The Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses is pleased to bring you this monthly e-newsletter to keep you informed of the latest association news, educational resources, and events.

**THOUGHT FOR THE MONTH:**  ~~Nursing comes in many forms. Sometimes it is the ability to make someone feel physically comfortable by various means. Other times it is the ability to improve the body’s ability to achieve or maintain health. But often it is an uncanny yet well honed knack to see beyond the obvious and address, in some way, the deeper needs of the human soul.~~  Donna Wilk Cardillo, A Daybook for Beginning Nurses

**MEET YOUR CACCN BOARD OF DIRECTORS - April 1, 2014 to March 31, 2015**

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**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS: CACCN Board of Directors - April 1, 2015 - March 31, 2017**

- The Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses is seeking interested members of the Association to serve as Directors on the National Board of Directors for a two year period from April 1, 2015 to March 31, 2017.
- Nominations from the following regions are currently being accepted:
  - Western Region - one position available
  - Central Region - one position available
  - Easter Region - one position available
- This information has been revised from the initial Call for Nominations in the Spring 2014 Dynamics Journal and on the CACCN website
- Elections will take place at the CACCN Annual General Meeting on September 21, 2014 in conjunction with Dynamics 2014, Quebec City, QC
- Please visit [About CACCN](#) for nomination criteria and additional information
• Watch for the Summer Abstract edition of Dynamics: Journal of the CACCN including the Dynamics 2014 Conference Flyer to arrive in May 2014
• Conference Tuition Fees - online registration/brochure are scheduled to be available June 3, 2014
• Travel and Accommodation Information - book accommodation early!
• Who's registered to Exhibit - plan to visit our exhibitors and sponsors. Without their support, we would not be able to offer a high calibre conference!
• Interested in a Tour? - while in Quebec City?

CACCN AWARDS

**Deadline June 1, 2014** -- Start planning now to submit your application / nomination for the following CACCN Awards:

- Spacelabs Innovative Project Award > **Prix des projets novateurs Spacelabs**
- Cardinal Health "Chasing Excellence" Award > **Prix d’excellence Cardinal Health**
- BBraun "Sharing Expertise" Award > **Prix BBraun du partage de l’expertise**
- Brenda Morgan Leadership Excellence Award > **Prix d’excellence en leadership Brenda Morgan**

CACCN CHAPTERS

• Featured chapter for May: [Vancouver Island Chapter](#)

• Upcoming Chapter Events:
  - **Montreal Chapter:** "The Quarterly: Multiple Trauma in the PICU" - April 25, 2014
  - **Ottawa Chapter:** Education Day - June 7, 2014 - stay tuned for more information!
  - **Toronto Chapter:** Evolutions Conference - May 7, 2014 - [more information](#)

CERTIFICATION

• Congratulations to all critical care nurses who wrote the critical care certification examination on April 5, 2014.
• Planning to renew your certification via continuous learning credits? CNA has extended the deadline to May 31, 2014.
  - Visit [CNA Certification](#) for more information.
  - Questions about your Certification application? Please call CNA Certification at (613) 237-2133 or 1-800-361-8404

RESOURCES AND ARTICLES

• American Journal of Critical Care (AJCC)
  - Arterial Catheter Setup for Glucose Control in Critically Ill Patients: A Randomized Controlled Trial (March)
  - Depressed or Not Depressed: Untangling Symptoms of Depression in Patients Hospitalized With Coronary Heart Disease (March)

• American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN)
  - Webinar: Choosing Wisely in Critical Care: Nurses Taking Action - May 1, 2014 - 10 am PT - [register now](#)
Practice Alert:  Family Presence: Visitation in the Adult ICU
AACN Practice Alerts:  click here
Critical Care E-Newsletter:  Current and Past Issues
AACN Bold Voices:  Current and Past Issues
Healthy Work Environment Assessment Tool

Canadian Nurses Protective Society
- Website
- The Legal Pulse Newsletter

Critical Care Medicine
- "The Association Between Renal Replacement Therapy Modality and Long-Term Outcomes Among Critically Ill Adults With Acute Kidney Injury: A Retrospective Cohort Study"
- "Troponin Elevation in Severe Sepsis and Septic Shock: The Role of Left Ventricular Diastolic Dysfunction and Right Ventricular Dilatation"

Critical Care Nurse
- "Pathophysiological Relationships Between Heart Failure and Depression and Anxiety" (April)

New England Journal of Medicine
- A Randomized Trial of Protocol-Based Care for Early Septic Shock (March)

SPEACS-2 Communication Skills Training Program
- The Ohio State University, College of Nursing, Columbus, OH
- The SPEACS-2 program includes web-based communication training for nurses, resources to use with patients and bedside teaching rounds provided by a speech pathologist.
- The program improves nurses' knowledge, comfort and satisfaction in communicating with mechanically ventilated patients.
- This program offers a 60 minute self-guided program, references, resource information, implementation techniques/tips/tools, as well as a downloadable pocket reference guide.
- SPEACS-2 - LEARN MORE

Western Journal of Nursing Research
- "Interdisciplinary Rounds and Structured Communication Reduce Re-Admissions and Improve Some Patient Outcomes"

WHO
- "Guidelines for the Screening, Care and Treatment of Persons With Hepatitis C Infection"

CACCN PARTNERS

American Association of Critical-Care Nurses (AACN)
- NTI 2014 – Denver, CO - May 17-22 - Learn more and find everything you need to register and start planning!  Click here
- Attending NTI? Visit CACCN at Booth # 1266!

Canadian Critical Care Society
- Letter to Fifth Estate, CBC from Claudio Martin, President regarding the broadcast of "Dead Enough" regarding organ donation.
- CCCS FB Page

Canadian Nurses Association
- NurseOne
- CNA Annual Meeting and Biennial 2014: June 16 to 18, 2014...more info

Canadian Patient Safety Institute (CPSI) / Safer Healthcare Now! (SHn)
- Stop Clean Your Hands Day! May 5, 2014 - for more information, visit CPSI
- The Ghost of Healthcare Consciousness
- CPSI Research Results:  click here
• Canadian Critical Care Trials Group (CCCTG)
  o Programs

• Critical Care Nutrition
  o Webinar: PEP uP Collaborative: May 14, 2014 - 1200 EST
  o What is the PEP uP Collaborative?
  o How to participate in the PEP uP Collaborative?

• Institute for Safe Medication Practices Canada (ISMPC)
  o Website - English / French

• World Federation of Critical Care Nurses (WFCCN)
  o Connect - WFCCN Journal
  o WFCCN Newsletter

• World Federation of Pediatric and Critical Care Societies (WFPICCS)
  o Paediatric Critical Care Journal
  o Projects
  o Newsletters
  o Join the LinkedIn Group

OTHER CONFERENCES AND EVENTS

• Visit the Other Conferences and Events page for information on the following:
  o WFPICCS - 7th World Congress on Pediatric Intensive and Critical Care - Istanbul, TK, May 4 - 7, 2014
  o Canadian Critical Care Review - June 5 to 6, 2014
  o BAACN 29th Annual Conference - Developing a Leading Edge in Critical Care - Cardiff Wales - September 8 - 9, 2014
  o Music Care Conference - October 25, 2014
  o CCCF - Toronto, ON - October 29 - November 1, 2014
  o WFCCN - World Congress - Antalya, TK - November 13 - 16, 2014
  o 2nd ESPEN Workshop, Lipids in the ICU - November 23 - 24, 2014

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