



## Letter from the editors

### A New Journal for a New Era

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Critical care practice has never been more impactful than it is today. On the back of the worst pandemic in over 100 years, critical care clinicians are being exemplified as people who save and restore lives every day in communities worldwide, as never before. It is important to maintain a long-lasting and robust focus on the vital contribution of critical care practice in the health and wellbeing of each community and nation globally and to share our intellectual and practical resources to ensure a better and safer future for all.

To this end, the World Federation of Critical Care Nurses (WFCCN), as the global representative of critical care nurses and their organisations, seeks to inform and guide international policy, practice, innovation, and excellence in the world of critical care.

As the official journal of the WFCCN, the *International Journal of Critical Care (IJCC)* builds on the legacy and successes of *Connect*, and endeavours to be a truly global vehicle for sharing the latest research, initiatives, policy advice, and achievements in critical care.

The emergence of a new and powerful international critical care journal to profile the work of our colleagues and organisations in our field and the innovations necessary to continue to advance the impact of critical care on lives and families is essential. *IJCC* represents a new and fresh beginning for WFCCN and its partner organisations to be a voice for critical care practitioners globally.

*IJCC* has an editorial team supported by diverse critical care leaders to ensure universal knowledge, capability, reach, and representation. WFCCN aims to position *IJCC* as a premier international journal that attracts clinicians, researchers, educators, leaders, and managers from all facets of critical care practice and from all parts of the



world to share and engage in contemporary and necessary discussions that will shape future health care practice.

There has never been a more pressing time than now for critical care professionals to lend their voices to the global community as we are on the front line of the COVID-19 pandemic, the non-communicable disease pandemic, wars, and civil conflicts, as well as significant disadvantages and disease within the many communities and families we serve.

Being a critical care nurse, doctor, or other health care provider brings an enormous honour and responsibility. The communities and people we serve expect us to bring quality to everything we do. Error is our enemy, and excellence is our goal. So too, *IJCC* will work side-by-side with our colleagues and friends to profile innovations and improvements that help reduce error and inequities in care and strive for excellence with applications that can be shared between the richest and poorest countries in the world and everyone in between.

The *IJCC*/WFCCN pledge is to provide:

- A strong profile of practical and intellectually rigorous content
- Policy advice from WFCCN and other international authorities
- A journal free of charge to authors and readers
- PubMed Indexation and an Impact Factor

We look forward to working with you and your colleagues to realise the vision of *IJCC* and WFCCN.