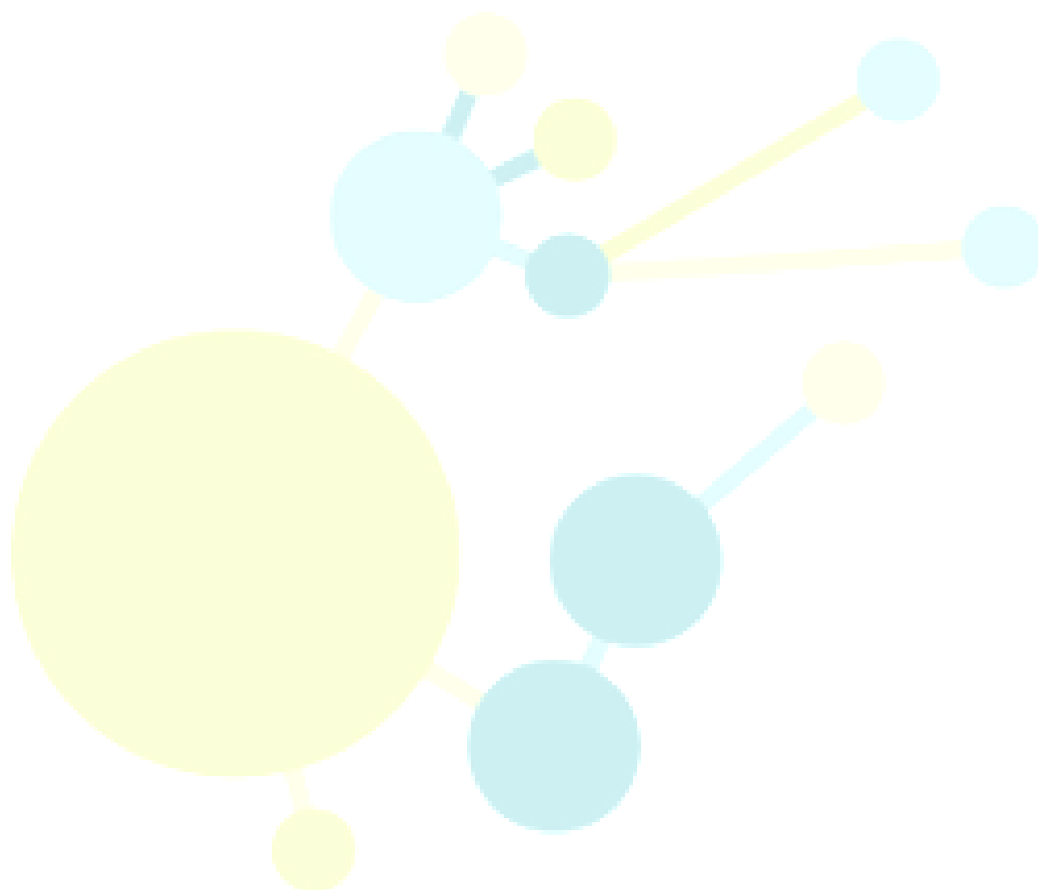




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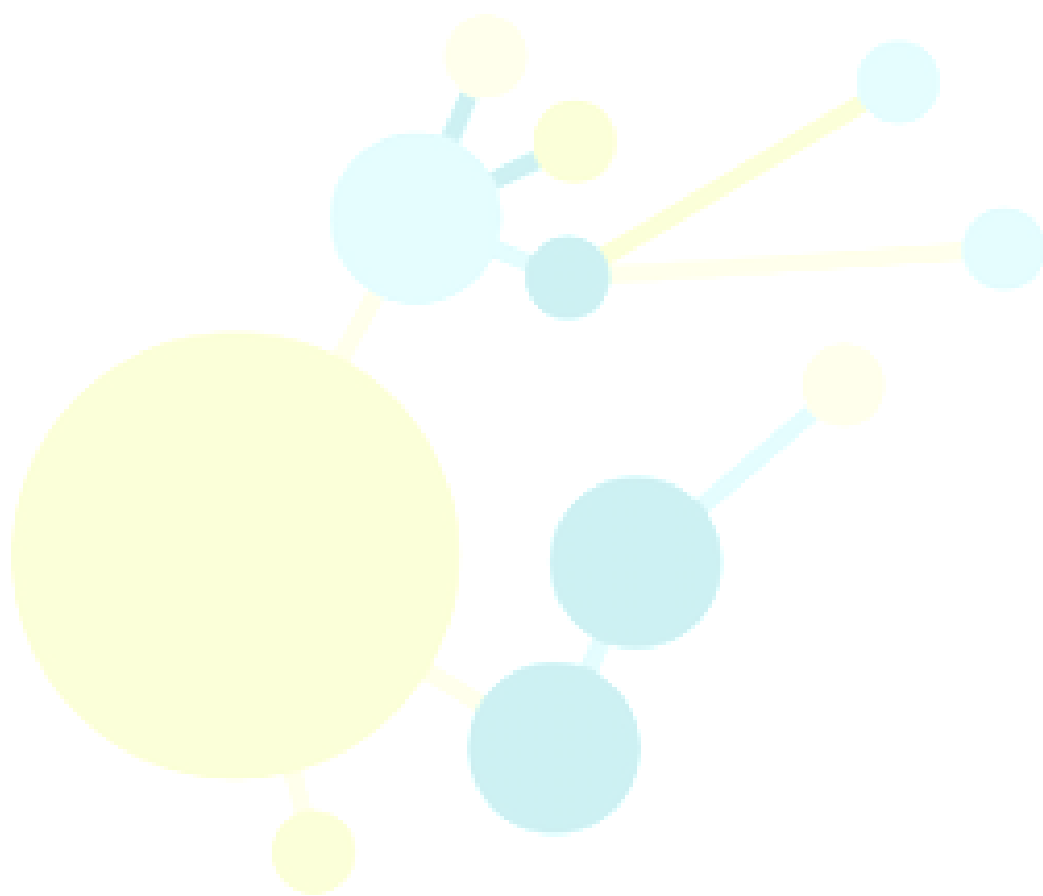


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ABOUT ACIPC

The College is the peak body for Infection Prevention and Control professionals in the Australasian region. Our vision is to prevent and control infection in our communities. The 8 Strategic Priorities of the College endorsed by the ACIPC Board of Directors are:

- Strengthen our profile, communication and relationships with members, industry and partners;
- Grow the business and invest in our financial sustainability;
- Strengthen the reputation and profile of our flagship journal;
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- Expand ACIPC education activities, including short courses and accreditation of external courses;
- Support the growth and profile of the annual ACIPC International Conference; and
- Maintain best practice governance and business processes.

