



# International Medical Informatics Association: Nursing Informatics Special Interest Group

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## Executive Committee (2021-2024)

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## Global webinar in September



IMIA NI Global Webinar  
Hosted by:  
SLOVENIAN NURSING INFORMATICS INTEREST GROUP

IMIA NI is launching a series of global webinars. Each webinar will be hosted by an IMIA NI member country. In September 2022, the Slovenian Nursing Informatics Interest Group in collaboration with IMIA NI is organizing

the webinar "*Workforce empowerment for future challenges*".

The event will be opened by the representatives of the Nurses and Midwives Association of Slovenia, Monika Ažman and Anita Prelec, and by three keynote speakers, experts in the field of nursing informatics: Diane Skiba, Patrick Weber, and Uroš Rajkovič. The webinar will continue with a panel discussion, where Ann Kristin Rotegård, Margie Kennedy, Michelle Honey, Nick Hardiker, Joy Lee, Boštjan Žvanut and all workshop participants will discuss the challenges of empowering nurses in the field of nursing informatics. In the last part of the webinar, discussion about the topic in smaller groups will take place. The findings will be shared at the end, along with suggestions for future development.

The webinar will be led by Boštjan Žvanut, the president of the Slovenian Nursing Informatics Interest Group. Due to different time zones, the webinar will be repeated as two events:

- 29 September 2022, 20:00, Central European Time (CET), OR
- 30 September 2022, 06:30, Central European Time (CET)

The webinar is free of charge. Registration details will be in a following newsletter.

## Call for papers - Information & Management Journal

The journal **Information & Management** has an upcoming special issue on 'Connecting Data, People, and Information Technology for Smart and Connected Health'. The deadline for submissions is 1 October 2022. Smart and connected health (SCH) is one of the most important information technology applications to improve healthcare quality and outcome (Carroll, 2016; Leroy et al., 2014). The need for health awareness and continuous monitoring, self-management, and proactive assistance to patients have attracted increasing research on SCH. Realizing the promise and potential of SCH for health improvement and the transformation of healthcare will require well-coordinated and multidisciplinary approaches that draw from social, behavioral, economic, psychological, computer science, and information systems disciplines, as well as public health, medicine, and biology. This special issue calls for research on various issues and solutions that leverage smart and connected health technology or focus on the impact of SCH solutions on people, healthcare service providers, and society as a whole. [Click here](#) for more information and possible topics for submissions.

## WHAT IS IMIA-NI?

IMIA-NI is the world body for health and biomedical informatics. The focus of IMIA-NI is to foster collaboration among nurses and others who are interested in Nursing Informatics to facilitate development in the field. We aim to share knowledge, experience and ideas with nurses and healthcare providers worldwide about the practice of Nursing Informatics and the benefits of enhanced information management.

IMIA Nursing Informatics  
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<https://www.linkedin.com/groups/6716836/>

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national nursing informatics  
organizations.**

## Honorary Member: Marion Ball by Diane Skiba

Marion J Ball, EdD, FACMI, FAAN, FIAHSI, FAHIMA, FMLA, FLHIMSS, FCHIME is recognized as “one of the most influential women in health IT” by the Healthcare Information and Management Systems Society (HIMSS). She was awarded the American College of Medical Informatics’ (ACMI) highest honor, the Morris F. Collen Lifetime Achievement Award, as well as the International Medical Informatics Association’s (IMIA) Francois Gremy Award. Dr. Ball served as the first female IMIA President (1993-1995) and was on the IMIA Board (1985-2000). She was instrumental in facilitating the development of IMIA NI to become a Special Interest Group (SIG). She is also one of the Founding Members of the International Academy of Health Sciences Informatics.



Dr. Ball, most recently in 2020, was inducted into the Academy of Medicine, Engineering, and Science of Texas. She is a member of the National Academy of Medicine (NAM) and was elected to membership of the IBM Industry Academy (special emphasis on education and training). Dr. Ball is also an honorary Fellow of the American Academy of Nursing (AAN) and an honorary member of Sigma Theta Tau International Nursing Honor Society. She is a founding board member of Health on the Net (HON), an international organization to validate trusted information on the internet. She served on the National Library

of Medicine’s Board of Regents for over ten years and on the American Medical Informatics Association (AMIA) Board. Dr. Ball has served on the board of the College of Health Information Management Executives (CHIME) and on the Health Information Management Systems Society (HIMSS) Board. She is a founding member of the TIGER (Technology Informatics Guiding Education Reform).

Dr. Ball has published extensively in the federal, academic, and private sectors, and has published over 20 core textbooks in the health informatics field. She has over 250 journal publications, as well as book chapters and video presentations. A complete listing of her journal publications can be found at <https://scholar.google.com/citations?user=q26128AAAAAJ&hl=en&oi=ao>.

Dr. Ball is the Founding Executive Director, Multi-Interprofessional Center for Health Informatics (MICHI), University of Texas. She is the Raj and Indra Nooyi Endowed Distinguished Chair in Bioengineering, University of Texas at Arlington. She is also a Presidential Distinguished Professor, College of Nursing and Health Innovation.

## Friends of the National Library of Medicine Virginia Saba Tribute Oct 20<sup>th</sup>

Save the date! The Friends of the National Library of Medicine Tribute to Virginia Saba and update on Nursing Terminologies Workshop will be held virtually on October 20, 2022 and the keynote will be delivered by Dr. Patricia Brennan. We will share more information once it becomes available.

### Upcoming Events and News

- [20th International Conference on Informatics, Management and Technology in Healthcare \(ICIMTH\)](#) is being held as an e-conference 1-3 July.
- The 31st [Summer Institute in Nursing Informatics](#) at the University of Maryland School of Nursing in Baltimore, Maryland, USA is being held virtually 14 to 15 July.
- [2022 IMIA NI General Assembly](#) Either Monday September 12 at 2000 OR Tuesday September 13 at 0630 CEST — Central European Summer Time (try this meeting planner site to convert to your local time).
- [MedInfo 2023](#) is being held in Sydney, Australia 7-12 July.

Please let us know if you have any news or events to share