

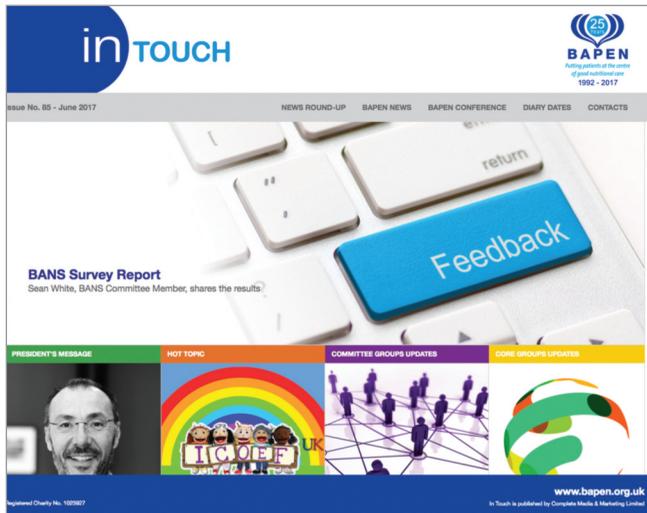
Keeping 'In Touch' with BAPEN

Highlights from BAPEN's membership newsletter – In Touch

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WELCOME



BAPEN has recently re-launched its new look, new format membership newsletter – In Touch. In Touch not only provides BAPEN members with details on current BAPEN initiatives and news but also includes topical features, news from the nutrition arena as a whole, along with updates from the Core and Committee Groups of BAPEN.

So you can keep up-to-date with all things BAPEN, we have put together a snapshot of what's currently featured in the latest issue of In Touch – affording you the opportunity to keep 'In Touch' with BAPEN!

If you would like to find out more about the work of BAPEN, get involved in a Committee or specialist group, or become a member, please visit: www.bapen.org.uk or email: bapen@bapen.org.uk

Kate Hall, BAPEN Communications Lead

FEATURE ARTICLE

BANS Survey Report

By Sean White, BANS Committee Member

The British Artificial Nutrition Survey (BANS), now a web-based system, has been collecting data about patients on home enteral tube feeding (HETF) for two decades. BANS reports provide evidence of trends with regards the use of artificial nutrition support (ANS). It continues to evolve in response to the needs of health professionals supporting patients on ANS and to the changes to how NHS services are commissioned. A multi-disciplinary committee, including nursing, dietetics, pharmacy and medical representation from all 4 home countries, oversee BANS initiatives and seek to disseminate meaningful data about current practice. It is the largest register of patients on ANS in the world and is regularly cited in research studies, guidance and other publications focusing on patients receiving ANS.

The BANS Committee wish to further develop the e-BANS HETF database, focusing on the data collected and the ease of reporting both locally and nationally. To help inform this process, the BANS Committee recently conducted a survey amongst healthcare professionals and in the latest issue of In Touch we share the responses.



2017 BAPEN ANNUAL CONFERENCE

Hilton Birmingham Metropole – 21st & 22nd November 2017

BAPEN's 2017 Malnutrition Matters Conference will focus on Providing Quality Nutritional Care.

This year's conference will provide a multi-disciplinary programme and symposia will cover a variety of topics, some of which include:

- Organisational Change in the NHS and its Impact on Parenteral Nutrition
- Estimating Nutritional Requirements
- Restraints
- Tackling Malnutrition in the Community
- Rehabilitation after Serious Illness
- Modified Textures & Dysphagia
- Nutrition & Dementia
- Integration of Health and Social Care
- Refeeding Syndrome.

For further information, please visit: www.bapen.org.uk

International Children's Ostomy Educational Foundation

By *Judith White, President, International Children's Ostomy Educational Foundation UK (ICOEF UK)* – www.icoef-uk.com

Life changed for a fifty year old, living in the depths of Mid Wales. Liz Prosser woke up from an operation which left her with a stoma. What was a stoma and what would happen to her from now on and for the rest of her life? She researched the subject as much as she could and found very little to satisfy her knowledge. So, Liz, together with her husband Philip, who are both writers, produced a resource book 'Unwanted Baggage', but this wouldn't help parents of children who had gone through the same experience as herself.



To help parents and children, the International Children's Ostomy Educational Foundation was started by Liz & Phil Prosser in 2011 for children with bowel and bladder diversions. This unique charity produces Ostomy puppets to help stoma nurses assist ostomate children and parents through their life changing medical procedures.

OTHER HIGHLIGHTS

- **President's Message** – Dr Simon Gabe provides BAPEN Members with an update on current BAPEN initiatives, including details on BAPEN's 5-year vision and strategy, BAPEN's Nutritional Care Tool and much more.
- **News Round Up** – Keeping you up-to-date on news from the nutrition arena.
- **BAPEN News** – The latest from BAPEN.
- **Committee Groups Updates** – The BAPEN Education & Training Committee report.
- **Core Groups Updates** – BAPEN Medical, NNNG, PINNT, NIFWG of BSPGHAN and PENG share details on their current activities.
- **Diary Dates** – Key events not to be missed!

Join BAPEN

BAPEN has been the catalyst for major nutritional changes within our healthcare system. This has achieved through:

- Tireless government lobbying
- Research and monitoring
- The development of vital tools and resources
- The hard work of our members who are making significant changes that make a real difference to patient outcomes.

Why join BAPEN?

A larger membership means a stronger share of voice when we speak to Government and senior decision and policy makers.

Importantly, the membership subscriptions enable us to invest in the development of resources which we can then provide free of charge for use across the NHS.

Membership benefits

BAPEN: discounted rates for Annual Conference, regional meetings and ESPEN

Access: to a wide range of online resources, and BAPEN's membership publication 'In Touch'

Policy: access & input to national reports, documents & commissioning tools

Education: through local & national events

Networking: opportunities through forums, meetings and events.

Visit: www.bapen.org.uk to join.

BAPEN brings together the strengths of its Core Groups to optimise nutritional care

