BANCC STUDY DAY 2015
Friday 18th September 2015
King's House Conference Centre
Manchester
Welcome from President

Dear Delegates,

I am very pleased to be welcoming everyone to the 3rd British Association for Nursing in Cardiovascular Care (BANCC) Study day. This is an exciting time for BANCC as it continues to grow, adapt and be responsive to the needs of cardiovascular nurses. The world of cardiovascular nursing is an exciting area in which to work, and we will continue to meet and bring inspired people together in forums like this.

The programme this year is excellent, covering a broad spectrum of cardiovascular care, which is very current and topical, including recent guideline developments, Nurse-led ILR Implantation, Non-medical prescribing and case study reviews.

BANCC understands that during these financially challenging times it can be very difficult to find time and resources to attend events. In order to facilitate cardiovascular nurses’ development we are proud to be able to offer this excellent study day free of charge to our members thanks to the help from our sponsors AstraZeneca, Shire and Pfizer investing your valuable membership fees.

I would like to acknowledge that a significant factor in ensuring the success of this event is you bringing your expertise to our gathering. You, as cardiovascular nurses, have the knowledge, the motivation and the experience to help us pave our way into the future and improve patient care. Please take this opportunity to network with your fellow cardiovascular colleagues. Throughout the study day, I ask you to engage, interact and enjoy this event.

We welcome any comments which help shape the future of BANCC and hope you return next year, maybe to present your work.

Jacqueline Hunt, BANCC President

Dear Delegates,

A warm welcome to the annual BANCC study day! We have put together an exciting programme with leading experts in their respective fields. We hope you find the sessions relevant, inspiring and readily applicable to your day to day work.

This is a milestone event for all of us as for the first time, all registrants are BANCC members which means that you will not only gain more knowledge and skills from this study day but will also benefit from the longer-term benefits of membership. We encourage you to network to share good practice as well as ask longstanding BANCC members and council about how to maximise your membership and get more involved. Don’t forget to pick up additional education information from Shire, AstraZeneca and Pfizer who are supporting the event and visit other exhibitors.

Amidst all the learning, we do hope that you also enjoy the day! Make sure you fill out the evaluation forms so we can further improve this event for you and let us know your thoughts about topics to be discussed next year.

See you next year!

Tootie Bueser, BANCC Honorary Secretary
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Gill Coverdale MPhil, MPH, BSc (Hons) CHCN, RNT, RSCPHN, RGN, Professional Lead for
Education -Royal College of Nursing

Gill is passionate about nursing and the delivery of good, high quality patient care. She has a
background in community nursing and started her academic career in 2000. She has a wealth
of experience in delivering both pre and post registration nurse education, research and
regulation and has worked with both national and international governments.

Her role at the RCN is to work with stakeholders to direct the
development of professional education standards for nursing that reflect
the changing requirements of healthcare provision and lead and manage
the RCN's framework for professional education, training and career
development. This requires taking account of the four country political,
policy and regulatory context.

At the present time Gill is leading on the development of resources for
supporting the nursing profession with Revalidation.

Jayne Mudd, Cardiac Rhythm Management Nurse Consultant

Jayne is currently employed as a Nurse Consultant in Cardiac Rhythm Management
at James Cook University Hospital, Middlesbrough where she has worked
within the cardiology setting since 1998.

Since being appointed as a specialist nurse in arrhythmia management in 1999 Jayne
has developed and acted as the lead to a team of nurses specialising in arrhythmia
and syncope management. Jayne has developed and acts as the lead to nurse led arrhythmia and syncope
clinics across the community and tertiary settings. The team have led on
many innovative projects which have been recognised by several national
awards including the development of nurse led outreach arrhythmia
services. Jayne has a special interest in nurse education and has
developed and delivers masters level educational programmes for health
care professionals in cardiac care and arrhythmia/syncope management.

In 2013 she was awarded with an MBE for her services to arrhythmia
management.

Martin Melville RGN, B Sc Hons, PGC heart
failure, NFESC - BHF Heart Failure Specialist
Nurse, Derbyshire Community Health Services
NHS Foundation Trust

My varied career in cardiology since 1989 has included work in cardiac rehabilitation and
for the past 9 year's heart failure. I have also
worked on other related projects. My research
with publications in various international journals
including Heart, BMJ and the European Heart
Journal, lead to the award of Nurse Fellow of the European Society of
Cardiology. Having completed masters’ modules in cardiac rehabilitation,
I have since worked with the BACPR as a course director for their highly
successful Phase IV exercise instructor training programme. With the
British Heart Foundation I helped develop the “Active Heart Healthy Heart”
exercise DVD and “One step at a time – living with heart failure” DVD. I
currently work as a heart failure specialist nurse and independent prescriber
in North Derbyshire as part of a team of 6 nurses. I have helped develop
our service from the beginning which includes palliative care, telehealth
services closer integration of our IT system with most GP practices and, in
just the past 2 years, an “In-Reach” service into the acute trust to further
enhance in-patient and early discharge care to heart failure patients.

