From the Associate Dean (Research)...

This Newsletter is another indication of the momentum in research activities and interest that the HUB is beginning to generate. I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge the focus and commitment that the HUB staff are bringing to their positions to ensure that meaningful assistance is given to the Academic staff to foster and support their research activities.

The first team meeting for researchers interested in issues around Ageing met on the 30th of August which resulted in several potential projects being identified and a grant proposal for the first of these projects is nearing completion. We will soon be calling a similar meeting for people interested in being part of a research team interested in Chronic Illness Service Management.

Please put the 30th of November in your diaries so that you can attend the School’s Research Summit (venue to be announced). The theme of the day is “Opportunities for Collaboration and Partnership in Health Research”. We will be inviting clinicians from every health setting that partners us in our teaching activities as well as representatives from Government. The morning program will involve a series of exciting speakers culminating in a panel session. While the afternoon program will be a workshop when we will break into groups to work together to identify health issues that require research, ways to research the issues and potential teams to do the research. How meaningful and productive the day is will depend upon your attendance and interaction. I am looking forward to working with you all to ensure the day is a success.

Dr Jan Paterson
Associate Dean (Research)
What’s NEW in the HUB?

WELCOME

Welcome to new staff in the Health Research Hub over these recent months:

Ms Tracey Siebert as Research Fellow
Ms Annette Green as Research Assistant
Ms Julie Henderson as Research Associate

Tracey Siebert’s Research:

I have specialised in the diabetes chronic disease area for the past 12 years in various capacities and roles within the South Australian health system. I have spent the past 4 years in government policy and research, working towards my PhD, which is associated with a joint Commonwealth/State diabetes research project grant due for completion in 2006.

Following the major government initiatives of Generational Health Review, Regionalisation of health services and finally the reorientation of Dept of Human Services into Dept of Health, the ongoing research support and auspice was considered. A collaboration between Flinders University and Dept of Health to house the research project was forged lead by Dr Jan Paterson, Linda Saunders, and Keith Evans, Director Metropolitan Division Primary Health Care, Department of Health. I am contracted for next 2 years in the role of Research Fellow within the School of Nursing and Midwifery Research Hub to complete the diabetes research project (Southern Adelaide Diabetes Project) and initiate other research projects in the field. I am fortunate to have been able to bring Annette Green (Research Assistant) with me until the end of 2004.

I am very excited and privileged to have been given this opportunity to be part of the new Research Hub team focusing on research, and look forward to learning and working in this supportive, innovative and dynamic environment.

Julie Henderson’s Research & Consultancies:

I worked as a Registered General and Mental Health Nurse in my twenties and returned to university to reinvent myself as a sociologist in my thirties. I recently submitted a PhD in sociology about psychiatric knowledge and mental health policy and the construction of the families of the mentally ill and have an ongoing interest in mental health issues. I have eight years experience in providing research support in the Centre for Research into Nursing and Health Care at the University of South Australia and more recently in the Sociology Department at Flinders University. My role here is to help establish research teams and put together grants but also to work with newer researchers in putting ideas into action and I am looking to meeting you in this role. I’m also going to be providing some consultancy services. I have a background in both quantitative and qualitative data analysis and have worked as the managing editor of the Journal of Sociology for the last 4 years and have some insight into the publication process.

Critical Reviewer Group

As you know the Health Research Hub offers a range of services to academic staff in the research & publication areas. One of them and NEW is the critical review of articles, ethics proposals and grant applications, before their submission to the Research Office.

The idea of critical review (reading) emerged from the research pathways interviews currently conducted by Jan Paterson. By now, a number of academics indicated their willingness to be a reviewer, and they are:

Dr Martin Caon Dr Jackie Jones
Ms Jenny Donovan Dr Lindy King
Dr Paul Drew Dr Trish Mitchell
Ms Lyn Gum Dr Steve Parker
Dr Pauline Glover Dr Jan Paterson
Ms Alison Hutton Dr Trudy Rudge
Ms Heather James Ms Linda Saunders

The offer is still opened, so if you would like to join the group – you are welcome! The group will meet periodically, every member of the School’s Academic Staff will be informed about the time and venue of every consecutive meeting.

