Name: KARINA WEBB
Time 9:00 - 9:05am

Katrina will be conducting the Official Opening of the NENA Conference.

Name: JODIE DAVIS & MARK STAAF
Time 9:05 - 9:30am

Jodie and Mark will provide a brief overview of the history of the enrolled nurse role in Australia including the formation of NENA and its achievements to date.

The enrolled nurse role has evolved greatly over the past years including the educational preparation of the EN to meet today’s health standards. Jodie and Mark have been involved in the review of the EN qualifications for over 10 years and will provide you with a brief overview of the most recent changes to both the Diploma and Advanced Diploma of Nursing, due to be released early 2016.

Name: LEE THOMAS
Time 9:30 - 9:45am

Lee will talk about the NENA national consultation process that occurred with members and the incorporation of the suggested changes into the new Constitution. She will also discuss the nomination and selection process of the new NENA Executive Committee including relevant timelines and what is envisaged for the NENA of the future.

Name: FIONA STOKER & JACKIE DOOLAN
Time 9:55 - 10:25am

The Australian Nursing and Midwifery Accreditation Council (ANMAC) is an independent entity that assesses and accredits nursing and midwifery programs of study that lead to registration or endorsement with the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA). ANMAC accreditation standards set the standard by which nursing and midwifery programs are assessed for quality and performance. ANMAC accredited programs are listed on the NMBA website as an approved program of study.

This presentation will discuss the review of the Enrolled Nurse Accreditation Standards – the standards used to assess and accredit Diploma of Nursing programs. It will also briefly outline the ANMAC review process and identify key areas for stakeholder consideration specific to the first round of consultation. Proposed revisions to the Enrolled Nurse Accreditation Standards are detailed in a Consultation Paper, which will be accessible on the ANMAC website from the 13 October to the 20 November 2015.

Name: LEE THOMAS & ANNIE BUTLER
Time 10:55 - 11:15am

The ANMF nationally is a partnering sponsor of the ‘Never Alone’ campaign. Annie and Lee will discuss how nurses and midwives can participate in the campaign and relay what the ANMF is doing to promote the campaign and to prevent domestic violence in Australia.
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Name: LINDA STARR & MEGAN-JANE JOHNSTONE  Time 11:20 - 11:50am

On 1 July, 2015, the Australian Border Force Act (No. 40) came into force. A particularly odious feature of this Act are its provisions that would see nurses and other conscientious health professionals gagged from speaking out about the onerous conditions they have directly observed in Australia’s immigration detention centres.

Specifically, under Part 6: 42(1) of the Act, a person is regarded as having committed an offence and risks up to two years imprisonment if, as an ‘entrusted person’ (which includes any current or former Immigration and Border Protection worker), he or she makes a record of or discloses protected information without authorisation.

In this paper attention will be given to briefly examining why the Act represents a disgraceful assault on the nursing profession's agreed standards of ethical conduct. The role and moral responsibility of nurses to give special attention to the needs of people who are especially vulnerable – such as refugees, asylum seeker, and stateless people – and requiring human rights protection will also be considered.

In regard to the latter a brief examination will be made of the interrelationship that exists between vulnerability, dehumanisation, and the discriminatory treatment of refugees and asylum seekers in Australia. It will be concluded that to be lawfully required to breach the standards of ethical conduct in any context is not only unconscionable, but a despicable act of political treachery that risks corroding the moral fabric of our society.

In light of this nurses must ‘stand up and be counted’ and demand the repeal of Part 6 42(1) of the Act; as a matter of social justice they must also co-participate with others in ‘energising dissent’ against the cruel and inhumane treatment of the men, women and children detained in Australia’s immigration detention centres.

Name: LEE THOMAS & MEGAN-JANE JOHNSTONE  Time 12:00 - 12:10pm

Lee will be launching Professor Megan-Jane Jonhtones book Bioethics: A Nursing Perspective, 6th revised edition.

It is the first Australian book on nursing ethics (previously nursing education programs had relied on texts written by US and UK authors). This 6th edition builds on the discussions and thought advanced in the previous five editions and reflects the increasing maturity and sophistication of nursing ethics discourse, locally and globally.

During the day attendees will have the opportunity to win a copy of her book.

Name: LYNETTE CUSACK  Time 12:10 - 12:40pm

Since the introduction of the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme in 2010, the Nursing and Midwifery Board of Australia (NMBA) has established a systematic process to review, consult on, and develop all registration standards related to nurses and midwives.

Since the the National Competency Standards for the Enrolled Nurse were reviewed in 2002, there have been substantial developments in both the role and scope of practice of the enrolled nurse across Australia. A review of the Standards commenced in 2014 with public consultation held between 7 August 2014 and 2 October 2014.