OUR LEADERSHIP

Patron	Professor Peter Collignon AM
President	Professor Marilyn Cruickshank CICP-E
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Board Director International Engagement	Associate Professor Thea van de Mortel, CICIP-E
Board Director Consumer Representative	Mr Peter Martin OAM
Editor-in-Chief	Professor Brett Mitchell, CIPC-E, FACIPC
ACIPC Office Manager	Ms Sara Greal
Education Officers	Ms Fiona Gotterson Ms Sue Greig, CICIP-E

STRENGTHENING OUR PROFILE

Over the past year, the College has continued to grow, both numerically and influence. The elected officers and members of ACIPC represent the College on a number of national and international organisations. In 2018, the College has a number of affiliations and representations which include, but are not limited to the following:

- Australian Strategic and Technical Advisory Committee on Antimicrobial Resistance (ASTAG).
- The Healthcare Associated Infection Advisory Committee of the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality on Health Care
- National Hand Hygiene Advisory Committee
- Confederation of Nursing and Midwives Organisations CoNMO
- Global Health Alliance Melbourne
- AMS Jurisdictional Advisory Committee
- Australasian Society for Infectious Diseases – Healthcare Infection Control Special Interest Group HICSIG
- ACIPC continues its longstanding active contribution to global efforts to prevent and contain the spread of infectious diseases and infection. ACIPC is a long term and committed partner of the Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network (GOARN) whose primary aim is to help affected populations contain infectious disease outbreaks and prevent international emergencies.

- In 2018, ACIPC responded to 11 GOARN requests for outbreak assistance (Cholera, Diphtheria, Ebola Virus Disease, Listeriosis, Lassa Fever, and Poliomyelitis) in various global locations.

GUIDELINES and position statements

- Members representing ACIPC contributed to a number of national position statements and guidelines
 - the updating of the *C difficile* joint position statement between ASID and ACIPC on diagnosis, treatment, and prevention/control
 - the GESA Consensus Statements
 - the development of a joint position statement between ASID and ACIPC on diagnosis, treatment, and prevention/control of *Candida auris*

International profile

- ACIPC is now represented on the Board of International Federation of Infection Control IFIC with a four-year term commencing in January 2019. Representation on IFIC will further consolidate our place on the international stage, and bring benefits to the College and members through increased partnerships and activities.
- In September this year, ACIPC was represented the College as a key note speaker at the APEC Conference on Strategies Against the Evolving Threats from Antimicrobial Resistance (AMR): From Awareness to Concrete Action.” held in Taipei, and last week on the Sunshine Coast, QLD as keynote speaker at the inaugural Australian Veterinary conference on antimicrobial stewardship.

Professional partnerships

- The College has also been active in the AMR space, and have convened a group from Australasian Society for Infectious Diseases, Australian Society for Antimicrobials, to progress advocacy around national coordination on AMR. We are advocating for effective coordination of current and future AMR efforts in human and animal health and agriculture.
- Other External Partnerships include the Australian Dental Association with whom we have worked to develop a training resource (video) for dental assistants on appropriate use of PPE in dental procedures and reprocessing reusable medical devices.

Foundations course

- The College has offered the Foundations for Infection Prevention and Control Course since 2016. The course provides a program of learning for the novice in infection prevention and control, and is designed for professionals from a wide variety of settings. The Foundations Course is a required component to become a Primary Credentialed Infection Control Professional. This year 72 students enrolled in the first intake, and a further 52 students enrolled in the latest intake in October.

Journal profile

After many years of hard work, earlier this year, the College Journal *Infection Disease and Health* was accepted for MEDLINE indexation.

This means that the journal will now reach a much wider audience and appeal to researchers and clinicians. As a result, we would expect continued increase in both the quality and quantity of articles, as well as increased revenue.

Our journal continues to go from strength to strength in 2018, with an increased rejection rate, 420% increase in usage on Science Direct, 20,000 downloads of articles year to date (compared to 12,000 for all of 2017) and acceptance in the Freedom Collection of Elsevier, providing access to the journal to thousands of institutions.

The College as a whole and ACICP members will benefit from MEDLINE indexation– through increased exposure and standing of the College's within Australian and internationally.

ACIPC BOARD MEMBER ATTENDANCE AT 2018 BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETINGS

Board Member	Number of 2018 Board Meetings Eligible to Attend	Board Meetings Attended	Apologies Received
Professor Marilyn Cruickshank	10	9	1
Dr Philip Russo	10	10	n/a
Professor Ramon Shaban	10	10	n/a
Dr Deborah Macbeth	10	9	1
Ms Sally Havers	10	8	2
Ms Kristie Popkiss	10	9	1
Mr Michael Wishart	10	9	1
Dr Stephane Bouchoucha	10 (Appointed February 2018)	9	1
Ms Sandra Roodt	10	7	3
Associate Professor Thea van de Mortel	6 (appointed in March 2018)	4	2
Mr Peter Martin OAM	10	8	2
Dr Sharon Salmon	2 (Resigned February 2018)	1	1

Dr Cathryn Murphy	1 (Resigned January 2018)	0	1
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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is a privilege to write this address to you as President of the Australasian College for Infection Prevention and Control (the College). The Board of Directors of the College oversees the management and leadership of the College and is elected at the Annual General Meeting (AGM) for a two-year term. The current Board of Directors commenced its term of office at the 2017 Annual General Meeting held on 21 November 2017 in Canberra, ACT.

As I commenced my Presidency at the conclusion of the 2017 AGM I recognised the opportunities we have to grow the profile of the College and importantly the membership of the College. It is important for me to recognise and acknowledge the contribution each of you offer to the College and the wider infection prevention and control community.

The first meeting of the Australasian College for Infection Prevention and Control Board of Directors was held in January 2018. The focus of the meeting was twofold: orientation of new Board of Directors to the business of the College and formulation of the strategic direction of the College for the next 2 years.

Each year the ACIPC Board of Directors undertakes a strategic review of the College functions and resources. In 2018 the Board of Directors transitioned the Policy Committee into the Practice Guidance Committee. The Board of Directors determined that the focus for the next 2 years would be to build on the Strategic Priorities adopted in 2016 – with some minor amendments. The 8 Strategic Priorities are:

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- Maintain best practice governance and business processes.

The role of the Practice Guidance Committee is to provide members with up to date relevant information and resources. In conjunction with the formation of the Practice

Guidance Committee, Infexion Connexion was transitioned to a member-only service. The primary purpose of Infexion Connexion is to provide members with a networking forum to facilitate member communication, share ideas, seek advice from peers and benefit from other members' knowledge and experience.

The reports of each of the Chairs follows.

In the first quarter of 2018 the Board received notice of resignation of 2 Directors, Dr Cathryn Murphy and Dr Sharon Salmon. I take this opportunity to acknowledge the contribution of both Dr Murphy and Dr Salmon as members of the College and as Directors. In accordance with the College Constitution, the Board reviewed the results of the election of Directors and Dr Stephane Bouchoucha commenced as a Board Director in February 2018 and Associate Professor Thea van de Mortel commenced as a Board Director in March 2018 in line with the number of votes received in the election. The experience and commitment of Dr Bouchoucha and Associate Professor van de Mortel strengthen the expertise of the Board of Directors even further.