Andrew Richardson, Lecturer in Adult Nursing
– University of Southampton

Andrew (‘Andy’) Richardson is a Lecturer in
Adult Nursing at the Faculty of Health Sciences,
University of Southampton. Andrew trained and
qualified as a nurse in the Royal Navy (RN) in
1985. Subsequently, he enjoyed a successful 20
year nursing career in the RN, working in many
different primary and secondary care settings: at
sea, in shore establishments (medical centres) and
military hospitals. Following several years working in cardiac services and
CCU, he completed the ENB 124 (Coronary Care Nursing) in 1996, before
moving into Higher Education at the University of Portsmouth in 2000.
Following the completion of an NMC approved teaching qualification,
Cert Ed (FE), Andrew graduated with a BA (Hons) in Health Promotion in
2001. After leaving the Royal Navy in 2004, he took up his current post at
Southampton. In 2009 he completed an MSc in Education, followed by a
Diploma in Philosophy at Birbeck College, University of London.

Andrew’s currently role includes module/cohort leader for a number of
Learning Beyond Registration (LBR) modules, including Developments
in Cardiology, Prevention of CHD and Heart Failure, and History Taking
and Physical Assessment (HTPA). He is also involved in pre-registration
education, taking a lead role in Basic and Advanced Life support training,
retaining an up to date ALS provider certificate. Andrew's current interests
include emerging risk factors in CV disease and the contemporary
science of behavioural cardiology.
Dr Catriona Jennings, Cardiovascular Specialist Nurse – Imperial College London

Catriona Jennings has served as the European Research Nurse coordinator in the Department of Cardiovascular Medicine at the International Centre for Circulatory Health, Imperial College London since 2002. She has coordinated both randomised controlled trials (RCT) and surveys. The EUROACTION cluster RCT was conducted in eight countries and 24 centres in Europe between 2002 and 2006. Catriona led the multidisciplinary London team who were responsible for training project staff and developing the health professional and educational materials. She coordinated the third EUROASPIRE survey in 22 countries in Europe, and the British Cardiovascular Society UK based survey of preventive management in coronary patients and high risk individuals called Aspire-2-Prevent. At the end of 2011 she completed coordination of a second EUROACTION study called EUROACTION plus intensive smoking cessation with varenicline which was implemented in 4 countries including the UK. She is presently coordinating the 4th EUROASPIRE survey in 25 countries in Europe. She read French for her first degree and subsequently trained as a nurse at Charing Cross Hospital in London. She then specialised in cardiac nursing and finally cardiac rehabilitation, leading a programme at Stoke Mandeville Hospital in Buckinghamshire. Catriona is a senior teaching fellow for the Imperial College MSc in Preventive Cardiology programme where she leads modules on Preventive Cardiology Theory and Practice and smoking cessation. She has completed a PhD on concordance for cardiovascular risk factors and concordance for change in families. Catriona has taken leadership roles in professional societies serving as President of the British Association for Nursing in Cardiovascular Care which is an affiliated group of the British Cardiovascular Society and she is currently the Chair of the European Society’s Council on Cardiovascular Nursing and Allied Professions.

Dave Richley, Cardiac Physiology Lecturer Practitioner – NHS England

Dave Richley has been a cardiac physiologist in the NHS for 37 years. He has worked for a number of hospitals in north-east England but is currently employed by NHS England and subcontracted to teach ECG interpretation at Newcastle and Sunderland universities. He believes that in the era of multi-slice CT, MRI and 3D echocardiography, ECG interpretation is a dying art but he regards himself as on a mission to restore the humble ECG to its rightful position at the forefront of diagnostic cardiology.