We would like to thank those of you who have offered your assistance in the reviewing process and at the same time we encourage all to approach members of the group if you need help or second opinion in your potential publication, grant application or ethics proposal.
The following selection of grant and other funding opportunities are taken from various resources. Should anyone need further information to apply for any of these, please contact the HUB staff as soon as possible. We would be most excited to be of service to you in winning these funding opportunities and providing you with more services to ensure you meet their criteria. So, READ ON very carefully, thoughtfully………………….

**Menzies Centre for Australian Studies - University of London: Australian Bicentennial Scholarships and Fellowships Scheme**

Closing Date : 22/10/2004

Sponsored by : The Australian Bicentennial Scholarships and Fellowships Trust, University of London, invites applications from Australian postgraduate students or academic staff members for Australian for Bicentennial Scholarships or Fellowships tenable in the United Kingdom in 2005.

Contact : E-mail address: menzies.centre@kcl.ac.uk
WWW address: http://www.kcl.ac.uk/menzies/

**Alcohol Abuse and HIV/AIDS in Resource-poor Societies - NIAAA**

Closing Date : 20/12/2004

Sponsored by : Dept of Health & Human Services (DHHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Institute on Alcohol Abuse & Alcoholism (NIAAA)

Contact : Mike Hilton, PhD Ph: +1 (301) 443 8753
Fax: +1 (301) 443 8774 National Institute on Alcohol Abuse & Alcoholism, Division of Epidemiology & Prevention Research, Wilco Building, Suite 302, 6000, Executive Boulevard, MSC 7003.

**Novel Approaches to Study Polymicrobial Diseases - NHLBI**

Closing Date : 20/12/2004

Sponsored by : Dept of Health & Human Services (DHHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute (NHLBI)

Contact : Susan Banks-Schlegel, PhD Ph: +1 (301) 435 0202 Fax: +1 (301) 480 3557 National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute, Division of Lung Diseases, Two Rockledge Center, Suite 10018, 6701, Rockledge Drive, MSC 7950.

**Research on Child Neglect – Department Of Justice**

Closing Date : 20/12/2004

Sponsored by : United States Department of Justice (DOJ), Office of Juvenile Justice & Delinquency Prevention (OJJDP)

Contact : Karen R. Stern, PhD Ph: +1 (202) 514 9395 Fax: +1 (202) 353 9096 Research & Program Development Division Office of Juvenile Justice and Delinquency Prevention, 810, 7th Street, NW

**Research Partnerships for Improving Functional Outcomes - NHLBI**

Closing Date : 06/10/2005

Sponsored by : Dept of Health & Human Services (DHHS), National Institutes of Health (NIH), National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute (NHLBI)

Contact : Suzanne Goldberg, RN, MSN Ph: +1 (301) 435 0532 Fax: +1 (301) 480 1336 National Heart, Lung & Blood Institute, Division of Heart & Vascular Diseases, Clinical & Molecular Medicine Program, 6701 Rockledge Drive, Room 9174, MSC 7940.

**Diabetes Research Grants**

Closing Date : 20/06/2005

Sponsored by : Diabetes Australia, Diabetes Australia Research Trust (DART)

Contact : Diabetes Australia Ph: +61 (0) 2 6232 3840 Diabetes Australia Research Trust, Level 5, 39 London Circuit, Canberra ACT 2601
Royal College of Nursing, Australia: Australian Government Rural and Remote Nurse Re-Entry and Upskilling Scholarship Scheme

Closing Date: 23/09/2004

Scholarship type: Undergraduate or Postgraduate

There are 200 scholarships available each year providing up to a maximum of $6,000 per applicant. The Scheme is funded by the Australian Government Department of Health and Ageing and is administered through the Royal College of Nursing, Australia (RCNA).

Re-Entry: Scholarships under this Australian Government funded Scheme are available to registered and enrolled nurses from rural and remote areas, whose registration has lapsed or who are unable to re-enter the nursing workforce as they have not practiced in recent years. The scholarships are designed to enable nurses from rural and remote areas to undertake re-entry (refresher) programmes.

Upskilling: Scholarships are available for both currently registered and enrolled nurses and will cover funding to undertake practical/clinical training and job skill enhancement. Clinical placements may be funded under this Scheme. Recently re-entered nurses are encouraged to apply under this scheme to further skill themselves for their specific workplace.

