

# QNIS FELLOWS NETWORK

## ***Welcome...***

.... to the first edition of the QNIS Fellows Network Newsletter. Following the highly successful Fellows Network meeting on 20 April 2005, this newsletter is intended to provide you with information on QNIS matters.

## ***Who can join the Fellows Network?***

All primary care nurses who have been awarded the Fellowship by Assessment (FBA) by the Queen's Nursing Institute Scotland are invited to become members of the QNIS Fellows Network.

## ***Aim of the Fellows Network***

The aim of the Fellows Network is to enable the Fellows to become ambassadors for the QNIS in their local area.

## ***Objectives of the Fellows Network***

- To provide a mechanism for mutual support.
- To provide an opportunity for personal development through taking on QNIS responsibilities.
- To develop an information network.

## ***How will the Network operate?***

QNIS is keen to develop an email group, to enable all Fellows to be involved regardless of distance. Currently the group is quite small, but it is hoped that the network will develop over the next few years. It is important for you as Fellows to be involved in how the network develops, and to let QNIS know how we should move forward.

## ***What are the opportunities to become involved?***

Here are a few ideas on how you might like to be more involved in the work of QNIS.

## ***FBA Version II***

The new version of FBA was launched on April 20. There will be 10 places on the programme, and we would welcome Fellows to volunteer to:

- Attend the Introductory Workshop to advise and inform new FBA candidates
- Act as a mentor to a FBA candidate
- To attend a workshop to become an assessor for FBA.

## ***Nae Risk Training DVD***

The Nae Risk project has come to an end, but the training DVD is designed to enable all people at all levels to become involved in Patient Focus Public Involvement (PFPI). If you interested in helping to facilitate this training, please let us know.

## ***Scotland's Garden Scheme***

2006 is the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary of Scotland's Garden Scheme, and there will be a variety of opportunities to be involved. The QNIS is sponsoring a garden competition for gardens demonstrating a healing theme. There will also be local SGS celebrations where we would welcome a Fellow to represent QNIS at these events.