

**Australian Collaborating Centre for the Family of International
Classifications**

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1. Introduction

This report describes the activities of the Australian Collaborating Centre (ACC) for the WHO Family of International Classifications (WHO-FIC) for the period October 2009-October 2010.

The Australian Institute of Health and Welfare (AIHW) in Canberra, Australia has hosted the ACC since April 1991. It was redesignated on 7 May 2010 for a further four year period. The Head of the Centre is currently Ms Jenny Hargreaves, Senior Executive, Hospitals and Performance Group pending appointment of a new Chief Executive Officer for the AIHW. The AIHW is a statutory authority in the Health and Ageing portfolio of the Australian federal government. Its mission is *Better information and statistics for better health and wellbeing*.

The role of the AIHW is to inform community discussion and decision-making, through national leadership and collaboration in developing and providing health and welfare statistics and information. The AIHW, in conjunction with its collaborating units, is a significant user of the statistical classifications. Through organisational members of the Australian Collaborating Centre,, the use of the International Classification of Disease (ICD), the International Classification of Functioning, Disabilities and Health (ICF), the International Classification of External Causes of Injury (ICECI) and the International Classification of Primary Care, Version 2 (ICPC-2) is facilitated.

The ACC continues to actively promote the development and use of classifications and terminologies in Australia, the Asia-Pacific region and through contributions to the WHO-FIC Network.

2. Australian Collaborating Centre Terms of Reference

- 2.1.** To promote the development and use of the WHO Family of International Classifications (WHO-FIC) including:
 - 2.1.1. The International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems (ICD) for mortality statistics, hospital morbidity statistics and hospital medical record indexing and contribute to its improvement in light of practical experience;
 - 2.1.2. The International Classification of Functioning Disability and Health (ICF) and contribute to its development in light of practical experience; and
 - 2.1.3. Other related and derived members of the WHO-FIC, including as appropriate, national modifications in their specific areas of application and contribute to their development in light of practical experience;
- 2.2.** To promote the quality use of WHO-FIC classifications in data collections and data analysis by participating in quality assurance procedures regarding norms for use, training and data collection and application rules;
- 2.3.** To prepare teaching materials and organize and conduct training courses on the implementation and use of members of the WHO-FIC in Australia and WHO regions, and to contribute to the development of common international training tools and internet-based applications by preparing translations and adaptations of the tools;
- 2.4.** To improve member classifications, both locally and through WHO structures by studying aspects related to the structure, interpretations and application of members of the WHO-FIC including those concerning taxonomy, linguistics, terminology and nomenclature;
- 2.5.** To contribute to the development of methodologies for the use of the WHO-FIC to facilitate the measurement of health status, interventions and outcomes on a sufficiently consistent and reliable basis to permit comparisons within countries over time and within and between countries at the same point in time which includes the creation of comparable lists, correspondence tables and comparability studies;
- 2.6.** To develop the family of health classifications, its scope and criteria for membership and including new members such as health interventions, external causes of injury and primary care;
- 2.7.** To support the work of the WHO-FIC committees and reference groups established to assist WHO in the development, testing, implementation, use, improvement, updating and revision of the members of the WHO-FIC including:
 - 2.7.1. Committees (Planning Committee of WHO-FIC, Family Development Committee, Update Reference Committee, Education Committee, Implementation Committee, and electronic Tolls Committee), and
 - 2.7.2. Reference Groups (Mortality, Morbidity and Functioning and Disability);
- 2.8.** To establish networks with current and potential users of the WHO-FIC and act as a reference centre (eg clearing house for good practice guidelines and the resolution of problems) for information about the WHO-FIC and other health-related classifications including:

- 2.8.1. The availability, suitability and applicability of the classifications for different purposes,
 - 2.8.2. Coding practices,
 - 2.8.3. Availability of tools for implementation, and
 - 2.8.4. Data analysis and interpretation;
- 2.9.** To assist the WHO Headquarters and the Regional Office in the preparation of members of the WHO-FIC and other relevant materials in the English language and to act as a reference centre for that language on all matters related to the WHO-FIC;
- 2.10.** To support existing and potential users of the WHO-FIC by establishing Memoranda of Understanding with WHO Regional Offices to assist the implementation of the WHO-FIC classifications throughout the Region (eg WPRO, SEARO and AFRO);
- 2.11.** To establish agreements with other Member States, for example, New Zealand, to assist the work of the Australian Centre;
- 2.12.** To present periodic reports of the Centre's activities to the annual meetings of the Heads of WHO Collaborating Centres for the WHO Family of International Classifications; and
- 2.13.** To provide Chairs for the WHO-FIC Committees.