For both the Re-entry and Upskilling Scholarships, applicants must be Australian citizens or permanent residents and they must have a principle home address in an identified Australian rural or remote area. Application forms and guidelines are available from the Royal College of Nursing, Australia at the email address and website below or on phone 1800 11 22 40.

E-mail address: scholarships@rcna.org.au
WWW address: http://www.rcna.org.au/

Useful Nursing Research Websites

Australian Research Council (ARC) - Homepage
http://www.arc.gov.au/

Commonwealth Department of Education, Science and Training

National Research Policies - Framework

National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) - Homepage

National Health and Medical Research Council - Developing National Research Priorities
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2004 Publications

Journal articles – published in 2004


MacDougall, C., Schiller, W. & Darbyshire, P. 2004, ‘We have to live in the future’, *Early Childhood Development and Care*, vol. 174, no. 4, pp. 369-387.


Rudge, T. & Morse, K. 2004, Did anything change? Caregivers and schizophrenia after medication changes’, *Journal of Psychiatric and Mental Health Nursing*, vol. 11, pp. 3-11.

Journal articles – accepted for publishing


King, D., Kalucy, R., de Crespigny, C., Stuhlmiller, C. & Thomas, L. (In press), ‘Mental health and alcohol and other drug training for Emergency Department workers; one solution to help manage increasing demand’, *Emergency Medicine.*

Book chapters


Conference presentations


**King, L.** 2004, ‘New and experienced nurses’ perceptions of calling the Medical Emergency Team when seriously worried about a patient in a surgical ward setting’, *Nursing Leadership, Policy and Politics, Royal College of Nursing, Australia National Conference*, Alice Springs, NT, 14-16 July.


Other publications (reports, posters etc.)


**de Crespigny, C., Groenkjaer, M., King, M. & van Loon, A.** 2004, *Clinical management of Aboriginal people with co-existing diabetes and alcohol related health problems – A review*, Final Report, School of Nursing and Midwifery, Flinders University, Adelaide, SA.

From the Executive Dean of the Faculty of Health Sciences...

Professor Roy Goldie’s presentation at the School’s Retreat at the Flagstaff Hill Golf Club in June 2004:

Q : What are the Faculty’s Expectations of You in Research?

A : All academic staff are expected to contribute to the School’s research output: student supervision; 2-3 publications per year. If this isn’t your profile, it should be!

Q : Why?

A : Because research is about the creation of new knowledge and the improvement of the human condition.
Flinders Submission Timetable for the ARC Centres of Excellence Program

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Procedure for submitting grant applications

1. Complete grant application according to instructions from sponsor body and in particular, the Flinders University Certification must be filled. Should any application be sent electronically, this Certificate must still be filled and sent through our Research Hub, to the Office of Research. Applicants may seek for advice from the Associate Dean Research or other research oriented person.

2. Bring the final amended application to the Dean’s Office (or Acting Dean, as appropriate) for signature.

3. Send a copy of the application to the Hub. This ensures that the School’s database is up-to-date

4. Lodge completed grant application within the Flinders Institute for Health and Medical Research and the Faculty of Health Sciences for required signature.

5. Submit signed original application and the required number of copies to the Office of Research in the Registry. The Office of Research directs checked and registered application to the relevant Funding Body.

6. Submit ethics applications as required to the relevant Committee(s).

URGENT Internal deadlines

Grant applications for signing and forwarding to external agencies must be received by the Office of Research by their internal deadlines. These are in the advertisements that come from both the Office of Research and our Research Hub.

SA Chapter of ARMS (Australasian Research Management Society)

A meeting of the South Australian Chapter of the Australasian Research Management Society (ARMS) was held on 9 September 2004 at the University of South Australia. The meeting agreed on a new state Convenor and confirmed an Executive.

SA Convenor: Ms Katrina Hall
Manager, Research Development
Child and Family Health Research Institute
Locked Bag 109
Adelaide SA 5001
Tel: 08 8161 7703
Fax: 08 8161 8177

The Executive Members are:
Ms Christine Steele, Flinders University
Ms Gina Stephens, University of Adelaide
Ms Nicole Morcom, University of Adelaide
Mr Mark Gorringe, University of South Australia

More information about ARMS can be found on their website at: http://www.researchadmin.org.au/

Filled up and over-flowing with energy into more research? Grant applications?
Contact the Health Research Hub staff.