

Anne MacDonald OBE

Professional Career - Anne MacDonald was Director of Nursing in a Children's Hospital, and later an Independent Consultant in Children's Nursing.

As Chair of the Royal College of Nursing Paediatric Nurse Managers Forum she chaired a Standards Working Party; the report was published internationally. She was instrumental in the production of one of the first 'Paediatric Nursing Models'. Anne was a member of 'Action for Sick Children' and The Hospital Play Staff Education Trust, that implemented a re-registration system for hospital play specialists.

She won a Health Service Journal award and was joint winner of a Calouste-Gulbenkian award, both for introducing innovative ways of improving quality of hospital child care. As nurse member of the Department of Health Allitt Inquiry Team (set up following deaths of children in a Lincolnshire Hospital), she contributed to recommendations made in the final report. Later, as a member of UK Nursing Council Preliminary Proceedings Panel, and as an Expert Witness, she carried out work to improve standards of record keeping. She has written and lectured extensively about raising standards of care, and spoke at home and abroad about her work on the Allitt Inquiry Team. She has had several articles published on all the above. She was awarded an OBE in the 1995 New Year's Honours for services to Paediatric Nursing.



Anne joined **SI Salford** in 1989, serving as President twice, Programme Action Officer for 4 years, and Regional Representative, for 5 years. She has given several presentations about her professional life. Guest Speaker at a Past Regional Presidents and Charter Lunch. She was a member of UKPAC Working Party on Prostitution, attending the presentation of the Report in the House of Commons.

Anne transferred to **SI Ellesmere Port & District** in 2001 and served as President, Chair of PAC (4 years), Regional Representative (4 years) and Friendship Link Coordinator.

Anne Proposed the project for 2007-2011 Quadrennial Appeal at Regional Meeting. With a London colleague she developed Project Sierra and presented this at Federation Conference and to the SI Board Meeting. She was Regional President of Cheshire North Wales & Wirral 2008-09, She was SIGBI Project Liaison Ambassador (2007-11). Produced articles, reports for publication and spoke about this project throughout UK. She attended 1st Study Tour to Sierra Leone, 2009 and gave final Project Presentation at Brighton Conference 2011 where she reported reaching £1million target.

As Regional Councillor (2011 -15) she spoke to Regional clubs about the Building the Future initiative, and was instrumental in setting up the new Chester club Transferring to **SI Chester**, in 2015 where she served as PAO (2 years), Regional Representative (4 years), Website Administrator and FL Coordinator since 2015. Anne led the work on Modern Day Slavery and helped prepare a Presentation, which was delivered to Community and University groups and Chester Story house Women's Weekends.

Anne represented Cheshire Clubs on Cheshire Anti-Slavery Network and has attended many Federation Conferences, 4 International Conventions and was Chief Steward at Federation Conference in Cardiff 2017. She is Chair of Conference in Llandudno 2021 Soroptimist Centenary Year.

Anne is a member of SIGBI Patron's Working Party. She actively promotes the values of Soroptimist International wherever she is in the World. She was proud to receive her 30 Years Membership Long Service Award.