



Your **CANNT** Connection



April 2019

Dates to Remember

April 7-13, 2019
[National Volunteer Week](#)

April 12-15, 2019
[ISN World Congress of Nephrology](#)

April 14-17, 2019
[ANNA 2019 National Symposium](#)

April 24, 2019
[Nephrology Education Day](#)

May 2-4, 2019
[Canadian Society of Nephrology 51st Annual General Meeting](#)

May 6-12, 2019
[National Nurses Week](#)

May 19, 2019
[Certified Nurses Day](#)

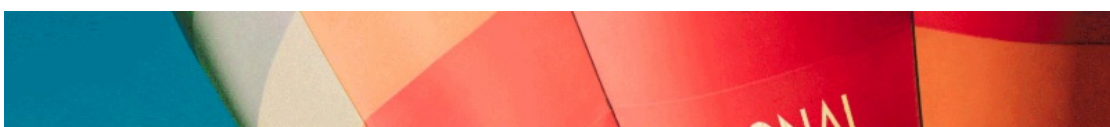
May 24-25, 2019
[CANNT Atlantic](#)

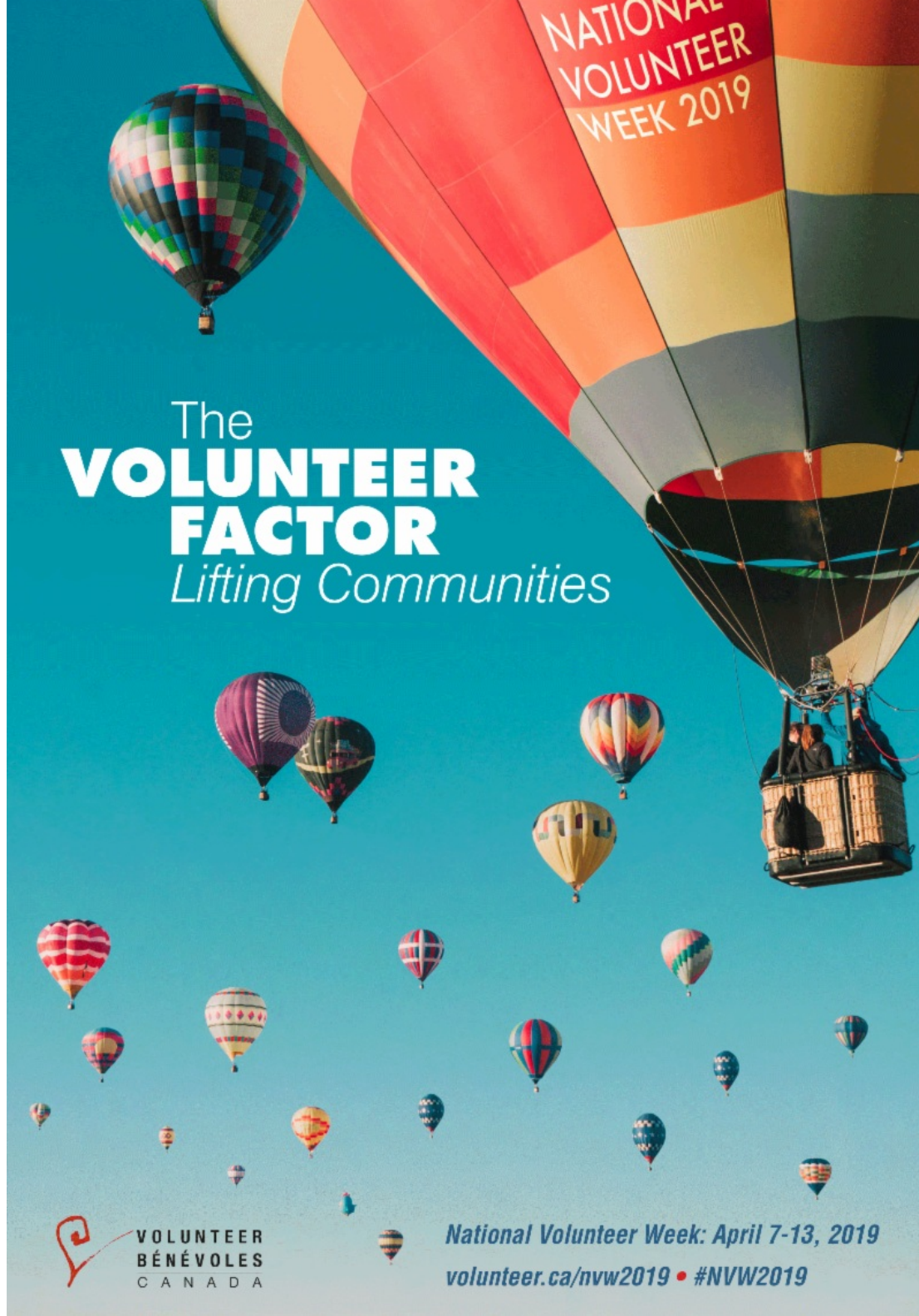
June 27-29, 2019
[Renal Society of Australasia Annual Conference](#)

September 14-17, 2019
[48th EDTNA/ERCA](#)

[International Conference](#)

October 2-4, 2019





October 3-4, 2019
[BC Kidney Days](#)

October 24-26, 2019
[CANNT National Conference: Sharing our Stories Down by the River](#)

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Forward to a Colleague

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Your Feedback is Valued!

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It's National Volunteer Week from April 7 - 13, 2019! This year's theme is "The Volunteer Factor - Lifting Communities." The Volunteer Factor celebrates and recognizes the exponential impact of volunteers and how they lift our communities.