3. Activities of the ACC against the Terms of Reference

3.1. To promote the development and use of the WHO Family of International Classifications

International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 11th revision (ICD-11)

In July 2009, the Australian Centre for Clinical Terminology and Information (ACCTI) at the University of Wollongong, in collaboration with National Centre for Health Information Research & Training (NCHIRT) at the Queensland University of Technology, was contracted to provide the Australian lead author for the development of the alpha version of the International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, Eleventh Revision (ICD-11). The nine month project from August 2009-July 2010 was funded by the Australian Department of Health and Ageing (DoHA) and managed by the Australian Collaborating Centre (ACC). The ACCTI and NCHIRT teams supported the nominated lead author, Ms Kerry Innes, ACCTI Manager, during the project. In this role, Kerry attended the first iCamp, reviewed the iCat and has assisted TAG members with content development.

Professor Richard Madden and Professor James Harrison are members of the Revision Steering Group and also attended the initial iCamp. The ACC also provided expertise to the following ICD-11 TAGs in the reporting period:

- Morbidity TAG: Ms Kerry Innes, Ms Julie Rust
- Mortality TAG: Mr Garry Waller
- Functioning and Disability TAG: Ms Ros Madden
- Injury and External Causes TAG: Professor James Harrison, Mr Adam Harrison, Dr Kirsten McKenzie, Kerry Innes
- Internal Medicine TAG: Ms Julie Rust
- Mental Health TAG: Professor Gavin Andrews
- Health Information Modelling TAG: Professor Jon Patrick

Other Australians, who are not formally members of the ACC, are also represented on various TAGs.

International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th revision (ICD-10)

The principal use of the ICD-10 in Australia is for the production of official mortality statistics on causes of death by the Australian Bureau of Statistics (ABS). The ABS utilizes the Mortality Medical Data System for coding multiple causes of death. The National Centre for Health Information Research and Training (NCHIRT), formerly part of the NCCH, hosts the Australasian Mortality Data Interest Group (AMDIG). AMDIG was established in 2003 with the overall function of facilitating information sharing relating to the collection, collation, coding, dissemination and analysis of causes of death data in Australia, New Zealand and the

Asia-Pacific region. AMDIG provides a forum for information users, researchers, managers and providers to contribute and promote sound data collection and management principles, their application to mortality data processes and to identify issues for attention. It also:

- Provides a link between national mortality information and international developments.
- Provides advice to managers and users of mortality information on technical standards related to mortality data collection, analysis, reporting, policy and procedures.
- Provides a forum for the discussion of issues for the improvement and promotion of the integration, scope, coverage and quality of mortality information.
- Disseminates information to membership through the AMDIG list server and AMDIG web site.

An annual workshop on specific aspects of mortality data is conducted. The theme for the 2009 meeting, held in Wellington New Zealand on 2-3 December, was External Causes of Death. Copies of presentations from all AMDIG workshops are available at <http://www.nchirt.qut.edu.au/consultancy/amdig/workshops/>

The current chair of AMDIG is Professor James Harrison, Ms Sue Walker is Deputy Chair and Mr Garry Waller provides the secretariat.

International Statistical Classification of Diseases and Related Health Problems, 10th revision, Australian modification (ICD-10-AM)

On 1 July 2010, responsibility for the development and maintenance of the ICD-10-AM moved from the National Centre for Classification in Health (NCCH) at the University of Sydney to the National Casemix and Classification Centre (NCCC) at the University of Wollongong. The NCCC is funded by the Australian Department of Health and Ageing to develop the 8th Edition of ICD-10-AM/ACHI/ACS which is planned for implementation in Australia from 1 July 2013. Ms Kerry Innes leads the ICD-10-AM work program for the NCCC.