Brian Parr RN. MSc, BA (Hons), Dip.Nursing - Advanced Practitioner – Cardiology Specialty Nurse Lead, Salford Royal Hospital

Trained Sheffield 1987-1990

Worked in Cardiology for past 25 years at Salford Royal NHS Foundation Trust

Advanced Practitioner since 2007

Part Time Lecturer University of Salford teaching on the MSc Advanced Practice Programme

ALS Instructor

Alison Cousins, Specialist Nurse in Lysosomal Storage Disease Unit - University College Hospital

Alison has been looking after people with Fabry disease for the past 15 years. Her original role within the Charles Dent Metabolic unit was as a research nurse co-ordinating the study into one of the enzyme replacement therapies called Fabrazyme. They also ran a trial looking at a comparison of response for patients with the cardiac variant mutation of Fabry disease to either a 1mg/kg or a 2mg/kg dose of Fabrazyme. Alison later moved into the Clinical Nurse Specialist role.

At present there around 180 Fabry patients who are seen in the clinic. The Charles Dent Metabolic Unit is one of the largest and longest established units in Europe caring for people with inborn errors of metabolism. Within our patient group we have a large percentage of people with Lysosomal Storage diseases of which Fabry is one.
Amita Sherait, Senior Cardiac Nurse Practitioner – Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust

Amita’s journey into nursing started in 2004, on an Acute Medical Ward in East and North Hertfordshire NHS Trust. After serving there for 18 months, she relocated to Birmingham and worked, on yet another Acute Medical Ward which specialized in Diabetes. With a desire to excel and gain new skills, she took up the challenge and became a Band 6, after 18 months into the post in 2007. Amita worked as a Band 6 for 5 years. During her career on a Medical Ward, she accomplished an ENB 998 and BSc (Hons) Degree in Diabetes.

From every little step, there was a new challenge. The future was carved by commitment and dedication towards the peer, patients and the Trust. Day to day challenges enabled her to succeed. However, there was something missing. The missing element was fulfilled when she took a completely new path as a Band 6 on a Cardiology Ward in 2011. The transition phase from a Diabetes Sister to a Cardiology Sister was full of new challenges and a steep learning curve.

In 2013, Cardiology Pathway Team was established and the author was selected as the first member for the team. Since then there has been no looking back. Today, the author is working as a Band 7 - senior member of the Cardiology Pathway Team, which not only makes independent decision for cardiac patients with various cardiac conditions but also successfully runs Rapid Access Chest Pain Clinic. The author has successfully completed her Non-Medical Prescribing in 2014 and BSc Degree in Clinical Assessment and History taking and is currently pursuing a Master’s Degree.

Jo Dennis, Heart of England NHS Foundation

Jo is qualified RGN and currently work as an ACP & Lead Nurse for the Cardiac Pathway Team at Heart of England NHS Foundation Trust. Jo has 25 years of nursing experience in the NHS, having joined as a ‘mature student’, and continues as a ‘mature student’ to this day! During this time, Jo have undertaken a Diploma in Nursing Studies, a BSc in Nursing studies, as well as an MSc in Advanced Nursing Practice 2002, along with the Independent Prescribers course, the specialist Cardiac Nursing qualification, ALS & FEEL Echocardiography, and numerous Leadership courses which included a year long Aspiring Nurse Consultant Leadership course in 2005.

Jo is a firm believer in lifelong learning and love to inspire and encourage my team and colleagues to achieve their optimal level of learning and achievements in their roles. To this end Jo acts as a role model and coach for her team and junior colleagues, working alongside them & enabling them to make that link between theory and practice, challenging their knowledge and skills to embed new learning. Jo undertakes part-time lecturing in Advanced Nursing Practice at both BSc & MSc level.

The majority of her nursing career has been in Cardiology, with short spells in Acute Medicine and Practice Nursing. Jo’s cardiology career started as a senior staff nurse on an acute Cardiology Ward, progressing to a junior, then Senior Sister’s post in CCU and Cardiac Triage in the Emergency Department in the days of Thrombolysis. Jo’s current role sees her working at a Primary PCI centre and leading a team of autonomous Cardiac Nurse Practitioners who work across three Directorates - the Emergency Department, Acute Medicine & Cardiology - in their role on the Cardiac Pathway Team. A redesign of services saw this team being launched over two years ago, with new ways of working to proactively support the management and ‘flow’ of STEMI, NSTEMI, Cardiac Arrhythmias, Acute decompensated Heart Failure, Valvular conditions, and other acute cardiac conditions. Additionally, my role involves running Rapid Access Chest Pain Clinics.

