



## July 2017

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Dear CANNT Members,

So far this summer I have been thinking a lot about the topic of knowledge translation, which the Canadian Institute of Health Research defines as:

"A dynamic and iterative process that includes synthesis, dissemination, exchange and ethically-sound application of **knowledge** to improve the health of Canadians, provide more effective health services and products and strengthen the health care system. Jul 28, 2016"

In other words, the way that we implement into our care delivery things that we learn are best practice through what we read in the literature, learn from colleagues or conferences or through our own quality improvement (QI) initiatives or research. Typically, this part of any research or quality improvement can be the hardest part to get funding for.

It also speaks to our ethical responsibility as care providers to disseminate what we learn with our colleagues so we can share the benefits with as wide a reach as possible. The CANNT conference is a great opportunity to do this- network with colleagues across the country and share our experiences about what is working well- QI activities and solutions to issues and problems that may also exist in other renal programs across Canada.

Yet, CANNT only happens once per year and finding the time, funding and sometimes the energy for knowledge translation can be challenging. Creativity and perseverance can be our best friends when it comes to spreading the word about new ideas, topics or tools to enhance best practice. You are always welcome to post on our Facebook page or to send me a note if you would like to highlight something on your unit for our newsletter or website.

Word of mouth can be a valuable tool in getting information out there. For example, recently I was invited to Paraguay to the Annual South American Nephrology Symposium in October to speak about self-management for patients

### Dates to Remember

**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 16 - 17, 2017**  
[Knowledge Translation \(KT\) Basics](#)

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



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

dependent on hemodialysis and to share some learning that occurred in Vancouver. There are many things I hope to learn from the patients and care providers there as well.

The teams there are also very interested in competency based tools to train nurses working in transplantation, as this is a huge area they wish to develop. If you have any of these tools developed and would not mind sending them to me for translation and sharing with the teams there, I would be delighted. Kindly email me at:

[CANNT.directorcom@gmail.com](mailto:CANNT.directorcom@gmail.com) I will definitely be reporting back on this visit in a future newsletter issue- wish me luck.

Hopefully, gratefully, and optimistically yours,

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## CANNT 2017 Speakers

We know that you don't want to miss our extraordinary line-up of EXPERTS and PEERS that

will be speaking!

Work Inspired  
**Bill Carr**

Coping with "Difficult" Patient Behaviours  
**Dayna Lee-Baggley**

A Beacon of Light for Vascular Access  
**Paula Mossop**

To Glue or Not to Glue - Meeting the Challenge of Urgent Start Peritoneal Dialysis (PD)  
**Dana Foisy and Mary Ann Murray**

Use of Emergency Medical Services by Dialysis Patients  
**Karthik Tennankore**

Cannulation Technique Influences Arteriovenous Fistula and Graft Survival  
**Maria-Teresa Parisotto**

Medication Safety During Transitions in CKD  
**Chandra Thomas**

Renal PATH  
**David Landry**

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National Administrator

[Sharon Lapointe](#)  
Membership Coordinator

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Director of Communications

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How to Manage Hungry Bones  
**Steven Soroka**

Trauma Informed Care - What All Nephrology Nurses Need to Know

**Holly Murphy**

Nurse-Led Bedside Rounds - An Innovative Approach to Real Time Learning, Clinical Leadership and Patient-Centered Care

**Ofelia Magat**

## **Tourism Tips for CANNT 2017**

### **Canadian Museum of Immigration at Pier 21**

Step into the past and experience what it was like to immigrate to Canada through Pier 21. This was the entry point for one in five Canadians between 1928 and 1971.



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## **#CANNT2017**

### **Registration Information**

Early bird registration ends: **August 30, 2017**

Click [here](#) to register.

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### **Career Opportunities**

- 1 Clinical Services Manager - Renal Program, Brampton Civic Hospital and Etobicoke General Hospital, Brampton/Etobicoke, ON  
Posted: June 14, 2017

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