The seventh edition of the ICD-10-AM was implemented in hospitals across Australia on 1 July 2010. A summary of the changes is available at <http://nccc.uow.edu.au/icd10am/icd10amachiaseventheditionchanges/index.html>

A series of pre implementation workshops was conducted by the NCCH throughout Australia and subsequently the NCCC has established plans for the education and support of users of the classification.

New Zealand is a key user of the ICD-10-AM. It is currently using the sixth edition of the classification for both morbidity and mortality coding. Statistics New Zealand, the Ministry of Health and the Accident Compensation Corporation collaborated to offer two one-day workshops in August 2010 to describe the uses made of ICD-10-AM for the coding of hospital and death certificate data in New Zealand. The workshops were aimed at researchers and other users of coded data.

International Classification of Functioning Disability and Health (ICF)

The University of Sydney hosts the Australian ICF Disability and Rehabilitation Research

Program (AIDARRP) led by Ms Ros Madden. Also active in this area are Professor Gwynnyth Llewellyn and Associate Professor Elias Mpofu. Activities in the reporting period include:

- preparation of a submission to a national inquiry into long term care and support, and the preparation of other papers on uses of the ICF;
- fostering and supporting of collaborations on the use of ICF within the University of Sydney in a range of clinical settings and research; and by teaching undergraduates about the ICF;
- collaboration on a publication on the use of ICF to underpin administrative data items (Disability and Rehabilitation, *in press*).
- Publication of a book Mpofu E & Oakland T (2010) *Rehabilitation and Health Assessment: Applying ICF Guidelines* Springer
- Publication of a book on ICF applications to assessment: Mpofu E & Oakland T (2010) (Eds.). *Assessment in rehabilitation and health*: Upper Saddle, NJ: Merrill/Pearson.
- Organization of two symposia on *Implications of the International Classification of Functioning, Disability and Health on Rehabilitation Services* at the 2010 International Congress of Applied Psychology in Melbourne, Australia.

The research team at the University of Sydney is working on a funded project considering the research knowledge, gaps and priorities in disability-inclusive development in the Asia and Pacific region, using the ICF as a key framework.

WHO Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) Classification

The Family Medicine Research Centre is updating a map from the Australian Medicines Terminology (AMT) to the ATC classification on a three monthly basis under contract to the National eHealth Transition Authority. This map facilitates drug utilization studies from drug databases coded in the AMT.

3.2. To promote quality use of WHO-FIC classifications in data collections and data analysis by participating in quality assurance procedures regarding norms for use, training and data collection and application rules

In the past year, research staff at the National Centre for Health Information Research and Training has continued to develop and maintain a strong, priority-driven and collaborative research program that enhances knowledge and promotes effective strategies that address contemporary public-health challenges and contribute to improvements in the quality and utility of routinely collected health data. These projects, supported by competitive research funding, include:

- Improving the measurement and surveillance of child abuse in Queensland
- Developing and enhancing the quality of injury-related hospital morbidity data
- Developing and improving methods for early detection and surveillance of product-related

injuries from routinely collected health data

Publications arising from these activities are available at

<http://www.nchirt.qut.edu.au/research/publications/>

Dr Kirsten McKenzie, Senior Research Fellow at NCHIRT, was awarded a three year Vice Chancellor's Research Fellowship for a program of activity titled Assessing and Improving the Quality of Cross-Sectoral Injury Data for Evidence-Based Policy and Practice.

NCHIRT staff has participated in quality assessment audits for the Queensland state health department's perinatal data collection and for the morbidity collections in day surgery units.

Ms Ros Madden has promoted the quality use of the ICF in data collections nationally and internationally by collaboration on a publication on *Design and quality of ICF-compatible data items for national disability support services* (Disability and Rehabilitation, *in press*).