Jo is passionate about delivering innovative, evidence based care for her cardiac patients, and to this end undertook a qualitative research study entitled ‘Reasons for delay when experiencing an acute myocardial infarction (AMI)’ as part of her MSc. The results of this study were fascinating and shaped the way she assessed cardiac patients thereafter. One of her recommendations from this study was a campaign to educate the general public and health professionals about the ‘typical’ symptoms associated with an AMI. Little did she realise all those years ago the future impact of the Internet, World Wide Web, and Dr Google, on the amount of patients likely to attend ED departments in the future with chest pain and self-diagnosed concerns of an imminent AMI. As a team they currently screen out hundreds of patients monthly, to find approximately 10 - 20% are STEMI’s/NSTEMI’s. A complete turnaround from the days of my qualitative study related to delay in seeking help! How to address this phenomenon in the future is currently under study.
**BANCC : Speakers**

**Judith Edwards, Lead Nurse**  
**Cardiovascular Prevention & Rehabilitation Programmes – Charing Cross Hospital**

Judith has over 20 years’ experience delivering Cardiac Prevention & Rehabilitation programmes in both primary and secondary care settings. She joined the team at Imperial Healthcare in 2007 and is currently the Lead Nurse for both the Charing Cross Hospital and MyAction Community Programmes. As well as delivering nurse-led services to her patients, Judith manages a multi-disciplinary team of nurse specialists, dieticians and exercise specialists in delivering a cardiac prevention and rehabilitation programme to patients with cardiovascular disease and heart failure. As a member of BACPR Council (serving as Secretary for 2 years) between 2006 and 2010, Judith worked in the development group that produced the BACR Standards and Core Components (2007). She was nurse lead for the Nurse Lead for the North West London Cardiac Rehabilitation Network from 2010-2012. Judith delivers presentations both locally and nationally and has had articles published in high-profile cardiology and nursing journals. Judith qualified as an independent nurse prescriber in 2010.

**Joanne Denman – Lead Cardiology Advanced Care Practitioner (ACP), Lincolnshire Heart Centre**

Joanne joined the trust in 1999 as a staff nurse on a Cardiology ward and progressed through the ranks to practitioner level by 2005. She was responsible for setting up a nurse led Rapid Access Chest Pain Clinic (RACPC) and Stress Echo service which over the last 10 years has developed into a team of practitioners across three sites. The team support the Primary Percutaneous Coronary Angioplasty (PPCI) service and other acute services including Cardioversion, RACPC, Arrhythmia clinic and Implantable Loop Recorder (ILR) devices.

Joanne progressed to the Lead Cardiology ACP in 2013. She attained a Clinical Masters in Cardiology, Practitioner with a Specialist Interest which is recognised by the General Medical Council and supported her in working at an advanced level. She has a particular interest in Chest pain and Arrhythmia management and was responsible for setting up an arrhythmia clinic. Joanne independently implants Loop recorder devices and has published several papers regarding nurse led Cardiological Services.

**Jane Caton, Cardiac Specialist Nurse - Wrightington, Wigan and Leigh NHS Foundation Trust**

The presenter trained as a nurse in 1984 and on qualifying took up a staff nurse post on an acute medical ward. After 10 months the presenter took up a post in the Coronary Care Unit. The opportunity to study on the ENB 125 course at Whiston Hospital for 12 months was embraced and successfully completed in 1990. Promotion followed in the CCU at Leigh Infirmary to Junior Sister. Further study ensued in the form of ENB 998 (Teaching Certificate) and a Degree in Health care Studies. Promotion to G Grade Sister on CCU was then achieved in 1992. This was later followed by Masters Programme of study at John Moore University. The presenter is an ALS instructor.

In the year 2000 funding was released on the back on the NSF for Coronary Heart Disease and an Angina Specialist role was created within the trust. This role has evolved and now the presenter practises as a Cardiac Specialist Nurse.

The Cardiac Specialist Nurse role is wide and varied allowing the practitioner to enjoy the diversity of working on the wards, Angina clinics, Nurse Led RACPC and of course the running of the Dobutamine Stress Echo assessment Service with our team in the Cardiology department at WWL. Job satisfaction is obtained in abundance on a daily basis.

The presenter is also involved in the teaching of Band 5 newly appointed staff nurses through a dedicated induction programme that WWL runs. Teaching is another great passion with the view that education is extremely important aspect of nursing culture in order to improve quality of nursing as well as the retention of nurses within an organisation.
Sarah Young, Cardiology Nurse Consultant-Brighton & Sussex University Hospitals NHS Trust

Sarah is a Cardiology Nurse Consultant working in Brighton for the past 14 years having seen many changes and developments in cardiac nursing. As a Nurse Consultant she spends 50% of her time in clinical practice, and the remaining time covering the other aspects of the role: education and training, leadership and service development, and audit and research. Sarah’s clinical work focuses on heart failure and the management in Primary Angioplasty pathway. Sarah leads the heart failure nursing team providing both inpatient and outpatient care for its patient group. With regards to the primary angioplasty pathway, she has redesigned their pathway to allow direct entry into the cardiac catheter labs, expanding the CCU nurse role in the process. Sarah also provides clinical and professional nursing support to the other nurse specialists in the cardiac centre, promoting the development of specialist nursing care.