We would like to thank all CANNT members for your valued volunteer contribution to the Association and your work to promote the best nephrology care and practice!

Enjoy this addition of the CANNT Connection!

Ethan Holtzer
Director of Communications, CANNT/ACITN Board of Directors

Congratulations!

Congratulations to our CANNT Members on Certification!

Join us in congratulating our CANNT members for successfully passing the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) CNeph(C) exam, and our members for attaining their CNA re-certification! Achieving this credential requires a commitment to our nursing specialty group! Congratulations!

(CNA) CNeph (C) Certification

Julius Miguel Bacolot
Megan Carter
Theresa Krepelka
Tracey Mackay
Andrea McTavish
Mia Maris Ortiz
Heather Paes
Kathryn Riffell

CNA Re-Certification

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Kind reminder CANNT Members can now receive a 20% discount to write the certification exam or renew your certification! Interested? Please contact us at cannt@cannt.ca to receive your voucher code. For important 2019 certification deadlines, please visit: <https://cna-aiic.ca/en/certification>*

**The voucher code is not valid for nurses applying to rewrite the exam or applying for inactive status. The discount will be applied to the CNA member rate or the non-member rate.*

Atlantic CANNT will take place at the **Alt Hotel St. John's** on May 24-25, 2019. The agenda is now live and registration is free to CANNT Members! Click here for more information: <https://cannt-acitn.ca/cannt-atlantic-2019/>

Book your CANNT Conference Accommodation Today!

Book and save! Want to PLAY, DINE, RELAX or be ENTERTAINED? River Cree Resort and Casino is the place to be. The Resort offers great dining, fun entertainment and exceptional hotel accommodation - just for you!

A block of guestrooms have been reserved at the River Cree Resort & Casino. Book online today at: <http://www.canntconference.com/2019/accommodations/>

Reserve your Booth for CANNT 2019 today!

The CANNT Conference is the leading Canadian conference for nephrology nurses and technologists. Now in its 51st year, CANNT 2019 is expected to attract 400+ professionals and reflect the diversity of its members. The conference also responds to its membership's needs for education, networking and access to suppliers. Opportunities to raise your corporate profile beyond the Exhibit Hall are available at a number of price points and levels of exposure!

Click here for more information: <https://www.canntconference.com/2019/sponsorship-application/>

CANNT Journal Open Access Article Available Now!

We are excited to announce the CANNT Journal has published another Open Access Article:

[*Transhepatic central venous hemodialysis catheter insertion: A creative approach for managing challenging vascular accesses*](#)

By Patty Quinan, Abdurrahman Eddeb, and Harold Borenstein

Interested in publishing an Open Access article with the CANNT Journal? Please contact cannt@cannt.ca for more information.

Nephrology News

Nova Scotia set to be First in North America with Presumed Consent for Organ Donations





Credit: Andrew Vaughan/The Canadian Press

The words tattooed on Cindy Ryan's left forearm are a constant reminder of the importance of organ donation in her life: "Recycle Yourself - Together We Live On."

A two-time liver transplant recipient, Ms. Ryan was on hand Tuesday for the unveiling of proposed legislation that would make Nova Scotia the first jurisdiction in North America to adopt presumed consent around organ donation.

Under the Human Organ and Tissue Donation Act, all people in Nova Scotia would be considered potential organ donors unless they opt out.

Read the full article online [here](#).

Green Shirt Day inspires thousands to sign up to be an organ donor

According to BC Transplant, nearly 2,200 people registered online to be an organ donor between Friday and Monday - a big jump from the number of registrations BC Transplant normally gets, which is between 20 to 40 people a day.



Read the full article online [here](#).

Manitoba had highest rate of new end-stage kidney disease diagnoses in country in 2017: CIHI

More people were diagnosed with end-stage kidney disease per capita last year in Manitoba than any other Canadian province excluding Quebec, according to a new report from the Canadian Institute for Health Information. Canadian Institute for Health Information report found Manitoba also had most living kidney donors in 2017.

Read the full article online [here](#).

Women and kidney disease: reflections on World Kidney Day 2018

Gender differences in access to medical care and data lacking to evaluate extent of differences.

Incidence of specific autoimmune diseases (SLE, RA, SS) more prevalent in women; pregnancy is unique challenge for women with risks of AKI, CKD, and flare of AI diseases

Fewer women than men on dialysis; less AVF in women than men on HD; reasons not well studied.

Women less likely to be kidney transplant recipients (living or deceased); women more likely to donate for living KT.



Access to medical care

Chronic kidney disease
(CKD)

Chronic dialysis

Kidney transplantation

Chronic kidney disease (CKD) affects approximately 10% of the world's adult population. It is within the top 20 causes of death worldwide,¹ and its impact on patients and their families can be devastating. World Kidney Day and International Women's Day in 2018 coincide, thus offering an opportunity to reflect on the importance of women's health and specifically their kidney health, on the community, and the next generations, as well as to strive to be more curious about the unique aspects of kidney disease in women, so that we may apply those learnings more broadly.

Read the full article online [here](#).

Ontario Renal Network: Chronic Kidney Disease (CKD) Medication Safety List

Many people with chronic kidney disease also have other chronic conditions and take multiple medications. Some drugs used to treat other conditions are cleared through the kidneys. This increases the risk of harm, including acute kidney injury.

The [following medications](#) commonly prescribed in primary care should be avoided or dose-adjusted for people with chronic kidney disease. The list was developed through a modified Delphi panel of 17 experts in nephrology, primary care and pharmacology. Learn more [here](#).

For more information, please [email the KidneyWise team](#).

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