3.3. To prepare teaching materials, organise and conduct training courses on the implementation and use of members of the WHO-FIC in Australia and WHO regions

NCHIRT has continued its international training activities and conducted the following courses in the past twelve months:

Year	Day/ Month	Course Details	Course Contractor	Location	Participating Countries	Trainers
2010	27 August	Overview of ICD-10 Mortality Coding and ICD-10-AM Morbidity Coding	Australian Bureau of Statistics	Canberra, Australia	Australia	Garry Waller
2010	18 August	Advanced ICD-10 Mortality Coding	Australian Bureau of Statistics	Brisbane, Australia	Australia	Garry Waller
2010	13 August	Overview of ICD-10 Mortality Coding	Australian Bureau of Statistics	Brisbane, Australia	Australia	Garry Waller
2010	21-9 July	ICD-10 Train the Trainer & ICD Morbidity & Mortality Coding Course	Registration Fees	Brisbane, Australia	Australia, Philippines, Malaysia, Vietnam, Vanuatu, Fiji	Garry Waller Sue Walker
2010	7-11 June	ICD-10 Mortality and Morbidity Coding	Ministry of Health, Samoa	Apia, Samoa	Samoa	Sue Walker
2010	4-7 May	Cancer Registry Training	World Health Organization (WPRO)	Brisbane, Australia	Pacific Island Countries & Territories	Sue Walker
2010	20-22 April	Introduction to Medical Terminology, ICD-10 Mortality Coding and ICD-10-AM Morbidity Coding and Cancer Coding	Australian Institute of Health & Welfare	Canberra, Australia	Australia	Garry Waller
2010	19-26 March	Medical terminology and ICD-10 coding training	Ministry of Health and Medical	Solomon Islands	Solomon Islands	Sue Walker

2009	25-26 November	Introduction to the basics of Medical Terminology & Morbidity & Mortality Coding	Services Australian Institute of Health & Welfare (AIHW), Canberra	Canberra, Australia	Australia	Garry Waller
2009	4-5 November	ICD-10 update training workshop for users of Mortality and Morbidity Coding	Department of Health, Hong Kong	Kowloon, Hong Kong	Hong Kong	Sue Walker

Ms Sue Walker, NCHIRT Director, continued to support the development of the ICD-10 eLearning Tool and coordinated field trials of the training tool by former NCHIRT students.

AIDARRP staff, led by Ms Ros Madden, have participated in the writing of an ICF Overview for use by WHO and coordinated testing of the ICF eLearning tool at the University of Sydney by staff, students and people with a disability.

3.4. To improve member classifications, both locally and through WHO structures by studying aspects related to the structure, interpretations and application of members of the WHO-FIC including those concerning taxonomy, linguistics, terminology and nomenclature

The Family Medicine Research Centre (FMRC) at the University of Sydney has been contracted by the National eHealth Transition Authority (NEHTA) to develop the design phase for an Australian General Practice subset of SNOMED CT and to map the subset to ICPC-2. This part of the project should be completed by the end of September 2010. Further work to develop the subset and map should commence before the end of 2010.

The FMRC has also signed a contract with the International Health Terminology Standards Development Organization (IHTSDO) for the first phase of a project to develop an international Family Medicine/General Practice (FM/GP) sub-set of SNOMED CT which will be mapped to ICPC-2. This follows finalization of an agreement between the IHTSDO and World Organization of Family Doctors (Wonca) in October 2009.

The FMRC has been collating primary care term subsets in different forms from various international sources. These will form the basis for the development of the subset of SNOMED CT and the map to ICPC-2. The FMRC has two representatives on the IHTSDO International Family/General Practice Special Interest Group (PCSIG) which has developed the project plan for the FM/GP subset and map to ICPC-2. The work will be supervised by the IHTSDO IFP/GP RefSet and ICPC Mapping Project Group. Ms J O'Halloran of the FMRC is the Project Manager for this development program.

Other Australian efforts have been dedicated to migrating non-standard, locally developed, interface termsets (such as those used in general and family medical practices, emergency departments or community care) to SNOMED CT. This is terminology to terminology mapping. It produces more meaningful mapped results and supports implementation of SNOMED CT in clinical information systems, preserving the clinical meaning and descriptions for use by clinicians

in delivering care, referring patients and co-ordinating their care. The AIHW and the National eHealth Transition Authority (NeHTA) are collaborating on the following projects:

- Terminology Reference Sets for Emergency Department Care (SNOMED-CT AU ED RefSet) – focussed on usability of the ED Reference Set for providing national statistical information for why patients present to Emergency Departments (Reason for Encounter, Presenting Problems) and what’s wrong with them? (ED Principal Diagnosis)
- Terminology Reference Set for General Practice (SNOMED-CT AU GPreRefSet) – focused on proving national statistical data in why people present to general practice facilities – (Reason for Encounter, Presenting Problems).