In March 2018 the College engaged two educators to provide the equivalence of a full-time contractor to support the further development of the educational platform and engagement with members to add further value and support to all members. The ACIPC webinar series returned in August 2018 with very positive feedback from attendees. The webinars are scheduled to occur on a monthly basis.

Membership as at November 2018:

The College now has 938 members and the breakdown is as follows:

- 876 Full Members
- 3 Fellows
- 18 Life Members
- 6 International Members
- 8 International Developing Country (LMI) Members
- 9 Retired Members
- 17 Post Graduate Student Members
- 1 complimentary (Board Member – Consumer Representative)

At the time of the annual Conference 2017 College membership had reached 852 and following marketing efforts, reached just over 1000 members at the end of April 2018. This is a fantastic achievement for the College both professionally and financially. The number of credentialled members continues to grow, testament to the value and credibility of the process. The College has members now credentialled at all 3 levels – Primary, Advanced and Expert. The College appointed the first three Fellows in 2017.

I extend my sincere thanks to all members, Board Directors, Committee members, educators for your ongoing commitment and dedication to the success of the College. In particular I would like to take this opportunity to thank the College Operations Team. Sara Grealy provides an excellent service to members,

Committees and the Board. A heartfelt thanks also to Donna Mowbray who worked for the College for the past year and a half, brought professionalism and policy development to the College, overseeing a new era in business principles.

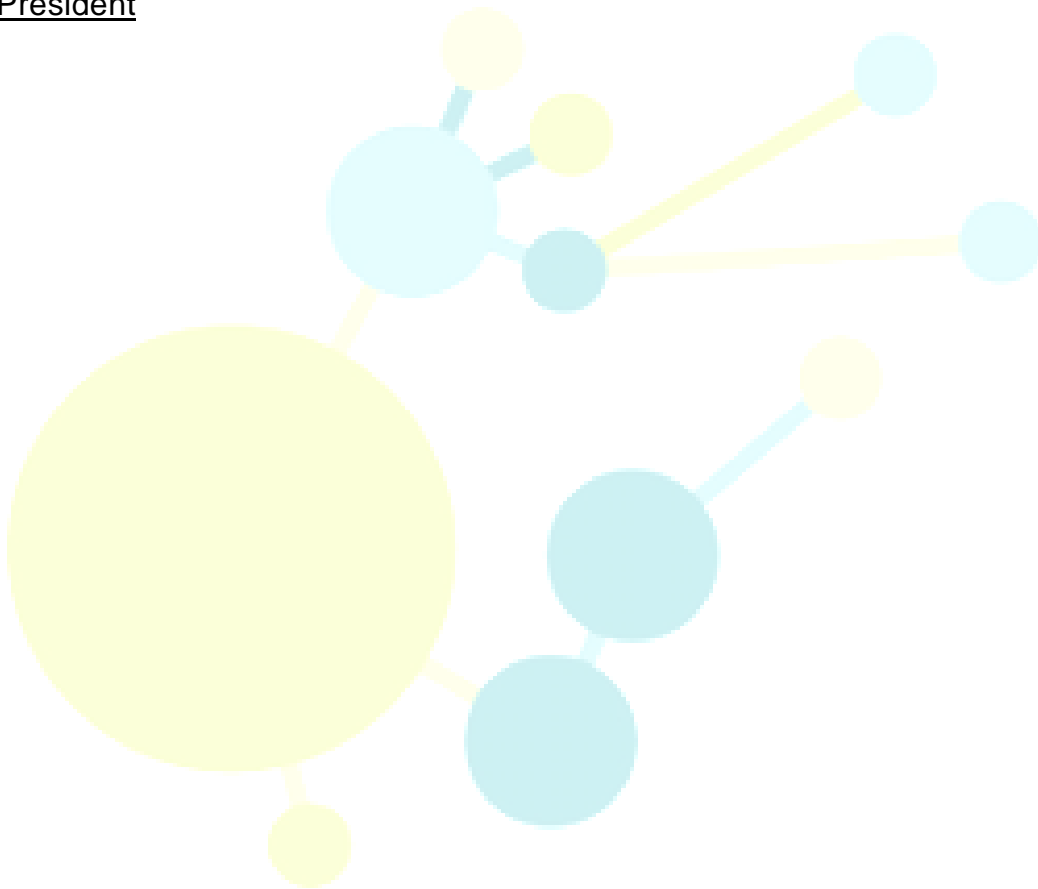
On behalf of the Board of Directors I thank all members for your contribution to the College and I wish you every success in 2019.

Yours in infection prevention and control

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Professor Marilyn Cruickshank

President



COMMITTEE REPORTS

Governance, Finance & Risk Committee

CHAIR: Dr Philip Russo, President Elect

MEMBERS:

Professor Marilyn Cruickshank

Mr Peter Martin

Ms Marita Corbett

Dr Kim Forrester

Five meetings in 2018.

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Review and approve routine financial reports.
- Review and approve budget for financial year 18/19.
- Advised and approved changes to Infexion Connexion to be a members only forum and supported communications about potential conflicts of interest.
- Advised on strategic direction of the College, with focus in increasing education revenue stream.
- Strengthen the role and functions of the Executive Manager in respect to business planning and implementation.

OPPORTUNITIES:

The GFR will continue to provide expert advice to the Board on ACIPC governance processes, identification and management of risks and scrutinise the routine financial reports and processes. This will be particularly important as the College engages with a new Executive Manager at the start of 2019.

Conference Scientific Organising Committee

CHAIR: Sally Havers

MEMBERS:

Professor Brett Mitchell

Dr Andrew Stewardson

Dr Phil Russo

Professor Allen Cheng
Dr Deborah Macbeth
Ms Anne Wells
Dr Andie Lee
Mr Andrew Watts

ACHIEVEMENTS:

The SCOC has delivered the 2018 International ACIPC Conference with exceptional organisational support from the conference organiser Conference Design and the ongoing contribution of all Committee Members.

The SCOC continues to deliver a strong scientific content in the 2018 ACIPC Conference that addresses the interests and educational requirements of the ACIPC membership, as well as providing valuable networking and linking opportunities for the more than 500 delegates in attendance.

Both registrations and sponsorship outcomes have exceeded targets ensuring the conference will provide revenue for ACIPC.

OPPORTUNITIES:

This year has seen a re-structuring of the Conference Organising Committees which has led to greater efficiency and more focus on scientific content (with great appreciation to the Conference Organisers for their support).

