital Health and is a founding Vice Chair of the Institute.

In 2017 Angela was awarded a Churchill Fellowship to study methods to prevent patient harm through national digital health safety governance and travelled to the UK, USA and Canada as part of the research. She published her report in July last year and is using this to inform policy at a state and federal level.'

### **Margaret Gatling**

Marg joined ANMAC at its inception in 2010 after working in regulation and accreditation both in the Department of Health and Ageing and the Queensland Nursing Council for several years. Marg was an Associate Director before being appointed as Director Accreditation Services in December 2016.

Marg's research interests include examining cultural representations of society through the lens of critical discourse analysis. Her PhD thesis explores the genesis of ageism and how it effects societal attitudes to ageing and care of the elderly.

### **James Buchan**

Prof Buchan has specialized in nurse workforce policy and analysis throughout his career. He is currently an Adjunct Professor at UTS, a Senior Fellow at the Health Foundation, London, and a part time adviser with the Scottish government on Covid/ health workforce issues.

He also works as a consultant, for governments and international agencies such as WHO, ICN, and the World Bank. His background includes periods working as a senior manager in the National Health Service in Scotland, his home country; senior policy analyst at the Royal College of Nursing, (RCN), UK; specialist adviser with Health Workforce Australia; and senior adviser for WHO.