Sarah is an experienced cardiac nurse with a BSc (Hons) in Professional Practice and MSc Clinical Cardiology. She presents at national and international conferences and has publications in her name.

Dr Karen Smith is currently employed as a Nurse consultant which is a joint appointment between Cardiology within NHS Tayside and the School of Nursing and Midwifery, University of Dundee

Karen has been active in the field of cardiovascular nursing since 1987. In 1990 she was awarded a Part Time research fellowship from the SODOH, which led to the completion of a PhD. Her clinical remit involves leading the development and evaluation of cardiac nursing services, which is complemented by research and teaching in the School of Nursing and Midwifery. In 2000 she was awarded a Nurse Fellowship from the European Society of Cardiology for her contribution to cardiovascular nursing. She held the post as the lead clinician for the Managed clinical network for Coronary Heart Disease, NHS Tayside from 2004 to 2007.

Karen remains active in clinical practice, education and research in cardiovascular nursing, supervising and supporting nurses both in clinical practice and within higher education. She is committed to supporting the development of research capacity and capability within NMAHP’s and has combined this with the development and evaluation of person centered cardiovascular nursing services. She is actively involved in education of health care teams locally and nationally and is module leader for post-registration and post graduate courses in cardiovascular care for nurses and AHP’s, as well as the development of on line educational materials through Heart-E.

Karen has been actively involved in professional organizations, national working groups focusing on cardiac service provision. This has included the position as Chair of the European Society of Cardiology (ESC) working group on Cardiovascular Nursing (2000-2002). She has been an active member of various strategic working groups for CHD services within the Scottish Government, SIGN (Scottish Intercollegiate Guidelines Network) and Quality Improvement Scotland (QIS) and contributed to the development and evaluation of services and national standards for CHD. She currently sits on the Familial Arrhythmia Network Scotland (FANS) steering group, with a remit to take forward a subgroup for NMAHPS to support service development, explore patient experience and organise educational events for the health care teams. She is also a member of the editorial board for the European Journal of Cardiovascular Nursing.
Elizabeth Rayner, Patient Educator – Pumping Marvellous Foundation

Liz is a 56 year old mother living with a disability and also an inefficient heart and poorly vascular system.

Some time ago, she chose to accept and live with her health issues and that guided her into the voluntary sector and Health and Social Care, she has always worked to raise awareness of health issues and the impact on a person’s overall wellbeing, physical and mental health.

Liz started her career in social care 1995 as a part time volunteer with the Princess Royal Trust for Carers; it wasn’t long before she was offered full time work as part of a team developing a very successful young carer’s project, offering emotional and practical support to 150 young carers and their families.

During that time, Liz was also part of a team developing a Carers Support Project providing information on social care and welfare rights/benefits to adult carers, which is still going strong today.

Work for her has always been around providing emotional & practical support to disabled people, their carers’ and families, consultation on issues close to and that impact disabled people’s lives.

It was a natural progression to go full circle, now semi-retired I volunteer for NHS/Macmillan 2 days a week giving welfare rights/benefit advice to Cancer patients and their families/carer.

Liz is also a volunteer Patient Educator with Pumping Marvellous;

Liz hopes to continue and help expand on the great work already done in raising awareness of Heart Failure, national and global equality of care and what that means from a patients’ perspective. All this while we continue to provide, support, information and advice to all Heart Failure patients, carers and their families.

Dr Ian Jones, Senior Lecturer – University of Salford

Ian is a senior cardiac nurse and academic with over 25 year’s clinical experience. He is a former President of the British Association for Nursing in Cardiovascular Care, Council member of the British Cardiovascular Society and Nurse Fellow of the European Society of Cardiology.

He has published widely in the field and completed a PhD focussing on the clinical outcomes of cardiac patients. He has successfully managed a number of funded research projects which have included the needs of the carers of cardiac patients, the end of life needs of heart failure patients and the users’ views of cardiac nurses

He has benefited from a number of grants from the British Heart Foundation and other NHS organisations to undertake this important area of work.

Ian is an internationally renowned academic who is regularly invited to present at the annual conferences of a number of national cardiac societies.
We would like to thank our sponsors for supporting this event.