Further opportunities exist in identifying conference associated costs that may be able to be spread across multiple years. Also, further opportunities to collaborate with sponsors on events and/or conference materials will also be explored in 2019.

Credentiailling & Professional Standards Committee

CHAIR: Dr Deborah Macbeth

MEMBERS:

Professor Ramon Shaban
Sue Greig
Dr Peta-Anne Zimmerman
Ruth Barratt
Kathy Dempsey
Erica Short

ACHIEVEMENTS:

The Committee now has a dedicated secure area on the ACIPC website where all meeting papers, assessment sheets and submitted assessment reports are located making access much easier for all CAPS members and enabling more precise tracking of work progress.

The Committee has reviewed credentialling and recredentialling applications throughout the year and made recommendations to the ACIPC Board.

Credentialling and recredentialling assessment forms have been revised to ensure they are writable and congruent with the assessment guidelines.

The Committee has also continued to review courses as requested by credentialling applicants and determined whether they meet the academic requirements for the specific level of credential. Once identified as meeting these requirements, the courses are listed on the ACIPC website as approved courses.

The Committee meets each month via teleconference.

The Committee acknowledges with appreciation, the support and assistance of the ACIPC Secretariat and Operations Manager.

A pop-up session on credentialling was provided at the ACIPC conference last year.

Education and Professional Development Committee

CHAIR: Kristie Popkiss

CO-CHAIR: Michael Wishart

MEMBERS:

Nicole Vause

Vanessa Sparke

Sue Flockhart

Kylie Robb

Jan Forber

Matt Mason

Curt Warner

Brendon Heley

EX-OFFICIO

Sara Grealy

Donna Mowbray (until October 2018)

Fiona Gotterson (ACIPC Educator)

Sue Greig (ACIPC Educator)

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- 'Goals and vision' document for education and professional development opportunities.
- Contribution towards Members survey Education related questions
- Development of Education Plan with ACIPC Education Consultants
- Promoted ACIPC Foundations of Infection Prevention and Control Course through contact groups of each Education Committee member
- Reviewed criteria for course content and administrative policy
- Reviewed scholarship application criteria
- Established Members Only Education section of ACIPC website

OPPORTUNITIES:

- Further exploration of member expectations for education opportunities
- Enhance member opportunities for further professional development through ACIPC
- Expand policy framework for other ACIPC education activities
- Expand ACIPC education initiatives including short courses
- Create focussed education activities/initiatives for Dental and Aged Care for 2019

Member Engagement Committee

CHAIR: Sandra Roodt

MEMBERS:

Janine Carrucan

Dr Sharon Salmon (resigned March, 2018)

Nikki Grae

Lucy Hughson (resigned October 2018)

Fiona de Sousa

Helen Truscott

Leanne Frazer

A/Prof Thea van de Mortel (from April 2018) International engagement

ACHIEVEMENTS:

- Review of Terms of Reference
- Development of an action plan
- Enhancement of the ACIPC website to member-only section
- Provided clarification between full membership and international membership.

Several recommendations before the Board regarding:

- Streamlining the way that ACIPC members can sponsor Low and Middle Income members (LMI)
- Memberships costs for international members

Practice Guidance Committee

CHAIR: Dr Stéphane Bouchoucha

MEMBERS:

Dr Louise Hobbs

Dr Holly Seale

Wendy Peacock

Rita Roy

Cathy Fritz

ACHIEVEMENTS:

The Committee is a new committee, established In May 2018. The committee had its first meeting in July 2018. Since its establishment, the committee has met three times. We have been able to offer some feedback on draft guidance on VRE guidelines to the Australian Commission on Quality and Safety in Health Care (ACSQHC).

A member of the committee (Rita Roy) has participated, as a representative of ACIPC, in the development of a joint position statement between ASID and ACIPC on diagnosis, treatment, and prevention/control of *Candida auris*.

A position of support for the development of a clinical standard for PIVCs has been formulated to ACSQHC.

The committee has entered into some discussion with Wounds Australia to explore potential collaboration with regard to being consulted for infection prevention and control advice when clinical guidelines are being developed.

The committee would like to raise the profile of ACIPC as the peak body for infection prevention and control (IPC) and will reach out to any organisations/professional colleges to investigate potential collaboration and review of documents formulating IPC advice and guidance.

A review of topics raised by members through the distribution list Infexion Connexion has been instigated in order to identify common queries and develop ACIPC documents addressing these queries. These documents will be offered to members of ACIPC only.

A review of guidelines developed by the College such as Aseptic Technique Audit Tool is also under development to ensure the documents are up to date and that a review cycle is in place.

ACIPC Educators Report – March October 2018

Sue Grieg

Fiona Gotterson

ACIPC Educators

Foundations of Infection Prevention and Control

The College has offered the Foundations for Infection Prevention and Control Course (the Foundations Course) since 2016. The Course provides a program of learning for the novice in infection prevention and control, and is designed for professionals from a wide variety of settings. These settings may include metropolitan and rural healthcare facilities, remote and community locations, office-based practices, residential care facilities, mental health, drug and alcohol, health policy, veterinary practice, dental settings, non-government organisations and skin penetration practitioners. The Foundations Course is a required component to become a Primary Credentialed Infection Control Professional (CICP-P).

The Foundations Course consists of an orientation period of 2 weeks, followed by 11 Modules delivered over 22 weeks, with a new module opened every 2 weeks. Module content includes online video lectures, resources, structured reading lists, discussion boards and questions and answers forums and quizzes. Students are supported by email, regular announcements, and commencing in 2018, webinar.

There have been two student intakes in 2018.

- First intake – commenced April and concluded in October (72 students enrolled).
- Second intake – commenced October 2018 (52 students enrolled).

April 2018

Highlights/Key Activities

- Completed review of module/course presentations and videos
- Reviewed terminology throughout for consistency
- Amended key learning activities, case studies and other learning materials where required
- Revised some of the resources, to clarify requirements for completion of the Course, along with marking, assessment, and evaluation tools and methods
- Managed student discussion forums
- Introduced a student webinar to support students in successful completion of final assessment
- Responded within expected timeframes to queries
- Completed marking of all assessment tasks and returned results to students.

Looking Ahead

Plans to review and update the content of the Foundations Course to respond to changes in key resources that influence practice including the National Safety and Quality Health Service (NSQHS) Standards, 2nd edition, the updated (2018) Antimicrobial Stewardship publication from the Australian Commission on Safety and Quality in Health Care (ACSQHC) and the National Health and Medical Research Council (NHMRC) Australian Guidelines for the Prevention and Control of Infection in Health Care, currently under revision. In addition to expand the scope of the Course to add modules relevant to infection prevention in Aged Care Homes in 2019.

Webinars:

Member only webinars commenced on 31 August 2018, with positive engagement and feedback from 30 participants attending the first session. Polling to enable attendees to rate the webinar commenced in September, the September and October webinars receiving 97% and 100% positive ratings, respectively. Details of webinar topics and member attendance and engagement are provided in the table below.

