



CRITICAL CONNECTIONS



CACCN TORONTO CHAPTER NEWSLETTER

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Chapter of the Year Award goes to.....

Toronto



Ingrid Daley President of the CACCN Toronto Chapter is accepting the award on behalf of the chapter at Dynamics 2011 in London, Ontario

The CACCN Toronto Chapter Executive is pleased to announce that the CACCN has awarded Chapter of the Year to the Toronto Chapter. The announcement was made at the annual Dynamics Conference in London, Ontario in October. It was a great surprise and accomplishment to everyone involved here in Toronto. The award is granted to chapters in recognition of the effort, contributions and dedication of a chapter of CACCN in carrying out the purposes and goals of the association. The Toronto Chapter has been dedicated to empower our chapter members through education and networking to advocate for the critical care nurse. Not only did we win Chapter of the Year Award, several of our chapter members are recipients of various awards offered from the CACCN. On behalf of the Executive Officers and our members congratulations to the following recipients.

Spacelabs Innovative Project Award: First Place: Elizabeth Gordon, Brenda Ridley, Janine Boston and Eileen Dahl, Toronto, ON ~ "The Building Bridges Initiative"

Smiths Medical Educational Award Fall 2010: Marie Aue, Markham, ON ~ Central Michigan University Master of Arts in Education program

Winter 2011: Ingrid Daley, Mississauga, ON ~ Master of Nursing Program, York University

The Guardian Scholarship: The Baxter Corporation Award for Excellence in Patient Care ~ Orla Smith, Cecilia Santiago, Maria Teresa Diston and Karen Wannamaker, Toronto, ON ~ "Enhancing Delirium Awareness and Recognition in the MSICU: An Evidence-based Patient Safety and Quality Improvement Initiative"

The Guardian Scholarship: The Baxter Corporation Award for Excellence in Patient Care ~ Elena Luk, Louise Rose, Lisa Burry, Marc M Perreault, David Williamson and Barbara Sneyers, Toronto, ON ~ "Physical Restraint Use In Canadian ICUs"

BBraun "Sharing Expertise" Award: Cecilia St. George-Hyslop, Newcastle, ON ~ Nominated by: Lori Liske

2011 CNCC(C) and CNCCP(C) Draw Prize Recipients (\$250 each): Adult Initial Certification ~ Gaganpreet Suri, Brampton, ON and Adult Re-certification ~ Patricia Connick, Bracebridge, ON

"Talk of the Town" Poster Awards: Runner Up: Linda Nusdorfer and Art J Lopez, Toronto, ON ~ Challenges of Nursing Morbidly Obese Patients in Critical Care: A Growing Problem

Once again congratulations and let's continue the great work!

Fall 2011

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Message from the President Ingrid Daley RN

The Year 2011 has been a busy, productive & successful year for the Toronto Chapter.; Evolutions 2011 Conference was a success, many of our chapter members won numerous awards and several members presented by poster or oral presentations locally and nationally and of course if you have not heard the Toronto Chapter was awarded Chapter of the Year at the Dynamics 2011 Conference in London, ON. Our Chapter was recipient of a Plaque & cash award of \$500.00 which has been deposited into our Chapter account. Moving forward we need to work together to retain & recruit members for our Chapter. We have lost some membership and we will be calling members who have not renewed or have just forgotten to renew to ask what it is the Executive can do to gain back your support.

Looking ahead in the New Year the Executive Committee members will be upgrading our Webpage to a more user friendly site for better usability and functionality. The new webpage will offer all current events occurring in our Chapter, locally and Nationally. The webpage will offer links to our Newsletters, Minutes from our monthly meetings, Face-book and other wonderful updates. We have a great year planned with our Annual Evolutions Conference and Educational workshops in preparation for the CNA Critical Care Certification exam on Saturday April 21st, 2012. We know funds are limited and time is demanding for all of us between family and work, so we are in the process of developing and working at offering on-line educational updates for better accessibility to gaining your knowledge and CE credits. We want to hear from our members and non-members either through offering your voice through our newsletter, which is distributed quarterly, or face-book or e-mailing me at Ingrid.daley@uhn.ca

We as critical care nurses are a dynamic force with strong voices that need to be heard, please support your Executive committee in attending the best educational session, updates, and issues surrounding current trends in critical care.

Please continue to support our Chapter and encourage all your colleagues to join CACCN-Toronto Chapter. As a critical care community we really need to work together and support each other to keep us strong and updated.