A project to map SNOMED-CT AU to cervical cancer codes used in the National Cervical Screening Program is currently being scoped.

Ms Tracy Thompson and Mr Ted Cizadlo from the Ministry of Health represent New Zealand on the IHTSDO Mapping Special Interest Group.

3.5. To contribute to the development of methodologies for the use of the WHO-FIC to facilitate the measurement of health status, interventions and outcomes

3.6. To develop the family of health classifications, its scope and criteria for membership and including new members such as health interventions, external causes of injury and primary care;

International Classification of Health Interventions (ICHI)

Richard Madden, as Chair of the Family Development committee, has led the development activities relating to the International Classification of Health Interventions.

International Classification of Primary Care, Version 2 (ICPC-2)

The Australian General Practice Statistics and Classification Centre (AGPSCC) is a collaborating unit of the AIHW and the Family Medical Research Centre (FMRC), University of Sydney. The FMRC is the distributor of ICPC-2 in Australia on behalf of the World Organisation of Family Doctors (Wonca). Three senior staff in the FMRC are members of the Wonca International Classification Committee, one being a member of its Executive. ICPC-2 is installed in approximately 450 General Practitioner (GP) practices (reaching up to 2500 GPs). Data are entered by the clinicians into available software through an interface terminology developed in Australia (known as ICPC-2 Plus) by the FMRC and each term is automatically classified to ICPC-2. ICPC-2 is also used (in conjunction with the Plus terminology) by all Community Health Services in the Northern Territory, by Government employed Allied Health professionals in Western Australia, and in many Indigenous health services in other states of Australia.

The Royal Australian College of General Practitioners is using ICPC-2 to classify College examination content at the Chapter level, all post-graduate educational activity at a more detailed level, the content of the papers in the Australian Family Physician, the official journal of the Royal Australian College of General Practitioners; vocational training materials, continuing medical education (CME) materials, and conference papers.

A key project of the AGPSCC, known as BEACH (Bettering the Evaluation and Care of Health), is the continuous national study of general practice activity in Australia. It uses ICPC-2 (in conjunction with the Plus terminology) for classification and reporting of patient' reasons for encounter (RFE); problems managed; pathology and imaging orders, clinical treatments, procedures, referrals, and administrative processes. BEACH is now in its 13th year and the database includes more than 1.2 million records of patient encounters with more than 8,000 individual GPs.

A meeting of the Wonca International Classification Committee (WICC) was held in Florianopolis, Brazil in November 2009. Planning for the major revision of ICPC-2 into ICPC-3 was advanced. Sub-groups of WICC are actively planning development of various sections of ICPC-3. Revision of the classification structure should be complete in the next six months, with a major aim to align ICPC with the ICD while both classifications are under revision.

WHO Anatomical Therapeutic Chemical (ATC) Classification

The FMRC has completed a mapping of the Australian Medicines Terminology (AMT), which is SNOMED CT based, to the WHO ATC classification, and is responsible for quarterly updates of the map. This map will facilitate drug utilization studies from drug databases coded in the AMT.

3.7. To support the work of the WHO-FIC committees and reference groups established to assist WHO in the development, testing, implementation, use, improvement, updating and revision of the members of the WHO-FIC Committees

Appendix 1 details Australian representation on the WHO-FIC committees and reference groups.

Morbidity Reference Group (MbRG)

Kerry Innes (National Casemix and Classification Centre) is co-chair of the MbRG and Julie Rust (NCCH until 30.6.10) is the secretary. The MbRG met in October 2009 and March 2010, with work ongoing via the WHO revision platform and email correspondence in between meetings

As per the 2009/2010 workplan, the main focus of the work over the past year was the systematic review of the ICD-10 volume 2 morbidity coding rules. Six rules were revised and drafts have been submitted to the Update and Revision Committee for consideration at the October 2010 WHO-FIC Network meeting.