Date	Topic	Presenter	Attendance
31 AUGUST 2018	ALL ABOUT GOARN	PETA ANNE ZIMMERMAN MATT MASON	30
27 SEPTEMBER 2018	(1) PRESENTING DATA (2) UPDATE ON LIST SERVE	NOLEEN BENNETT MICHAEL WISHART	33
8 NOVEMBER 2018 (DEFERRED FROM OCTOBER)	THE STORY OF ASPLENIA	BELINDA HENDERSON	22

To accompany the webinars, the consultants developed a continuing professional development (CPD) recording tool, to enable members to maintain a record of their CPD attendance, and made available on the ACIPC website.

External Partnerships

Australian Dental Association (NSW Branch)

Since March 2018, work has been completed on development of a training resource (video) for dental assistants to outline appropriate use of PPE in dental procedures and when reprocessing reusable medical devices that had been identified in an MOU with the College and the NSW branch of the Australian Dental Association (ADA). This involved development of a script and participation in recording of video content. This video is part of a suite of resources developed by the ADA (NSW).

Highlights

Working collaboratively with the ADA (NSW) to develop resources that are consistent with National Infection Control Guidelines and will support professional development of dental assistants.

Looking Ahead

- Identify additional opportunities to work with ADA (NSW) to provide professional development for dentists and dental assistants, especially in areas of infection prevention and control application and practice e.g. aseptic technique.
- Following preliminary discussions with the Australian (national) ADA, explore opportunities to work with their Infection Prevention and Control Committee to promote the Foundations Course and other areas in infection prevention and control where we may be able to support their activities. In addition, the National group are interested to learn more about the College Credentialing system.

Infection Disease and Health – Editor-in-Chief Report

CHAIR: Professor Brett Mitchell

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- Professor Peter Collignon, Professor, Australian National University Medical School & Executive Director of ACT Pathology, ACT Genetic Service, The Canberra Hospital, Australia
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- Evonne Curran, Infection Control Consultant, School of Nursing, Glasgow Caledonian University, UK
- A/Professor John Ferguson, Director Infection Prevention and Control, Div. of Medicine, John Hunter Hospital & University of Newcastle, Australia
- Dr Jenny Firman, Principal Medical Adviser to Office of Australian Chief Medical Officer, Dept of Health, Australian Government, Australia
- Professor Dale Fisher, Vice chair, Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network (GOARN), World Health Organisation, Infection Prevention and Control Unit, National University Hospital, Singapore
- A/Professor Joshua Freeman, Infectious Disease Physician, Infection Prevention and Control Unit, Auckland City Hospital, New Zealand
- Professor Anne Gardner, Professor of Nursing, School of Nursing, Midwifery & Paramedicine, Australian Catholic University, Australia
- Professor Nicholas Graves, Professor of Health Economics & Academic Director for The Australian Centre for Health Services Innovation (AusHSI), Inst. of Health and Biomedical Innovation (IHBI); (Fac. of Science), Queensland University of Technology, Australia
- Professor Bill Jarvis, Pediatric Infectious Diseases Physician, Investigation and Prevention Branch, Jason and Jarvis Associates, USA
- Dr Moi Lin Ling, Director of Infection Control & President of the Asia Pacific Society of Infection Control (APSIC), Department of Infectious Diseases, Singapore General Hospital, Singapore
- Dr Deborah MacBeth, Assistant Director of Nursing, Gold Coast University Hospital, Queensland Health, Australia
- Professor David Paterson, Professor of Medicine and Consultant Infectious Diseases Physician, Infectious Diseases Unit, Royal Brisbane Hospital, Australia
- Professor Thomas Riley, Professor of Microbiology, Australian Centre for Pathology & Medical Research, University of Western Australia, Australia
- Dr Philip Russo, Senior Research Fellow, School of Nursing, Deakin University, Australia

- Professor Patricia W. Stone, Centennial Professor of Health Policy, Center for Health Policy, Columbia University School of Nursing, USA
- Dr Rhonda Stuart, Infectious Diseases Physician & Director Infection Prevention and Control, Dept of Infectious Diseases, Australia
- Professor Paul Turner, Director, Cambodia-Oxford Medical Research Unit, Cambodia Oxford Medical Research Unit (COMRU), Angkor Hospital for Children, University of Oxford, Cambodia
- Professor David Weber, Professor of Epidemiology, School of Medicine, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill, USA

ACHIEVEMENTS:

Infection Disease and Health is now in its third year. There have been a number of achievements this year including:

- Increased copy flow (submissions to the journal)
- Increased rejection rate for articles, year on year, resulting in high quality publications. Rejection rate approximately 70%.
- A 420% increase in usage via Science Direct (year to date)
- 20,000 articles downloaded from the IDH website year to date (up from 12,000 in 2017)
- Actioning a detailed plan for MEDLINE indexation
- Successful application for MEDLINE indexation
- Increase in open access articles
- The launch of three virtual special issues: Antimicrobial Resistance, CRE in Reducing healthcare associated infections– selected outcomes, Urinary Tract Infection. This resulted in increased exposure to these articles (made freely available) and the journal through a range of marketing measures
- Implementation of a marketing plan
- Expansion of the Editorial Board
- Acceptance in the Freedom Collection of Elsevier, providing access to the journal to thousands of institutions from late 2018/early 2019.
- Online publication of abstracts for the ACIPC conference (2018)

OPPORTUNITIES:

For members, there are opportunities to get involved with the journal and take advantage of our contract with Elsevier. These include:

- The ability to publish articles at no cost or via an open access route
- A reduction in the open access article processing fees where an author is an ACIPC member – if the authors choose to publish open access
- Discounts on Elsevier products

- The ability for clinicians, academics and others to search for articles via ScienceDirect
- A branded website, with improved functionality and incorporation of social media

As College members, you can support the journal in a variety of ways including submitting or encouraging submissions of research to the journal, using articles published in IDH as evidence in policy development and education you provide, undertaking peer reviews if requested, following the journal on Twitter (@IDHjournal) and retweeting important updates.

All of these play an important role in enhancing the journal and in turn the ACIPC's reputation and influence. I strongly encourage you to support your journal in this way.

I would like to thank ACIPC members, the IDH Editorial Board and Senior and Section Editors at the journal and those who have supported the journal as authors and peer reviewers.

Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network Report

ACIPC continues to its longstanding active contribution to global efforts to prevent and contain the spread of infectious diseases and infection. The College is a member of Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network (GOARN). The primary aim of the GOARN is to help affected populations contain infectious disease outbreaks at source and minimise the death and disability, reduce the economic and social impact of the outbreak on the lives of populations and prevent international emergencies, of which ACIPC is a long term and committed partner.