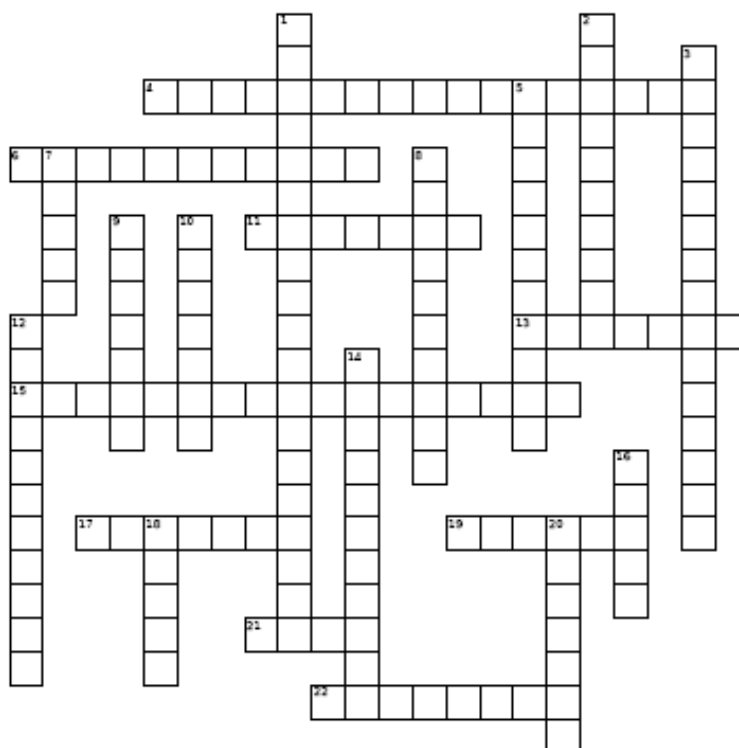
The Toronto Chapter Executive Committee and I are wishing all our Critical Care Nurse members a very Merry Christmas & Happy New Year!!!

“The only real voyage of discovery consists not in seeing new landscapes, but in having new eyes, in seeing the universe with the eyes of another, of hundreds of others, in seeing the hundreds of universes that each of them sees.” Marcel Proust (1871-1922).





CHILDREN ARE DIFFERENT



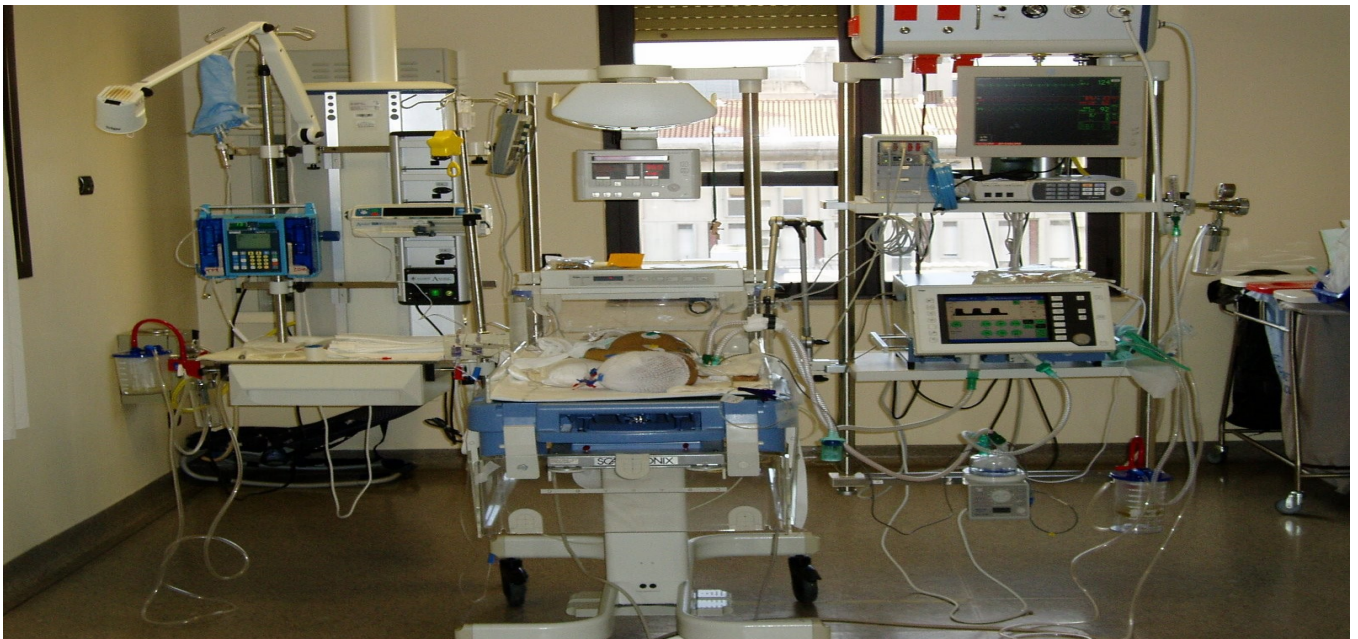
- Across
- 4 The most common arrhythmia in children (2 words)
 - 6 This medication is used to treat symptomatic bradycardia in children
 - 11 If a child does not respond to oxygen therapy this type of congenital defect should be considered
 - 13 This stage of child development results in the greatest physical, intellectual and emotional changes
 - 15 This component of the VAP bundle is not commonly applied to children because it can increase the risk of unplanned extubation (2 words)
 - 17 Misplacement of this point is a common cause of ten-fold medication errors in children
 - 19 This chronic childhood illness is characterized by variable airflow obstruction and hyperreactivity
 - 21 _____ injuries account for 80% of pediatric trauma related deaths
 - 22 A positive response when testing this reflex indicates CNS damage in adults but is normal in infants

