



Your **CANNT** Connection



May 2017

Dear CANNT Members,

May is shaping up to be a busy month! Our first week was International Mental Health Awareness Week, a perfect time to be mindful of our own mental health and also those in our care as living with renal disease can have a huge impact on a person's mental health.

Starting this week- May 8th all the way until Florence Nightingale's birthday on May 12 is Nurses' Week! A big shout out to all of our renal nurses for the great work they do as well as our cherished inter-professional colleagues the renal techs and the rest of the team without whom it would not be possible for us to do our best work.

On the practice front, you may have heard, Amgen the company that makes ARANESP (darbepoetin alfa) in collaboration with health Canada has released a product warning regarding the potential for severe and life threatening skin reactions including Stevens-Johnson (SJS) syndrome and toxic epidermal necrosis (TEN) for patients being treated with this drug. Health care professionals are advised to discontinue therapy immediately if a severe skin reaction occurs or SJS/TENS is suspected and to permanently discontinue treatment if SJS/TENS is confirmed. Health Canada is currently working with the manufacturer to include this information on the Product Safety Monograph. More information can be found here: www.healthycanadians.gc.ca/recall-alert-rappel-avis/index-eng.php

Starting next month, we will be taking advice requests, if you have a burning question clinical or otherwise, speak to me at:

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Happy Nurses' Week,
Michele
Director of Communications, CANNT Board of Directors

Dates to Remember

May 8 - 14, 2017
[CNA National Nursing Week](#)

September 9 - 12, 2017
[EDTNA/ERCA International Conference](#)

September 20, 2017
[Nephrology Healthcare Professionals Day](#)

September 23 - 25, 2017
[ANNA Fall Meeting](#)

September 27 - 28, 2017
[CANSW 2017 Conference](#)

October 5 - 6, 2017
[BC Kidney Days](#)

October 4 - 5, 2017
[REINQ Conference](#)

October 19 - 21, 2017
[CANNT Charting Our Course, Setting Sail for the Future](#)



May 5 - 8, 2018
[17th Congress of the](#)



CANNT 2017 Halifax Accommodations

Hampton Inn by Hilton Halifax Downtown is an inviting, contemporary Four Star and Four

Diamond rated hotel in the heart of downtown. This new Hilton hotel offers 181 stylish rooms and magnificent views of the Halifax Harbour and Halifax Citadel National Historic Site. Situated at the base of the Citadel Hill and ideally located only 5-7 minute walk from the Nova Centre and the famous Halifax boardwalk, you will love the abundance of restaurants, shopping and entertainment options.

[Please click here for more information.](#)



From our 2016 CANNT Research Grant Winner, Ann Jones:

Perception of the NP role among healthcare care professionals in hemodialysis

In October 2016, we were the recipients of the research award in London, Ontario at the CANNT conference. The impetus of this award was to fund our proposed study, "Perception of the NP role among healthcare care professionals in hemodialysis." The aim of the study is to explore the perception of the interprofessional (IP) team members with the NP role and to identify any barriers to collaboration with hemodialysis NPs.

Support by CANNT to conduct this study has enabled us the opportunity to explore the research questions. To ensure ethical management of funds allocated for this study, the research award was deposited to a hospital trust account used only for research-related activities. The study is

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currently underway and IP participants are being enlisted. To date, expenditures have been allocated for supplies such as printing surveys and posters to heighten awareness about the study. Once data collection is complete, we will pay for statistical support from a statistician to assist with sorting and interpretation of the data, and light refreshments during local poster presentations and dissemination of the findings once the data have been analyzed. We anticipate the results of this study will help us to identify opportunities to strengthen collaboration, communication and working relationships between NPs and other team members in the out-patient HD program.

Investigators:

Ann Jones, MSN, NP, CNeph(C), Alicia Moonesar, MScN, NP-PHC, Alison Thomas, MN, NP, CNeph(C), Elizabeth Ball, MScN, NP-PHC, Mimi Cheng, MN, NP & Orla Smith, RN, PhD

CANNT Call for Nominations to the Board of Directors

The CANNT Nominating Committee is looking for CANNT/ACITN members to apply for the following positions on the CANNT/ACITN Board of Directors.

The positions commence October 2017 in Halifax, NS.

Deadline to apply: June 1, 2017

Positions Available:

VP Atlantic (3 year term)

VP Quebec (3 year term)

Benefits to Board Membership

- have a DIRECT VOICE in how YOUR Association is run.
- receive complimentary registration for the annual conference, with travel and accommodations covered as well!
- CNA recognizes professional committee membership / participation (executive of a specialty association) and 25 hours can be claimed annually towards certification hours.

[For more information and forms for candidates and nominations click here.](#)

CANNT Awards

There are MANY Bursaries, Grants and Awards that CANNT members can apply for each year. Members can also nominate a fellow CANNT member for their outstanding

work in nephrology.

[Click here to view ALL Bursaries/Grants/Awards of Excellence available for CANNT members.](#)

**Deadline to apply: May 1, 2017 or June 30, 2017
(varies with award)**

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