In 2018, ACIPC responded to 11 GOARN requests for outbreak assistance (Cholera x 1, Diphtheria x 3, Ebola Virus Disease x 3, Listeriosis x 1, Lassa Fever x 1, Poliomyelitis x 2) in various global locations. ACIPC considered the requests and advanced candidates for eight of these requests. ACIPC contributed nominations of candidates to the one global training exercise where candidates are accredited for deployment. A follow up mission post 2017 deployment of an ACIPC member relating to an outbreak of multi-resistant *Acinetobacter baumannii* in Fiji was conducted in 2018.

In December 2017, ACIPC attended the Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network (GOARN) at the Global Meeting of Partners organized by the World Health Organization (WHO) in Geneva, Switzerland. More than 200 participants from 100 world's leading public health institutions, including ACIPC, convened over 3 days to recommit their partnership to the Global Outbreak Alert and Response Network (GOARN). The main aim of the Global Meeting of Partners, only the second such meeting in the history of the Network, was to present, discuss and advance the new GOARN strategic plan for the network. The intent of the new plan, referred to as 'GOARN 2.0', is to expand the network's focus from deployment to include five new areas of work. Four of these are activities-based,

and include alert and risk assessment, training, operational research and tools, public health rapid response capacities. The fifth work area is governance, which is designed to ensure that GOARN's governance tools and structures enable the network to function as effectively as possible to deliver the new strategic plan. Core to these areas and GOARN 2.0 is the clear intent to facilitate deeper partner engagement in network activities to ultimately improving the speed, reliability and effectiveness of international technical support for outbreak response.

The forum and delegate members worked through the proposed GOARN 2.0 to identify enablers of, and barriers to, its implementation for deeper and tailored partner participation including gaps in the program of activities. Some of the solutions promulgated included tailoring training packages to regional contexts, establishing links to new partners and initiatives, supporting practical experience through work placements and mentoring; developing enhanced mechanisms for rapid response within the region, and finding innovative approaches to deployment in difficult operational contexts.

Moreover, ACIPC and our colleague GOARN partners identified five key opportunities for enhanced partner participation. First, GOARN should advance *training and capacity building* by sharing materials, tailoring content, supporting professional exchange, and working through regional training networks. Second, *community engagement* is key to future success with the leveraging resources of humanitarian organizations and regional networks that work in and alongside communities to strengthen alert and surveillance. Third, GOARN must *look beyond deployment* by tapping into the expertise of partners in alert and rapid assessment, training, research and rapid response to develop and implement GOARN 2.0. Fourth, the strength of the network is based on *making connections* with identifying and engaging new partners, networking, and attending relevant stakeholder meetings. Finally, our efforts must *strengthen network preparedness* by building relationships with NGOs in countries prone to regular outbreaks to identify weaknesses in infection control and clinical management.

ACIPC, and all GOARN Partners, reaffirmed our commitment to GOARN 2.0 and to the vital work undertaken by GOARN and the World Health Organization in our shared efforts to contain infectious disease outbreaks and minimise death and disability, for reducing the economic and social impact of outbreaks on the lives of populations and to prevent future international emergencies.

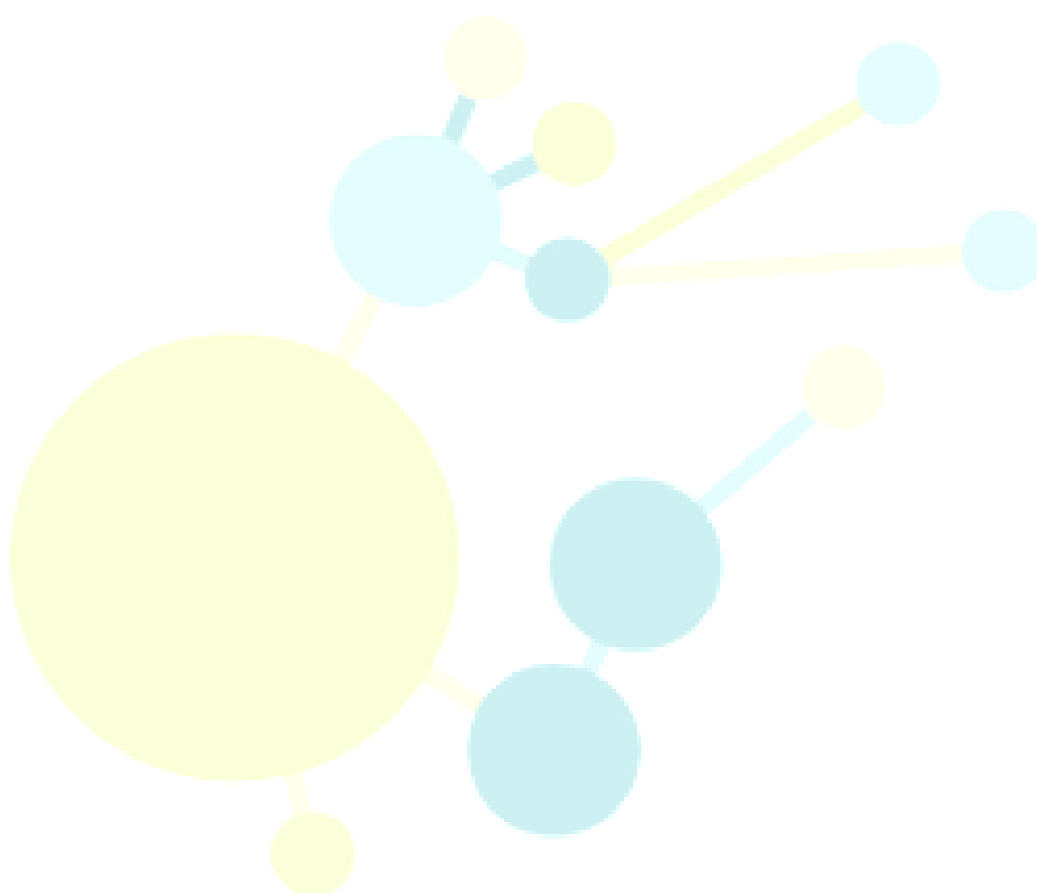
Professor Ramon Shaban

Executive sponsor GOARN

AUDITED FINANCIAL REPORTS

1 JULY 2017 - 30 JUNE 2018

Prepared by Accru Rawsons



**AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION
PREVENTION AND CONTROL LTD**

ABN 61 154 341 036

FINANCIAL REPORT

FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

**AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL
LTD
ABN 61 154 341 036**

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

Your directors present their report on the company for the financial year ended 30 June 2018.

