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You might notice the new banner leading this edition. I felt we needed to pay respect to our previous newsletters as they were our primary form of contact with members for many years and contained a wealth of valuable content. The new digital form - our ELink - will now embrace the historic newsletter title and will furthermore be identified by this logo. Welcome to this the November 2017 edition - and be reminded that submissions for content are most welcome.



**Planning** for the 22nd Annual OHNNG conference is well underway. **Registrations** are open at <https://www.trybooking.com/SBSO> and I encourage you to browse the conference tab on the website for general details. The program is currently under development and **abstracts** are certainly welcome (details on the conference page at [www.ohnng.com.au](http://www.ohnng.com.au)).

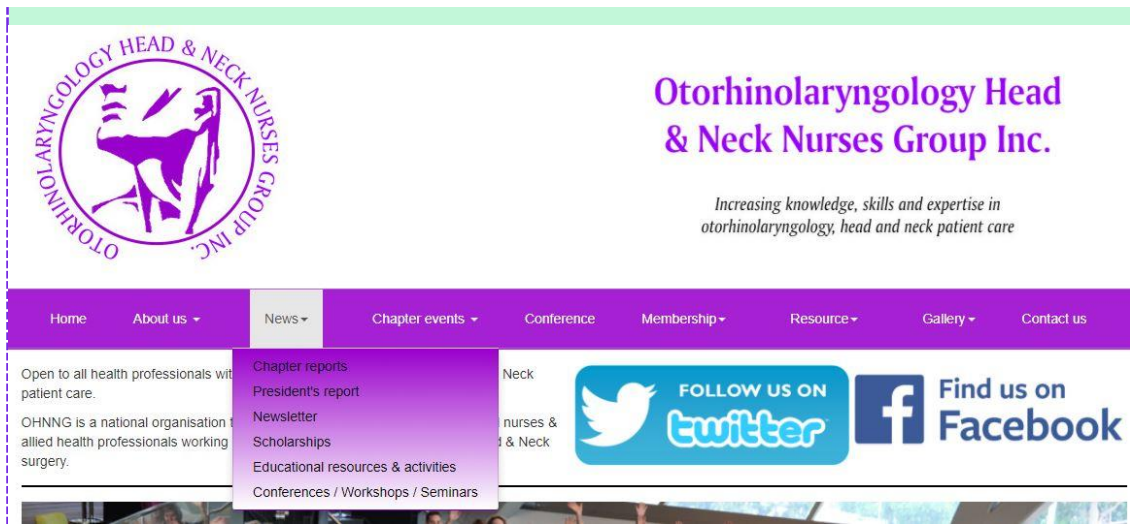
This year there will be an **opportunity** for nurses to offer 10 min presentations - 3 of which will fill a 30min slot. These talks could outline a quality initiative that has been successfully implemented at your workplace which benefits patients or staff, or perhaps an interesting case study or an educational activity that has benefited your colleagues. I am happy to consider any ideas or submission for this segment. I think it is a good opportunity for novice speakers or those in the audience who have something to offer but are reluctant to meet the demands of a 30min presentation. It is always wonderful to hear what our colleagues across

the nation (and ditch!) are doing that we may learn from or adapt to mimic success in own workplace.

Of course, the standard 30min slots will be available for nurses to present their work and I **encourage individuals or teams** to submit abstracts for consideration. I know there are a lot of amazing nurses doing amazing work - and we would love to hear about it and gain valuable knowledge from your experiences.

The welcome reception is to be held at the completion of the first day's program ie Friday 9th March. This will be a great opportunity for OHNNG delegates to get together socially and is conveniently offered at a highly subsidised rate. In fact, it is free for those that have taken full registration and will be partially subsidised for day only delegates. I encourage you to tick the box for the welcome reception and join us for a very pleasant evening of refreshments and chatter.

Looking for CPD opportunities??? Check out the News tab, Educational Resources and Activity page on our website for a series of **podcasts** on ENT topics. Be sure to make a note of the time, date and relevant topic you listened to and write a short reflection of what you gained from the information provided - and file it in your CPD portfolio. There is a great variety of topics and the ones I have listened to have been well worth the time.



*The successful 2017 ANZHNCS meeting was held in Brisbane in October. This meeting is a great overview of all the specialities including nursing and allied staff that manage head and neck cancer and are making great advances in their medical and surgical management. There is much to be gained for those caring for head and neck patients by attending this meeting. Of note is the fact that next years conference will fall on World Head and Neck Cancer Day - July 27th. It will be a wonderful opportunity to highlight the day and I encourage you to save the date and consider attending this meeting. It is also worthy of note that 'local' WHNCD events may need to be scheduled for the weekend prior as many clinicians - that you may want to be involved in your local event - will likely be attending the Melbourne meeting.*



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JOINT MEETING**



AUSTRALIAN AND NEW ZEALAND  
**HEAD & NECK  
CANCER SOCIETY**

20<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting



**ISMR**

15<sup>th</sup> Meeting

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Congratulations to Jacki Huestis from Brisbane (Princess Alexandra Hospital ENT/ Head and Neck Unit) who has been granted sponsorship towards 10 weeks volunteering on a Mercy Ship which will be docked at Douala, Cameroon.



Jackie is currently undertaking some post-grad studies which have impacted her income (volunteers are completely self-funded) and the OHNNG executive and state coordinators were more than happy to grant her request for sponsorship. Jackie has shown us some images from previous missions and we will have the opportunity of seeing some of her work again at the 2019 conference. Good luck Jackie - we wish you happy travels and calm waters.

OHNNG renewal and new memberships are now exclusively completed online. If you are unsure of your anniversary date please contact our secretary Virginia Thomson at [virste@bigpond.com](mailto:virste@bigpond.com) and she can provide the necessary information. Membership WILL NOT be included/offered with conference registration - this will need to be done via the



website membership page prior to registering for the conference.


Don't hesitate to direct your head and neck patients and their carers and loved ones to [www.beyondfive.com.au](http://www.beyondfive.com.au) to enhance their understanding of their disease and its management. The graphics and explanations are excellent and allow your patient to grasp the anatomy and impact of treatment in a visual way at their own pace and in their own time.

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