

Awards presented at Dynamics 2018—Calgary, AB

The CACCN Awards Ceremony was held on September 25, 2018, at the Dynamics of Critical Care Conference™ to recognize and applaud the outstanding accomplishments and achievements of our critical care nursing colleagues.

The awards ceremony was hosted by Mélanie Gauthier, Vice-President/Chair of the Partner Relations Committee. Mélanie was assisted during the ceremony by Katherine Bouwmeester, President and Sarah Crowe, Treasurer/Director/Co-Chair of the Professional Development Committee.

The ceremony offers CACCN the opportunity to recognize the accomplishments of our CACCN members and to thank our corporate partners for their support and contribution to critical care nursing and our fourteen chapters. Without the support of our partners, it would be difficult to support the awards presented. Thank you to BBraun Medical of Canada, Draeger Medical Canada, Philips Healthcare, Sage Products and Spacelabs Healthcare for their continued support of the CACCN Awards and Recognition program.

As well, the ceremony offers CACCN the opportunity to recognize and thank the CACCN members who reviewed the award applications/nominations. These members reviewed the awards requiring adjudication by award rubric: Brenda Morgan Leadership Excellence, Canadian ICU Week Spotlight Challenge*, Spacelabs Healthcare Innovative Project*, Research Grant*, and the Sage Poster Bursary*. Their expertise is invaluable to the review process:

- Peter Anderst (AB)
- Sarah Crowe (BC)
- Lissa Currie (MB)
- Erinn Guy (NS)
- Pam Hruska (AB)
- Shirley Marr (ON)
- Brenda Morgan (ON)
- Paula Price (AB)
- Brandi Vanderspank-Wright (ON)
- Mat Wenger (AB)

* blind review by award review committees

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Chapter of the Year Award

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- Montréal Chapter



Evelyne Dufresne, Montréal Chapter President, Karine Allard, Montréal Chapter Past President, Gerry West, Sales Specialist, Philips Canada and Amanda DiFlorio, Montréal Chapter Education Coordinator

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Teresa Robitaille, Toronto Chapter Secretary, Tricia Adams, Marketing Manager, Hospital Wide Solutions, Draeger Medical Canada, and Ingrid Daley, Toronto Chapter Education Coordinator/Past-President

Honourable Mention

- British Columbia Chapter

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Sage Products Poster Bursary

- **Emily Boorman** (*recipient*) and **Caroline Penner**, Fort Langley, BC

Poster title: Did your patient get their sleep? Improving sleep for patients in the adult intensive care unit (ICU).



Brandi Vanderspank-Wright, CACCN Director/Chair, Professional Development, Emily Boorman and Katherine Bouwmeester, CACCN President

Emily’s poster presented information about a quality improvement project aimed at improving sleep in the adult intensive care unit (ICU). Assessment tools to identify sleep disturbance were presented. Nursing interventions and environmental modifications were also presented as strategies to promote normal circadian rhythm and reduce sleep disturbances.

Thank you to Sage Products for their ongoing support of the Poster Bursary.



Spacelabs Innovative Project Award

First Place

- **Susan Bello**, Burnaby, BC

Project title: Augmentative and Alternative Communication



Vininder Kour Bains, British Columbia Chapter President, accepting on behalf of Susan Bello, Bob Brooks, General Manager, Spacelabs Healthcare and Maria Mia Marles, Chapter Member

Second Place

- **Daniel Milhomme and Frédéric Banville**, Lévis, QC

Project title: Clinical Surveillance Processes in Critical Care Assisted by Technology: Immersion in the Virtual Intensive Care Unit (VICU)



Evelyne Dufresne, Montréal Chapter President, accepting on behalf of Daniel Milhomme and Frédéric Banville, and Bob Brooks, General Manager, Spacelabs Healthcare

Thank you to Spacelabs Healthcare for their ongoing support of the Spacelabs Innovative Project Awards.

CACCN Awards

Brenda Morgan Leadership Excellence Award

- **Lara Parker**, Port Moody, BC

Nominated by: Michelle House-Kokan, Debbi Beukes, Petra Davis and Jasmine Yong



Sarah Crowe, CACCN Treasurer/Director/Chair, Professional Development Committee, Brenda Morgan, Lara Parker and Katherine Bouwmeester, CACCN President

“...Lara is an innovative and visionary leader. The essence of “great” leadership is effective management of oneself and others in response to a variety of situations, therefore it is essential that leaders manage their emotional response to a

variety of situations and others' actions. How staff members perceive managers is critical to any organization's recruitment and retention efforts. No matter what a day brings, Lara consistently demonstrates honesty, integrity, and optimism. She is an excellent communicator who is receptive to others and who is motivational, fair, approachable, and empowering..."

Canadian Intensive Care Week Spotlight Challenge Award

- **Karen Dryden-Palmer** and the **2018 ICU Week Steering Committee**, Hospital for Sick Children, Toronto, ON

This year is the 50th anniversary of the Hospital for Sick Children critical care program. Karen and her steering committee have expanded the scope of their ICU week celebration to highlight the history of critical care at Sick Kids, by engaging their clinical, research, and education teams to reflect and celebrate their 50-year legacy of practice, education, and research innovation. The committee approached this as an opportunity to reflect on pediatric critical care's unique contributions to child health and family well-being and are pleased to partner with the Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses and others to create and provide a stimulating and informative Intensive Care Week agenda.

Education Awards

Fall 2017

- **Margie Burns**, Vernon Bridge, PE
Educational Program: Doctor of Philosophy – Nursing, University of Saskatchewan
- **Lynne James**, Penticton, BC
Educational Program: Master of Nursing and Master of Science in Health Information, University of Victoria



Brandi Vanderspank-Wright, CACCN Director/Chair, Professional Development, Vininder Kour Bains, British Columbia Chapter President, accepting on behalf of Lynne James, Katherine Bouwmeester, CACCN President and Sarah Crowe, CACCN Treasurer/Director/Chair, Professional Development Committee

Winter 2018

- **Matthew Douma**, Edmonton, AB
Educational Program: PhD in Nursing and Health Services, University College Dublin



Brandi Vanderspank-Wright, CACCN Director/Chair, Professional Development, Sarah Crowe, CACCN Treasurer/Director/Chair, Professional Development Committee, Castro Arias, Greater Edmonton Chapter President, accepting on behalf of Matthew Douma, and Katherine Bouwmeester, CACCN President

Research Grant

- **Brandi Vanderspank-Wright, Nikolaos Efstathiou, Amanda Vandyk, Jesse Delaney, Aimee Sarti and James Downar**, Ottawa, ON

Research project: Withdrawal of mechanical ventilation at the end-of-life in ICU: A systematic review exploring process, procedures and perceptions of practices



Sarah Crowe, CACCN Treasurer/Director/Chair, Professional Development Committee, Brandi Vanderspank-Wright and Katherine Bouwmeester, CACCN President

Dynamics 2018 Poster Awards

Delegate Choice

- **Rosetta Antonacci, Elaine Doucette, Lia Sanzone, Annie Chevrier, Jamie-Lee Potter, Arzu Bugra, Madeline Spencer and Ryan Hendrick**, Montréal, QC

Poster title: Stepping Up: Supporting critical care nurses in advocating for their patients with a mental health illness in a critical care setting

Delegate Choice

- **Sherry Campbell and Laurie Mason**, Newcastle, ON
Poster title: Blue Butterfly: An Interprofessional approach for supporting palliative and withdrawal of life support in critical care

We extend our congratulations to all award recipients and a thank you for the continued support of our sponsors.

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