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ACN ENDORSES CoNNMO NATIONAL PRIORITIES

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN), a member of the Coalition of National Nursing & Midwifery Organisations (CoNNMO), endorses CoNNMO's national priorities launched today.

"It is a great result to see 54 nursing and midwifery organisations collaborate to produce the national priorities," Australian College of Nursing CEO, Adjunct Professor Kylie Ward said.

There are 12 national priorities, which include a strong emphasis on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander health, removal of legislative, regulatory and administrative barriers, and a focus on boosting digital literacy.

"ACN advocates for an Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander workforce that can address specific health complexities affecting the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander population," Adjunct Professor Ward explained.

"Australia's nurses are highly skilled professionals with extensive expertise but are not able to work to their full scope of practice due to regulatory barriers. ACN will continue to support CoNNMO in advocating for legislative, regulatory and administrative changes that will result in greater utilisation of nurses – our biggest health workforce," Adjunct Professor Ward said.

"Digital health will play an increasingly important function in future health care delivery. ACN strongly supports measures to make sure our nursing workforce is well skilled to navigate the digital health care environment," Adjunct Professor Ward concluded.

To see the complete list of CoNNMO's national priorities, click [here](#).

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Adjunct Professor Kylie Ward, CEO of ACN.



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Notes to Editors:

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) is the national professional organisation for all nurse leaders and its aim is to ensure that the Australian community receives quality nursing care now and in the future. ACN is a membership organisation with members in all states and territories, health care settings and nursing specialties. ACN is also the Australian member of the International Council of Nurses headquartered in Geneva.

ACN, an organisation not afraid to intelligently challenge industry issues affecting the nursing profession or Australia's health care, is a well-connected and educated national body that drives change with people of influence

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to enhance the delivery of health services to the Australian community. ACN advances the skills and expertise of nurses to provide leadership in their contribution to the policy, practice and delivery of health care.

A membership organisation with members in all states and territories, health care settings and nursing specialities, ACN's membership includes many nurses in roles of influence, including senior nurses, organisational leaders, academics and researchers.

What is the role of ACN to media?

- ACN provides trusted, well supported information about Australia's health care system, the delivery of health care, nursing leadership and the nursing profession.
- ACN has a number of spokespeople within the organisation who can comment on Australia's health care system, the delivery of health care, nursing leadership and the nursing profession.
- ACN offers media with an alternative voice to that of an industrial relations perspective.
- ACN is in-the-know and can comment on health care matters of interest.
- ACN can respond to media requests in a timely manner and with subject/clinical expert's available on-hand for further discussion.
- ACN regularly responds to government updates pertaining to Australia's health care system.

What role does ACN play?

ACN is here to act and deliver results as agents of change. They are working towards a brighter future through advancing nurse leadership to enhance the delivery of health care to all. The organisation provides nurse leaders with access to relevant information, support and education that will enhance Australia's reputation on the world stage.

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