- Down
- 1 The number one contributing factor leading to cardiopulmonary arrest in children (2 words)
 - 2 This anatomical difference predisposes children to a higher incidence of head injury (2 words)
 - 3 This approach to care recognizes the importance & constancy of family in a child's life (2 words)
 - 5 This congenital narrowing of the aorta can result in differences between upper and lower limb blood pressure
 - 7 This score is widely used to assess mortality risk in critically ill children
 - 8 A child's cardiac output is largely dependent on this vital sign
 - 9 An infection in this line is the most commonly reported nosocomial infection in PICU
 - 10 The narrowness of this cartilage in children eliminates the need for a cuffed endotracheal tube
 - 12 Children are more likely to occlude their airway because this part of their anatomy is smaller
 - 14 An early sign of decreased cardiac output in children
 - 16 This pain measurement tool should be used to assess a 2 year old child
 - 18 This viral illness results in subglottic obstruction in children
 - 20 A common cause of bradycardia in children



Did You Know?

1. The CNA Critical Care Paediatric Nursing Certification exam was offered for the 1st time in 2003. Development of the exam was done in 2001-2002.
2. Prior to the paediatric nursing certification examination being implemented in 2003, paediatric and adult nurses collaborated to develop the certification examination questions for everyone.
3. Paediatric nurses have always collaborated on the Dynamics Planning committee so that we could plan educational events that met everyone needs.
4. Paediatric nurses have led and collaborated many of the CACCN position statements.
5. Paediatric nurses have held positions on the National Board including the position of President. Note: Past President, Cecilia St. George-Hyslop, current President, Kate Mahon.



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Important Notice to All Members

It has been brought to our attention that there are some members whose contact information is incorrect. In order to stay connected you need to ensure that your email address and other contact numbers are updated on a regular basis. If you or someone you know are not receiving notices from the CACCN or the Toronto Chapter it may be because your contact information is incorrect. Please consult our Member Services Executive Sarah Meadows at sarah.meadows@sickkids.ca or National at <http://www.caccn.ca/>

A message from the Conference Chair

Karen Bennett

Hello Everyone,
Remember Evolutions 2012 is coming up. The program is set, we have excellent speakers with the latest in critical Care Nursing. Look out for the conference brochure at the end of December 2011 or early January 2012 for all the details. Don't worry we will send the brochure to all members via email. I look forward to seeing everybody on Monday April 30, 2012 at Evolutions. Mark it on your calendars!

Announcement from Our Treasurer

Ibrahim Merhi

A financial statement will be provided in the Spring 2012 Newsletter. The Financial Institution that our accounts are secured in has not provided us with the most recent transaction statement to illustrate the merger of our two accounts. This is because the financial consultant we work with has recently left the position and we have been assigned a new consultant who has not provided us with the updated information. We apologize for not getting the document out in a timely manner.

