



Research Committee

Terms of Reference

Purpose / Objectives

The Research Committee has been established to achieve the following components of the CENA strategic plan:

Strategic Area: Research and evidence-based practice

To support relevant nursing research and evidence based practice

Desirable Outcomes:

- Set the research agenda, priorities and direction for CENA
- Develop research and scholarship opportunities for CENA members
- Promote evidence based health care and the incorporation of research findings into emergency care delivery

Specific activity based from the strategic plan for this committee to achieve:

- Monitor and review College –based research application processes
- Support mentorship programs for junior researchers
- Foster collaborative research with multidisciplinary teams
- Administer research grants awarded by CENA
- Engage with industry to explore funding options for research that improves emergency care
- Promote research that has a direct relationship to the delivery of emergency care
- Publish ICEN abstracts on the ICEN / CENA webpage
- Utilise social media platforms
- Support authors accepted at ICEN to publish their findings in peer-reviewed journal
- Disseminate relevant research outcomes to CENA members

Meeting Frequency

Minimum quarterly meetings.

Life of the Committee

2 years.

Membership

Minimum of 6 members made up of:

- CENA Board member (Chair);
- A minimum of one CENA Fellow;
- CENA Members;
- Non-member subject matter experts where required.

Quorum

Minimum of 50% of the Committee membership plus one additional Committee member including the Chair or their proxy.

Decision-making

The Committee is to form recommendations for the CENA Board.

Reporting

The Committee Chair will select a secretary from the committee membership to record the activities and outcomes of the group. The Committee Chair will report these outcomes to the CENA Board on a quarterly basis.

Financial Delegation

Nil.

Alteration of Terms of Reference

Committee Chair to form a recommendation for changes to the terms of reference for Board endorsement.

As agreed:

CENA Board March 2016