INSTITUTE OF LEADERSHIP

Supporting nurse leaders every step of the way
IGNITING LEADERSHIP POTENTIAL

The Australian College of Nursing (ACN) is the pre-eminent and national leader of the nursing profession and a community of dynamic and passionate nurses.

We are dedicated to our intent of advancing nurse leadership to enhance the health care of all Australians.

We strongly believe that all nurses, regardless of seniority or job title, are leaders.

This is why we are committed to supporting all nurses to realise and reach their full leadership potential.

Discover how ACN’s Institute of Leadership can guide you throughout your leadership journey.

ACN’S INSTITUTE OF LEADERSHIP

As nurses we work in an incredibly fast-paced and ever-changing industry. In our profession, constant learning and development is not optional. Lifelong learning is essential to the delivery of safe and effective health care.

ACN supports nurses to be fully equipped for the challenges and expectations they face in today’s health care environment. No matter where you are at in your career, we are always here for you – every step of the way.

ACN’s Institute of Leadership offers a range of leadership development opportunities, from CPD short courses to formal leadership programs and graduate certificates, to allow nurses to boost their leadership skills and progress their careers.

NURSE EXECUTIVE CAPABILITY FRAMEWORK

ACN’s Nurse Executive Capability Framework sets a national standard for the capabilities required to be a nurse executive. The first of its kind in Australia, the framework supports up-and-coming nurse executives to follow a clear career pathway towards becoming a nurse executive and allows current nurse executives to discover how they can further upskill and succeed in their present roles.
NURSE EXECUTIVE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

ACN’s exclusive Nurse Executive Leadership Program is a career accelerator for ambitious nurses who want to strengthen their influence and command respect and recognition. Whether you are already in an executive position or aspiring to become a nurse executive, this program will allow you to meet the requirements of the Nurse Executive Capability Framework and set you up for success. Program participants receive unparalleled access to accomplished leaders through masterclasses with global and national thought leaders as well as mentoring with C-Suite Executives. Places for the program are strictly limited and allocated by expression of interest only.

MID-CAREER NURSE LEADERSHIP PROGRAM

ACN’s prestigious Mid-Career Nurse Leadership Program is a career consolidator for driven nurses who want to supplement their professional experience with a challenging leadership intensive to advance their careers. The program develops the next generation of leaders through a five-day workshop with national thought leaders followed by six months of learning sets and coaching. Throughout the nine-month program participants are empowered to discover their inner leadership capacity and learn to lead change in a rapidly reforming environment.

EMERGING NURSE LEADER PROGRAM

ACN’s renowned Emerging Nurse Leader Program is a career kickstarter for up-and-coming nurse leaders that want to fast-track their leadership journeys and set themselves up for rewarding careers. Emerging Nurse Leaders receive invaluable opportunities to profile themselves and build connections with senior nurse leaders. Each year up to 50 nursing students, enrolled nurses and registered nurses are offered the opportunity to join the program following a highly competitive selection process.
GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN LEADERSHIP & MANAGEMENT

ACN’s Graduate Certificate in Leadership & Management is a formal qualification that helps students work towards becoming expert practitioners and being considered for higher-grade positions. Graduates will receive credit towards a Master of Nursing from the University of Canberra. If you are not quite ready to commit to a full Graduate Certificate you can test the waters by completing a single unit of study.

LEADERSHIP SHORT COURSES

ACN provides a range of face-to-face and online short courses covering diverse leadership topics. Short courses are an ideal starting point if you would like to ease into an extended study commitment or just want to meet your annual CPD requirement.

CUSTOMISED LEADERSHIP EDUCATION

ACN understands that each organisation is different and faces unique leadership challenges and opportunities. That’s why ACN offers bespoke leadership courses which support nurses to develop the skills they require to address specific organisational challenges and lead their workplaces to success.

NIGHTINGALE CHALLENGE

ACN is proud to support the Nursing Now Nightingale Challenge, which encourages nursing employers around the world to enable 20,000 young nurses and midwives to benefit from leadership training in 2020. To help organisations meet the requirements of the challenge ACN is offering discounted package deals as well as scholarships for the Mid-Career Nurse Leadership Program and Nurse Executive Leadership Program.
“There is no greater power to secure our future than education.”

Adjunct Professor Kylie Ward FACN
ACN Chief Executive Officer

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