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Message from the CACCN Board of Directors

Dear CACCN Members

The COVID-19 pandemic continues to evolve with cases continuing to be reported daily. There is indication several provinces are starting to slowly reopen non-essential businesses. We are so proud of the work our members have been doing in the fight against COVID-19! Thank you for showing up and being present, each day!

The Board of Directors of the Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses would like to share information regarding our operations at this time.

Dynamics of Critical Care™ 2020 – Windsor, ON – September 28 to 30, 2020

Critical Care nurses are essential in the pandemic response and we want to ensure not only is it safe for our members and delegates to meet, but also that we do not jeopardize critical care nurses' availability should there be a heightened response need in these volatile times.

It is with great regret that we announce the **Dynamics of Critical Care™ 2020 onsite in Windsor, ON** has been **postponed**. The decision to postpone the onsite conference, did not come lightly for the Board of Directors.

When making the decision, the Board of Directors reviewed current available information from the Public Health Agency, Health Canada, and the Ontario Provincial government. We have also reviewed our venue contracts with Caesar's Windsor, and we have also discussed and considered several of the 'unknown' variables around attendance at the event in arriving at this decision.

The Co-Chairs of the Education and Evaluation Committee, the Dynamics 2020 Chair and our Chief Operating Officer have been and are continuing to review contingency plans and options to potentially provide conference education remotely/electronically. We will share more information as it comes available.

Abstract Presenters accepted for Dynamics 2020 will receive additional communication from the Co-Chairs of the Education and Evaluation Committee and the Dynamics 2020 Chair.

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Call for Nominations – Eastern Region – April 2021 to March 2023

The Board of Directors is inviting members from the Eastern Region to submit nominations to join the board from April 2021 to March 2023. Information is available at: <https://caccn.ca/board-of-director-nominations/>

Voting will be conducted electronically through Simply Voting, as we have done for the past few years.

Annual General Meeting

The Board of Directors is inviting members to join us electronically for the **CACCN 36th Annual General Meeting**.

The date and time are to be determined. Additional information will be forthcoming when the Notice of Meeting is issued

National Office

CACCN has remained open to serve our members over the past few months. Our Chief Operating Officer, Christine Halfkenny-Zellas continues to work for CACCN from her home office daily. Contact information: caccn@caccn.ca / 966-477-9077.

Our office hours are Monday to Friday, 0800 to 1600 hrs Eastern Time. The office is closed on Saturday and Sunday.

Chapter Events

All national and chapter events planned in person, regardless of the number of attendees, continue to be postponed to a later date, cancelled, and/or moved to an electronic/digital format until further notice.

We are asking all chapters to adhere to this guideline along with any guidelines introduced municipally, provincially, and federally.

Thank you to all our chapters for continuing to engage with your members electronically!

Board Meetings

The Board of Directors has been conducting all business via email, Zoom meetings and telephone. This has been challenging to engage in robust discussion, however, we are continuing the business of the association and working on your behalf to fulfil the mission and vision of the association.

On behalf of the Board of Directors, we thank you for the work that you are doing, as we know a great number of our members are caring for patients with COVID-19, as well as other critically ill Canadians. Our community of critical care nurses are leaders and your leadership are shining through each day!

Please take care of one another and stay safe.

Sincerely



Mélanie Gauthier
President



Sarah Crowe
Vice-President
Chair, Dynamics of Critical Care 2020

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