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A note from the Editor

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The editorial team of Communicable Diseases Intelligence (CDI) would like to wish all our readers and contributors a very Merry Christmas, and all the best for 1998.

This is the last issue of CDI for 1997. We would like to express our thanks to all those who have contributed articles, surveillance reports, correspondence, commentaries, editorials, outbreak reports and data to CDI during 1997. We would also like to thank the article reviewers for their valued time and expert comment.

Many changes have occurred in 1997. In January, CDI achieved MEDLINE listing and introduced the new cover and content design. The maintenance of the subscription list and mailing operations was outsourced to the Canberra Mailing Centre. We expanded the existing CDI internet site which provides easy on-line access to current and former issues of CDI. It now also includes data from the National Notifiable Diseases Surveillance System as well as other information about communicable diseases in Australia and overseas, including a disease outbreak page. Australian notifiable diseases data continues to be updated fortnightly on the web page, but in October CDI moved from a 2-weekly to a 4-weekly production schedule. This longer production cycle will allow us to develop CDI into an even better and more informative journal for our readers. The first issue for 1998 will be published on 22 January, after which we will provide further information about some exciting new developments for CDI.