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Behind the Scenes @10 Years Meet the NNEdPro Core Team

Behind any programme of work are the people who make it all happen! So, as we gear up for our 10th Anniversary Events this Summer we asked the NNEdPro Core Team three key questions (below) to gain an insight into the drivers behind our shared mission and vision – several pages of responses later we decided to synthesise and share the main themes into a thought tapestry – one that binds together an otherwise virtual and diverse team spread across locations as well as professions.



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GIP: Global Innovation Panel, KRP: Key Resources Panel

What does NNEdPro mean to you?

- A multidisciplinary international community of like-minded professionals striving to improve global health through nutrition research, education and healthcare.
- Bringing together educators and researchers from around the world with the goal of improving nutritional knowledge and education.
- A melting pot of expertise to prevent and manage nutrition-related health issues.
- Addressing gaps in knowledge and practice from many different perspectives.
- Combining clinical specialisms as represented by the team.
- Translating research into language that is easily understood by individuals.
- Working from the 'bench' of the researcher, to the 'bedside' of the patient.

What is your motivation to be involved in NNEdPro?

- A strong belief in our mission to improve health, wellbeing and society.
- Inspired to be part of an ambitious and stimulating programme.
- Seeing the impact of our projects is a great incentive to continue developing our work.
- Collective goals of strengthening the medical and healthcare nutrition knowledge base, bettering healthcare delivery, increasing general nutrition awareness and improving overall population health.
- A platform to develop networks locally and globally, and to exchange knowledge with other individuals who have common interests.
- A vision of the general improvement of population health across a range of disciplines.

What do you think is the future of NNEdPro?

- Inspiring and empowering a new generation of future leaders and trainers.
- Through unique interdisciplinary thinking and global connections, an endeavour to achieve population level impact.
- Global provision of nutrition education to medical students and other healthcare professionals
- The potential to integrate the four pillars of novel medical sciences: Education, Research, Evaluation and Advocacy.
- The launch of the new BMJ Nutrition, Prevention & Health Journal in July 2018 on our 10th anniversary celebration, is just one milestone in the beginning of a new journey.
- If you measure an organisation on its past, the future certainly looks promising!

Some favourite snippets from this deep dive are: 'something bigger than the sum of our parts'; 'a hub that brings people together'; 'belief in our mission'; 'very exciting'; 'the sky is the limit!'. These sparks of inspiration are sure to get us through a rainy day as we look ahead to the next decade of hard work and our role in navigating global challenges. Join us this summer in Cambridge or catchup with us at ASN in Boston / SNEB in Minneapolis / NSA in Canberra!