The names of the directors in office at anytime during or since the end of the year are:

Ramon Shaban	Donna Cameron (completion of term)
Marilyn Cruickshank	Deborough Macbeth
Belinda Henderson (completion of term)	Philip Russo
Wendy Beckingham (completion of term)	Sharon Salmon (resigned)
Sandra Roodt	Kristie Popkiss
Stephane Bouchoucha	Cathryn Murphy (resigned)
Thea Van De Mortel	Fiona Wilson (completion of term)
Peter Martin	Sally Havers
Michael Wishart	

Directors have been in office since the start of the financial year to the date of this report unless otherwise stated.

The net loss of the company for the financial year amounted to \$56,190.80.

A review of the operations of the company during the financial year and the results of those operations are as follows:

The company was established in January 2012 from the merger of the Australian Infection Control Association with the existing state based infection control associations across Australia. The company is engaged in a broad range of national and international programs representing the discipline of infection prevention and control including consultancy, policy development, education and professional development.

No significant change in the nature of these activities occurred during the financial year.

No matters or circumstances have arisen since the end of the financial year which significantly affected or may significantly affect the operations of the company, the results of those operations, or the state of affairs of the company in future financial years.

The company's operations are not regulated by any significant environmental regulation under a law of the Commonwealth or of the State.

The company is prohibited from paying dividends to members.

No options over issued shares or interests in the company were granted during or since the end of the financial year and there were no options outstanding at the date of this report.

No indemnities have been given or insurance premiums paid, during or since the end of the financial year, for any person who is or has been an officer or auditor of the company.

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DIRECTORS' REPORT

Auditor's Independence Declaration


A copy of the auditor's independence declaration as required under Section 307C of the Corporations Act 2001 is attached to this financial report.

Signed in accordance with a resolution of the board of directors:

Director

Professor Marilyn Cruickshank

Signature



Director

Dr Philip Russo

Signature



Dated:

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**AUDITOR'S INDEPENDENCE DECLARATION UNDER
SECTION 307C OF THE CORPORATIONS ACT 2001**

**TO THE DIRECTORS OF
AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL
LTD**

I declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, during the year ended 30 June 2018:

- (i) No contraventions of the auditor independence requirements as set out in the Corporations Act
- (ii) No contraventions of any applicable code of professional conduct in relation to the audit.



**Partner: Melissa McCrystal
Accru Rawsons
Chartered Accountant
Level 2
160 Wharf Street
Brisbane QLD 4001**

Date: 11 October 2018

AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL LTD
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INCOME STATEMENT
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Revenue from ordinary activities	2	510,829	513,303
Expenses from ordinary activities		(567,019)	(667,926)
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Profit (loss) for the year		(56,191)	(154,623)
<u>Add</u> Funds transferred from state based infection control associations		-	-
		<hr/>	<hr/>
INCREASE (DECREASE) IN COMPANY FUNDS FOR THE YEAR		<u>(56,191)</u>	<u>(154,623)</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL LTD**ABN 61 154 341 036****BALANCE SHEET****AS AT 30 JUNE 2018**

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
ASSETS			
CURRENT ASSETS			
Cash and cash equivalents	3	707,687	693,823
Trade and other receivables	4	29,560	30,201
TOTAL CURRENT ASSETS		<u>737,247</u>	<u>724,024</u>
NON-CURRENT ASSETS			
Banner and Display	5	2,550	2,900
TOTAL NON-CURRENT ASSETS		<u>2,550</u>	<u>2,900</u>
TOTAL ASSETS		<u>739,798</u>	<u>726,924</u>
LIABILITIES			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Trade and other payables	6	99,430	30,364
TOTAL CURRENT LIABILITIES		<u>99,430</u>	<u>30,364</u>
TOTAL LIABILITIES		<u>99,430</u>	<u>30,364</u>
NET ASSETS		<u>640,368</u>	<u>696,560</u>
EQUITY			
Retained Earnings		640,368	696,560
TOTAL EQUITY		<u>640,368</u>	<u>696,560</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL LTD

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STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN EQUITY

AS AT 30 JUNE 2018

	Retained Earnings \$
Balance at 1 July 2011	NIL
Australian Infection Control Association (AICA) equity transferred at restructure	340,066
Increase in company funds for the 11/12 year	833,745
Balance at 30 June 2012	<u>1,173,811</u>
Increase in company funds for the 12/13 year	130,085
Balance at 30 June 2013	<u>1,303,896</u>
Decrease in company funds for the 13/14 year	(176,369)
Balance at 30 June 2014	<u>1,127,527</u>
Decrease in company funds for the 14/15 year	(187,921)
Balance at 30 June 2015	<u>939,606</u>
Decrease in company funds for the 15/16 year	(88,423)
Balance at 30 June 2016	<u>851,183</u>
Decrease in company funds for the 16/17 year	(154,623)
Balance at 30 June 2017	<u>696,560</u>
Decrease in company funds for the 17/18 year	(56,191)
Balance at 30 June 2018	<u>640,369</u>

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL LTD**ABN 61 154 341 036****STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018**

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
Cash flows from operating activities			
Receipts from Operations		549,030	406,986
Interest Received		9,192	16,315
Payments to Suppliers		(544,358)	(604,684)
Net cash provided by operating activities	8(b)	13,864	(181,383)
Cash flows from investing activities			
Payment for Property, Plant & Equipment		-	-
Proceeds from Property, Plant & Equipment		-	-
Net cash provided by (used in) investing activities		-	-
Cash flows from financing activities			
Transfer of funds from AICA at restructure		-	-
Net cash provided by (used in) financing activities		-	-
Net increase (decrease) in cash held		13,864	(181,383)
Cash and cash equivalents at beginning of financial year		693,823	875,206
Cash and cash equivalents at end of financial year	8(a)	707,687	693,823

The accompanying notes form part of these financial statements.

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NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018

This financial report covers Australasian College for Infection Prevention and Control Ltd as an individual entity.

1. STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES

Basis of Preparation

The financial report is a general purpose financial report that has been prepared in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations) of the Australian Accounting Standards Board and the Corporations Act 2001.

Australian Accounting Standards set out accounting policies that the AASB has concluded would result in a financial report containing relevant and reliable information about transactions, events and conditions. Compliance with Australian Accounting Standards ensures that the financial statements and notes also comply with International Financial Reporting Standards. Material accounting policies adopted in the preparation of this financial report are presented below and have been consistently applied unless otherwise stated.

The financial report has been prepared on an accruals basis and is based on historical costs, modified, where applicable, by the measurement at fair value of selected non-current assets, financial assets and financial liabilities.

(a) Income Tax

The entity is exempt from income tax under Section 50 of Income Tax Assessment Act 1997. Accordingly no income tax is provided for in the accounts.

(b) Goods and Services Tax (GST)

Revenues, expenses and assets are recognised net of the amount of GST, except where the amount of GST incurred is not recoverable from the Tax Office. In these circumstances the GST is recognised as part of the cost of acquisition of the asset or as part of an item of the expense. Receivables and payables in the balance sheet are shown inclusive of GST.