The primary purpose of the review was to evaluate the current NMBA competency standards for the enrolled nurse for relevance and currency against the contemporary role and scope of practice of ENs. The enrolled nurse standards for practice are the core practice standards that provide the framework for assessing enrolled nurse (EN) practice.
The new standards provide clearer wording regarding supervision, delegation and role relationships. Meanwhile content of both nursing and midwifery codes of conduct were last reviewed in 2008, prior to the introduction of the National Registration and Accreditation Scheme.

The publications inform the community and consumers of the standards of professional conduct it can expect nurses and midwives in Australia to uphold. Further, they provide regulatory, employing and professional bodies with a basis against which the professional conduct of nurses and midwives is measured.

Since the revision of the codes in 2008 and the development of the professional boundaries guidelines documents in 2010 substantial changes have occurred within the profession and scope of nursing and midwifery practice. A review of the codes is underway and will contribute to ensuring the suite of complementary NMBA standards, codes and guideline documents reflect contemporary and future nursing and midwifery practice.

**Name: ANGELA GARVEY, NICOLE FOOTE LENOIR, LYNETTE CUSACK, LINDA STARR & MEGAN-JANE JOHNSTONE**

**Time 1:30 - 2:10pm**

Social media - what’s in it for enrolled nurses? ‘It’s a conversation and it’s happening with or without you’ Charlene Li.

This panel will be looking at the pros and cons of social media for nurses. Social media allows nurses unmediated access to public conversations for the first time in history, allowing nurses to have a say anytime, anyway. You can comment on your scrubs, what you had for lunch or you can participate and follow in clinical research, news on public health policy or discussion on nursing issues.

You can do this all through your smart phone in your pocket RIGHT NOW. So do you have the time? Do you care what a hashtag is? What are the boundaries and legalities of taking part in the conversation that is social media? Could your boss fire you for it? Can you claim it as CPE? Should I include a photo of my cat? These questions and more will be discussed.

**Name: KATRINA WEBB**

**Time 2:20 - 2:50pm**

As an Australian sporting legend, Katrina Webb is no stranger to a gold medal podium or a star-lit stage. She has received awards and medals most athletes only dream about. Despite this success, her journey hasn’t always been easy.

Born into a family of sporting stars, it was no surprise that a young Katrina Webb was born with natural athleticism. By the age of eighteen, she had already secured a netball scholarship at The Australian Institute of Sport.

What she didn’t realise at this time was that her sporting career was about to take an unexpected turn.

During training at the Institute of Sport, Katrina was informed that she had a weakness in her right-hand side, which turned out to be a case of Cerebral Palsy. Katrina’s ability to pursue netball at a national level was now in jeopardy. Despite this, a twist of fate presented a previously unseen opportunity. Katrina was now eligible for the Paralympic games. Her weakness had become her greatest strength.
As of the 1st July 2010, when National Registration came in to practice throughout Australia, the NMBA released its first registration standards for nurses and midwives.

The first two standards to be released were the Continuing Professional Development (CPD) registration standard and the Recency of Practice registration standard. In preparation for the CPD standard the ANMF Federal Office released its first CPD website for nurses and midwives, the Continuing Professional Education (CPE) website in 2009, to assist its members to meet this new standard.

The CPD standard applies to registered and enrolled nurses, registered nurses endorsed as nurse practitioners, registered midwives, and registered midwives endorsed as midwife practitioners. CPD is the means by which members of the profession maintain, improve and broaden their knowledge, expertise and competence, develop the personal and professional qualities required throughout their professional lives.

The ANMF Federal Office now has four (4) CPD websites offering best practice, quality and innovative learning content at discounted rates for members to ensure they can meet this standard easily and affordably each year. Jodie Davis, Federal Education Officer will provide a brief explanation of the ANMF CPD websites and some tips on how to ensure you meet your CPD registration standard annually.

In 2007 a team from Nepean Public Hospital Theatres, in association with the Nepean Rotary International Branch developed an overseas medical aid team to assist the disadvantaged people of Bangladesh by providing cleft lip and palate surgery and mentoring for Bangladeshi Surgical Teams.

Since the first mission, there have been annual trips to Bangladesh with 639 operations to date.

In 2011, Pia was privileged to be a member of the surgical mission and on that trip the team performed 115 operations in 9.5 days.

Rhonda will be talking to attendees about her role as an Enrolled Nurse in the Emergency Department at Echuca Regional Health.

Rhonda will also talk about Enrolled Nurses working to their full scope of practice.