The complex area of code assignment and rules surrounding postprocedural complications was discussed in depth, with responses to coding scenarios provided by the various member countries. As a result, a summary of recommendations was drafted, which will inform the work on coding rules on this topic.

A number of other rules, in particular 'presenting problem and underlying cause' are still under discussion, however due to the proposed changes for the MbRG, ie subsumed by the Morbidity Topic Advisory Group (MbTAG), this work will have to be handed over to another group/committee.

There was further refinement of the definition of main condition for ICD-11 and the final draft was submitted to WHO following the March 2010 meeting.

Mortality Reference Group

Sue Walker (NCHIRT) participated in the mid year meeting of the MRG in Cologne in February. The group discussed the ongoing need for maintenance of the ICD-10 coding rules and decisions, in addition to preparations for ICD-11.

Electronic Tools Committee

Mr Young Tjoa, Systems Manager, NCCC (previously NCCH), assisted in the development of a database to manage the activities of the Morbidity Reference Group and has been active in discussions relating to CTK-Birch for maintenance of the ICD-10 and its support products.

Functioning and Disability Reference Group

Ros Madden participated in and supported the FDRG work on establishing update ICF procedures, and has supported the ongoing work on updates in the lead-up to the annual URC meeting 2010. The also supported the development of ICD-11 work by participating actively in the January 2010 iCAMP and its documentation, and in accepting membership of the fTAG.

Education and Implementation Committee

Sue Walker has actively participated in the work of this committee. Regular teleconferences of the committee have been held, as well as a face to face meeting in Cologne in February-March 2010.

Family Development Committee (FDC)

Professor Richard Madden is co-chair of the FDC and Ms Megan Cumerlato is the secretary. The FDC met in October 2009, March 2010 and again in July 2010. The main work continues to be the development of ICHI and other areas of the FDC as outlined below:

ICHI: Since the WHO-FIC Annual meeting in October 2009, where draft axes and the content model were presented, the FDC has continued work on the development of an alpha version of ICHI. At the March 2010 meeting in Cologne work continued in this area of development to further refine the ICHI coding structure with committee members participating in a mapping exercise to map 100 intervention codes from their own respective intervention classifications to the ICHI structure.

At the July 2010 ICHI workshop the mapping exercise was discussed with further changes being made to the ICHI coding structure based on feedback received. The group will further refine and develop some of these decision points and present the revised axes and a sample of the ICHI classification at the forthcoming WHO-FIC meeting.

Health Services: Discussions regarding role of WHO and the development of a Health Services Classification were held at the WHO-FIC Meeting in New Delhi 2008 and continued in 2009. The OECD, WHO and Eurostat are revising the System of Health Accounts (SHA). Professor Richard Madden has provided input to this revision process. The classifications developed (Health Functions, Health Providers and Health Financing) will be able to be considered for inclusion in WHO-FIC. Comment will be sought from FDC on these classifications as they are developed within the SHA revision.

Patient Safety: WHO made a full presentation on ICPS arrangements and progress in Cologne. It is planned that a substantive discussion will occur at the Annual meeting.

Traditional Medicine: Peter de Smet, Chair of the Interventions TAG for Traditional Medicine and Chair of ATC/DDD for WHO, provided an update at the July meeting of the FDC. The first meeting on ICTM development had been held in Hong Kong in May 2010. Richard Madden attended. Peter had been appointed Chair of the ICTM Interventions Technical Advisory Group (TAG). The TAG had agreed with Peter's proposal that the interventions section of ICTM should align with ICHI and from the discussions in Hong Kong a number of proposals emerged for the ICHI content model

3.8. To establish networks with current and potential users of the WHO-FIC and act as a reference centre (eg clearing house for good practice guidelines and the resolution of problems) for information about the WHO-FIC and other health-related classifications

The ACC consists of a network of classification experts working in various universities and organizations throughout Australia. As the coordinating body, the AIHW hosts annual meetings of the ACC and promotes information sharing amongst members and organizations.

