All previous editions are available to view on the PICANet website along with other useful documents and information. Please contact the team if you have comments or suggestions on picanet@leeds.ac.uk

## PICANet ANNUAL MEETING 2018

The 2018 PICANet Annual Meeting was hosted at College Court in Leicester on Thursday 8th November 2018.

PICANet would like to thank everyone who was involved in the Annual Meeting.
PICANet received great feedback from delegates who attended the day, we are glad you were able to attend. Information about the day, including guest speakers and some of the presentations have been made available on the PICANet website Annual Meeting Pages.

## 2018 PICANet ANNUAL REPORT

The 2018 Annual report covering the reporting periods 01 January 2015 to 31 December 2017 is now available on the PICANet website, along with previous years in our annual report archive.

## STAFFING STUDY 2018

Information about unit nursing and medical establishment and staffing is collected annually and this year data collection took place the week commencing November 19th. Data collection sheets are sent to the Lead Nurse and the Lead Clinician in all units. We thank those who have returned the completed data sheets promptly.

Data from the 2017 annual survey is reported in the 2018 PICANet Annual Report.

## PICANET STAFF

PICANet is currently in the process of appointing a new statistician at Leeds, as Melpo Kapetanstrataki returned to Greece to take up a new post in early November, taking her away from PICANet.
We would like to wish Melpo all the best for the future and thank her for her value and support over the past three years.
PICANet hope to have a new member of the team very soon, however please be aware that until a new appointment is made there may be a delay in the provision of data and data request processing.

## PICANET DATA REQUESTS

Ofran Almossawi Initially did a project as part of her MSc med stats at LSHTM. Her project used 11 years of PICANet data for infants 0-12 months. Ofran's results showed higher admission rates for boys but higher within PICU mortality for girls. The variables available in the dataset did not explain the difference in mortality. Ofran extended the project in an attempt to identify possible reasons for the mortality difference as part of an NIHR Clinical Doctoral Research Fellowship award. She has been informed that this has now been successful, and will involve collaboration with Prof Bianca De Stavola, Dr Katie Harron, Dr Simon Nadel and the PICANet team through Richard Feltbower. Prior to that, Ofran received help with the data and formulation of her project from members of the PICANet Team- Roger Parslow and Melpo. Ofran said '(They) offered me enormous assistance in getting the data for the MSc project.' PICANet would like to wish Ofran every success and look forward to reviewing her final outcomes.

If you would like to apply for the use of PICANet data to support a proposed project you are involved in, please visit the PICANet Website Data Request page.

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

- Steering Group Meeting, London- 17th January 2019
- Clinical Advisory Group Meeting, Birmingham- April 2019

*season's greetings*