Evolutions 2012 Needs Your Help

Once again we are in need of volunteers for the 2012 Toronto Chapter Evolutions Conference. If anyone is interested in volunteering please contact Karen Bennett-Conference Chair at Karen.Bennett@uhn.ca

Dynamics 2012:Voices of Conviction from Sea to Sky

Vancouver, British Columbia

September 23 to 25, 2012

Are you interested in presenting an oral or poster presentation in critical care; representing your hospital and The Toronto Chapter? The 2012 Dynamics Conference Committee are looking for submissions for oral and poster presentation in the general topic area of clinical practice, education, research and leadership. Submissions are due by January 31st, 2012 @ 23:59 EST. To review the application process please refer to the CACCN website, www.caccn.ca where you can get all the detailed information. The Toronto Chapter executive members encourage everyone to take part.



Call to Action for CACCN members

The Toronto Chapter wanted to bring the recent decision regarding the annual Registered Nursing Examination. It was recently announced that ten of the provincial nursing regulators has selected the National Council of State Boards of Nursing, a US company to partner with the College to administer the Registration Examine rejecting the bid the CNA made. What does this mean to the future of nursing and critical care in Canada?

What can you do as a member of CACCN?

- Send an email or letter to the CNO expressing your concerns
- Take the Poll...log onto CACCN click the link to take the Poll
- Voice your thoughts and/or concerns by linking the President's Blog on the CACCN web site, www.caccn.ca

Lets speak up for the future of Nursing in Canada!

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Sarbatori Fericite!

Mutlu Bayramlar!

Buone Feste

假期愉快

Mele Kalikimaka

Wesołych Świąt

Fijne feestdagen

Boldog Ünnepekert

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Frohe Feiertage

Happy Holidays

Boas Festas!

Felices Fiestas

Vesele Praznike

Eid Sa'eed!

Bonnes vacances!

...from the CACCN Toronto Chapter to You!!

Welcome New and Returning CACCN Toronto Chapter Members!

Update from Sarah Meadows
Toronto Chapter Membership Officer

Thank you to all of you who have renewed your membership or joined as a new member. We welcome you once again and are excited to have you back.

Please join me and the executive members in welcoming the following individuals:

Anita Au, Karen Bennett, Jennifer Berry, Oleg Bindarovich, Dianna Busch, Christine Chaylt, Hermes Clipa, Jim Cotter, Linda Cresswell, Nicole Daigle, Nicole Desmarteaux, Maria Teresa Diston, Sabrina Drepaul Jeethan, Michelle Farah, Nancy Finley, Angela Gagne, Josefa R Inot, Catherine Judd-Moria, Mosayeb Karimi, Frances Kortschot, Geri Krantz, Joanna Leger, Anne Maugeri, Krista May, Brittany McCulloch, Jennifer McLaren, Karley Murray, Carolyn Notarandrea, Janice Ross, Glenda Stoyanovski, Lesley Takhar, Alain Vienneau, Marlene Vincent, Monika vonGraffen-Cornthwaite, Patricia Wilson, Michele Zabransky





A Green Message from your Executive Council

Hey everyone!! It is official we have gone Green!! We are proud to inform our members that we will continue to send our newsletters via email.

We ask that all members continue to ensure that their e-mail addresses are up to date as issues will be available via e-mail only. We will also continue to post Critical Connections on the local web page. You can update your e-mail address at www.caccn.ca or through our local chapter at www.torontocaccn.ca.

If you have any concerns regarding this decision please contact our president Ingrid Daley at (416) 340 - 4800 ext. 8774 or e-mail at ingrid.daley@uhn.ca.

An Invitation to all Toronto Chapter Members:

Our executive council is taking a well deserved summer break. We can still be reached through our Gmail address. Our next meeting will take place on Monday January 16th, 2012 at the Hospital for Sick Children. Please check the web page for details. All members are invited to attend. Please R.S.V.P to our president, Ingrid Daley, at Ingrid.Daley@uhn.ca seven full calendar days prior to the event if you would like to attend. Submissions regarding any chapter concerns can also be forwarded to Ingrid Daley for consideration during the executive council meeting.

Coming Events...

11th Annual Trauma Conference 2012

Friday February 10th, 2012 at the Delta Toronto East

CNA Critical Care Certification Exam

Saturday April 21, 2012

Evolutions in Critical Care 2012

Monday April 30th, 2012 at the Sheraton Toronto Airport Hotel and Conference Centre

7th International Conference of Rapid Response Systems and Medical Emergency Teams

May 7-9, 2012, Sydney, Australia

National Teaching Institute and Critical Care Exposition

May 19-24, 2012, Orlando, Florida

Sunnybrook Critical Challenges Conference

Thursday May 31st, 2012

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September 23 to 25, 2012 at the Westin Bayshore Vancouver, British Columbia



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How to reach us? (please note the chapter no longer has a phone, should you have any questions or concerns please feel free contact any of our members via email or by mail).