3.9. To assist the WHO Headquarters and the Regional Office in the preparation of members of the WHO-FIC and other relevant materials in the English language and to act as a reference centre for that language on all matters related to the WHO-FIC

The NCHIRT, through its conduct of international training courses in the Western Pacific Region, has a wide network of contacts in health services, hospitals, Ministries of Health and statistical agencies. The Centre supports national ICD trainers through an annual train the trainer program and provides an advisory service for morbidity and mortality coders in the Region.

3.10. To support existing and potential users of the WHO-FIC by establishing Memoranda of Understanding with WHO Regional Offices to assist the implementation of the WHO-FIC classifications throughout the Region (eg WPRO, SEARO and AFRO)

No specific activities have been reported in the period 2009-2010.

3.11. To establish agreements with other Member States, for example, New Zealand, to assist the work of the Australian Centre

New Zealand is an active participant in the work of the ACC, as reported under specific items above. Representatives of the New Zealand Ministry of Health have participated in the development of the ICD-10-AM through participation in the previous Coding Standards Advisory committee and anticipate continuing this role as it is undertaken by the NCCC.

3.12. To present periodic reports of the Centre's activities to the annual meetings of the Heads of WHO Collaborating Centres for the WHO Family of International Classifications

The ACC presents this annual report of the activities of the Centre and its affiliated members during 2009-2010.

3.13. To provide Chairs for the WHO-FIC Committees

The ACC currently provides co-Chairs for the following committees and reference groups:

- Family Development Committee – Professor Richard Madden
- Morbidity Reference Group - Ms Kerry Innes
- Functioning and Disability Reference Group - Ms Ros Madden
- Joint Collaboration – WHO-FIC Education Committee and IFHRO – Ms Sue Walker

Appendix 1: Australian Representation WHO-FIC Network 2009-2010

<i>Committee/Reference Group</i>	<i>Person</i>	<i>Position</i>
WHO-FIC Council	Dr Penny Allbon (to October 2010)	Member
	Ms Jenny Hargreaves (from October 2010)	Member
	Professor Richard Madden	Member
	Ms Ros Madden	Member
	Ms Kerry Innes	Member
Education Committee	Ms Sue Walker	Member
	Ms Ros Madden	Member
Electronic Tools Committee	Mr Young Tjoa	Member
Family Development Committee	Professor Richard Madden	Co-chair
	Ms Kerry Innes	Member
	Ms Megan Cumerlato	Secretary
Implementation Committee	Ms Sue Walker	Member
Update and Revision Committee	Ms Julie Rust (to July 2010)	Member
	Ms Belinda Saad (to July 2010)	Member
	Ms Kerry Innes (from July 2010)	Member
	Ms Anne Elsworthy (from July 2010)	Member
Mortality Reference Group	Ms Sue Walker	Member
Morbidity Reference Group	Ms Kerry Innes	Co-chair
	Ms Julie Rust (to July 2010)	Secretary
	Ms Jenny Hargreaves	Member
Functioning and Disability Reference Group	Ms Ros Madden	Co-chair
	Mr Gordon Tomes	Member
Terminology Reference Group	Mr Gordon Tomes	Member
IHTSDO-WHO Harmonisation Panel	Dr Penny Allbon	Member

Revision Steering Group	Professor James Harrison	Member
	Professor Richard Madden	Member
Topic Advisory Groups	(Australians but not necessarily ACC nominees)	
Dermatology	Pablo Fernandez Penas	Member
	Peter Soyer	Member
Injuries & External Causes	James Harrison	Chair
	Adam Harrison	Managing Editor
	Kirsten McKenzie	Member
	Belinda Gabbe	Member
	Louisa Degenhardt	Member
Internal Medicine	Julie Rust	Managing Editor
	Andrew Tonkin (Cardiovascular)	Member
	Geoffrey Farrell (Hepatology & pancreatobiliary)	Member
	G Becket (Nephrology)	Member
Mental Health	Gavin Andrews	Member
	Assen Jablensky	Member
Muculoskeletal	Peter Brooks (Rheumatology)	Member
Rare Diseases	Julie McGaughran	Member