

NOMINEES – CACCN BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2011-2013

Central Region



Karen Dryden Palmer

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Position

Advance Practice Nurse Educator

Employer

Hospital for Sick Children

Nominated by:

Ingrid Daley, Mary Ann Nelson and Michelle Cleland

Critical Care Experience: 25 years Paediatric Critical Care Bedside Nurse, Resource Nurse Rapid Response Team Member, Bereavement Coordinator, Project Coordinator for Long Term Care of technologically dependent critically ill children, clinical educator, advanced practice nurse educator, clinical nurse specialist.

I am humbled by the opportunity to take on the challenge and responsibility of membership on the Board of Directors of the Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses. I will strive to contribute to a professional environment which supports excellence in critical care nursing practice and the advancement of the specialty of critical care nursing in Canada. The role of the critical care nurse is ever evolving; therefore I am committed to providing our membership with the tools, information and advocacy which contribute to the development of critical care nursing expertise.

Foundational to my work as Paediatric Consultant and then President of the Toronto Chapter is my desire to heighten the profile of critical care nursing at local, national and international venues. I will seek to lead in initiatives which advance expertise and best practice in all domains of care. Critical Care nursing is also the provision of mutually participatory patient and family centered practice, the recognition of nurse sensitive outcomes of critical illness and forwarding the voice of the critical care nurse in the creation of health policy and administration of health care resources.

I have been committed to the specialty of critical care for 20 years. I will continue in every capacity to work towards Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses' objectives and build a foundation of our shared future.