By Mail:

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 Toronto, Ontario
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By email:

caccn.executive@gmail.ca
 We will answer your call within 72 hours.

Looking for Educational Sessions and Workshops?

Our Education Coordinator Kim Streitenberger has organized two review workshops for 2012. The Cardio-Respiratory review presented by Michele Cleland will take place Thursday February 23rd, 2012 from 08:30 to 16:30 at North York General Hospital and the Neuro-Endocrine Review presented by Annemarie Sweeney will be held on Thursday March 1st, 2012 from 08:30 to 16:30 at North York General Hospital. Registration can be done at www.torontocaccn.ca. If you have any questions please feel free to contact Kim at kim.streitenberger@sickkids.ca

Interested in Contributing to Critical Connections?

We are currently seeking educational submissions to be published in future issues. If you are interested please contact Teresa Robitaille via e-mail at: teresa.robitaille@uhn.ca

Membership Renewals and New Members - please submit your completed application and payment to:

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By Fax: 519-649-1458

By Email: caccn@caccn.ca

Find us on Face book at:



Check us out on Face book: CACCN Toronto Chapter.

- Find links to updated research in Critical Care Medicine.
- Find links to upcoming conferences.
- Find links to upcoming education workshops and opportunities.
- Provide feedback and ideas how we can help you or what you would CACCN Toronto Chapter do to make your membership more valuable to you.
- Provides a forum for discussion and an opportunity to network with your critical care colleagues.

<http://www.facebook.com/pages/Caccn/102615136442345>



Mark It on Your Calendar!!

“Evolutions 2012”

Monday April 30, 2012

Sheraton Toronto Airport Hotel and Conference Centre

801 Dixon Road, Toronto, Ontario



CACCN TORONTO CHAPTER PRESENTS

CARDIAC – RESPIRATORY REVIEW WORKSHOP 2012



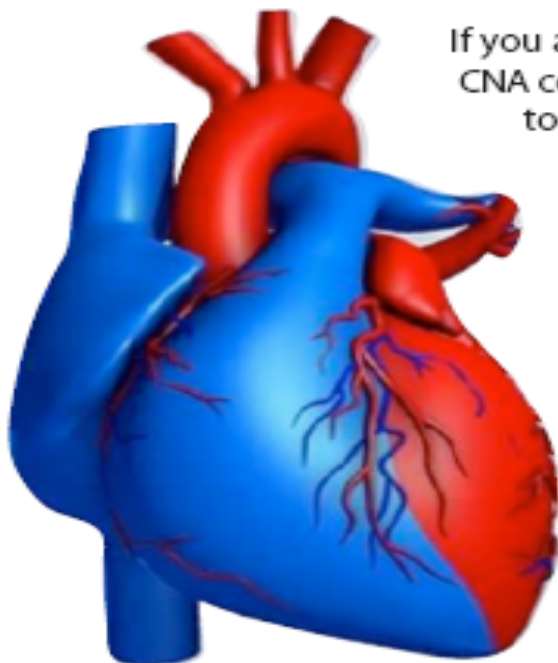
PRESENTED
BY:

Michelle Cleland

Thursday, February 23, 2012.

North York General Hospital
4001 Leslie Street
Toronto, Ontario • M2K 1E1

08:30–16:30



If you are looking for a review for the CNA certification exam or just looking to enhance your knowledge this full day workshop is for you.

Participants will be guided through a review of the major critical care cardiac & respiratory competencies.

\$50 for CACCN MEMBERS

\$75 for non-members
\$40 for students

Payment can be made by cheque or PayPal. For more information visit our web site: www.torontocaccn.ca



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NEURO – ENDOCRINE REVIEW WORKSHOP



2012

PRESENTED
BY:

Annemarie Sweeney

Thursday, March 1, 2012.

North York General Hospital
4001 Leslie Street
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(After they leave your care, they need ours.)

When English is not your first language, navigating the complex car accident benefit compensation system can be challenging. Recent Government regulations have made the claims process even more difficult leading to a **300% increase in the denial of treatment plans for rehabilitation and physiotherapy.**

As Toronto's largest ethnic personal injury law firm, speaking 24 languages, Carranza can help ensure your patients receive the rehabilitation and fair compensation they deserve in a language they understand.

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