Cash flows are presented in the cash flow statement on a gross basis, except for the GST component of investing and financing activities, which are disclosed as operating cash flows.

At each reporting date, the company assesses whether there is objective evidence that a financial instrument has been impaired. In the case of available-for-sale financial instruments, a prolonged decline in the value of the instrument is considered to determine whether an impairment has arisen. Impairment losses are recognised in the income statement.

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**NOTES TO THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS
FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2018**

	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
2. REVENUE AND OTHER INCOME			
Interest received		9,192	16,315
Other Income		501,637	496,988
Total Revenue		<u>510,829</u>	<u>513,303</u>
3. CASH AND CASH EQUIVALENTS			
Cash at bank		<u>707,687</u>	<u>693,823</u>
		<u>707,687</u>	<u>693,823</u>
4. TRADE AND OTHER RECEIVABLES			
CURRENT			
Trade Debtors		350	12,901
Goods and Services Tax		29,210	17,300
		<u>29,560</u>	<u>30,201</u>
5. Plant & Equipment			
Banner and Display		3,500	3,500
Less: Accumulated Depreciation		<u>(950)</u>	<u>(600)</u>
		<u>2,550</u>	<u>2,900</u>

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	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
6. TRADE AND OTHER PAYABLES			
CURRENT			
Trade Creditors		28,048	22,500
Membership fees in advance		49,983	3,230
Accruals		21,399	4,634
		<u>99,430</u>	<u>30,364</u>
7. COMPANY DETAILS			
The registered office of the company is:			
Conference Design			
228 Liverpool Street			
Hobart TAS 7000			
The principal place of business is:			
Conference Design			
228 Liverpool Street			
Hobart TAS 7000			
8. CASH FLOW INFORMATION			
(a) Reconciliation of Cash			
Cash at the end of financial year as shown in the Statement of Cash Flows is reconciled to the related items in the statement of financial position as follows:			
Cash at Bank		<u>707,687</u>	<u>693,823</u>
		<u>707,687</u>	<u>693,823</u>
	Note	2018 \$	2017 \$
(b) Reconciliation of cash flow from operations with profit			
Increase (Decrease) in company funds for the year		(56,191)	(154,623)
Non-cash flows in profit:			
Depreciation		350	350
Charges to provisions		-	-
Changes in Assets & Liabilities:			
Decrease (Increase) in Current Receivables		640	7,917
Decrease (Increase) in Non-Current Assets		-	-
Increase (Decrease) in Current Liabilities		<u>69,065</u>	<u>(35,027)</u>
Net cash provided by operating activities		<u>13,864</u>	<u>(181,382)</u>

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9. DIRECTORS REMUNERATION

The following directors received meeting attendance fees and other council professional fees during the year as disclosed:

	\$
R Shaban	10,000
P Russo	2,000
T Mortel	-
B Henderson	2,000
M Cruickshank	12,000
W Beckingham	4,000
P Martin	4,000
M Wishart	2,000
S Roodt	2,000
K Popkiss	2,000
S Havers	2,000
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10. CONTINGENT ASSETS & LIABILITES

The directors are not aware of any contingent assets or contingent liabilities of the company.

11. EVENTS AFTER THE BALANCE SHEET DATE

There have been no material events occurring after balance date that would affect the financial position and performance of the company

**AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL
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DIRECTORS' DECLARATION

The directors of the company declare that:

1. The financial statements and notes are in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001; and:
 - (a) comply with Australian Accounting Standards; and
 - (b) give a true and fair view of the financial positions as at 30 June 2018 and of the performance, as represented by the results of its operations for the year ended on that date; and
- 2 In the directors' opinion there are reasonable grounds to believe that the entity will be able to pay its debts as and when they become due and payable.

This declaration is made in accordance with a resolution of the Board of Directors.

Director Professor Marilyn Cruickshank

Signature 

Director Dr Philip Russo

Signature 

Date:

**AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL
LTD
ABN 61 154 341 036**

**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF
AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL
LTD**

We have audited the accompanying financial report of Australasian College for Infection Prevention and Control Ltd which comprises the balance sheet as at 30 June 2018 and the income statement, statement of changes in equity and cash flow statement for the year ended on that date, a summary of significant accounting policies and other explanatory notes and the director's declaration.

Directors' Responsibility for the Financial Report

The directors of the company are responsible for the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in accordance with Australian Accounting Standards (including the Australian Accounting Interpretations) and the Corporations Act 2001. This responsibility includes designing, implementing and maintaining internal controls relevant to the preparation and fair presentation of the financial report that is free from material misstatement, whether due to fraud or error; selecting and applying appropriate accounting policies; and making accounting estimates that are reasonable in the circumstances. In Note 1, the directors also state, in accordance with Accounting Standard AASB 101: 'Presentation of Financial Statements', that compliance with the Australian equivalents to International Financial Reporting Standards (IFRS) ensures that the financial report, comprising the financial statements and notes, complies with IFRS.

Auditor's Responsibility

Our responsibility is to express an opinion on the financial report based on our audit. We conducted our audit in accordance with Australian Auditing Standards. These Auditing Standards require that we comply with relevant ethical requirements relating to audit engagements and plan and perform the audit to obtain reasonable assurance whether the financial report is free from material misstatement.

An audit involves performing procedures to obtain audit evidence about the amounts and disclosures in the financial report. The procedures selected depend on the auditor's judgment, including the assessment of the risks of material misstatement of the financial report, whether due to fraud or error. In making those risk assessments, the auditor considers internal control relevant to the entity's preparation and fair presentation of the financial report in order to design audit procedures that are appropriate in the circumstances, but not for the purpose of expressing an opinion on the effectiveness of the entity's internal control. An audit also includes evaluating the appropriateness of accounting policies used and the reasonableness of accounting estimates made by the directors, as well as evaluating the overall presentation of the financial report.

We believe that the audit evidence we have obtained is sufficient and appropriate to provide a basis for our audit opinion.

Independence

In conducting our audit, we complied with the independence requirements of the Corporations Act 2001.

**AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL
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**INDEPENDENT AUDIT REPORT
TO THE MEMBERS OF
AUSTRALASIAN COLLEGE FOR INFECTION PREVENTION AND CONTROL
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Auditor's Opinion

In our opinion:

The financial report presents fairly, in all material aspects, the financial position of Australasian College for Infection Prevention and Control Ltd as of 30 June 2018, and of its financial performance and its cash flows for the year ended in accordance with the Corporations Act 2001 and the Australian Accounting Standards (including Australian Accounting Interpretations).

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading 'M McCrystal', is written over a horizontal line.

**Partner: Melissa McCrystal
Accru Rawsons
Chartered Accountant
160 Wharf Street
Brisbane, QLD, 4001**

Dated: 11 October 2018