

Paige Gehrke, a CACCN member and registered nurse, is the Research Coordinator for a qualitative research study that is seeking participants. Along with the leadership of local principal investigator Dr. Jennifer Tsang, Paige and the research team are interested in interviewing community hospital stakeholders about their experience or interest in engaging research in community ICUs. Nurses, nurse leaders and researchers are critical members of research teams, and it is imperative to include their perspectives in research program development.

### **Why are we doing this study?**

To-date, only a small proportion of patients in Canada have been recruited into clinical research. This remains true during the COVID-19 pandemic. One reason is that few community ICUs in Canada participate in research, which is where most patients receive their care. We are interested in interviewing community hospital professionals about their experiences engaging in or interest in community ICU research. Your insight will provide valuable information to help health professionals, researchers, and organizations understand what is needed to initiate, sustain, and build research programs in community hospital ICUs. We want to hear from individuals engaged in research across a spectrum of level of involvement.

### **What does this study involve?**

As part of the study, you will be asked to participate in at least one interview, via telephone or videoconference (e.g., Zoom, Microsoft Teams), with a potential second interview if follow up information is required. You will also be asked to complete a demographic questionnaire.

### **To be eligible to participate, you must:**

- 1) Able to communicate via video conferencing or telephone;
- 2) Able to speak English;
- 3) Who are a community hospital professional that belongs to one of the following groups:
  - a. ICU healthcare professionals: physicians, registered nurses, or allied health professionals (e.g., pharmacists, dieticians, physiotherapists, occupational therapists, social workers)
  - b. ICU research staff: research volunteers, research assistants, research coordinators, research managers, ethics review board staff, or contract review staff;
  - c. Hospital leadership: senior executives, directors, or managers;
- 4) Interested or actively participating in ICU research.

If you have any questions about this research study or would like to confirm your interest in participating, please contact the research coordinator, Paige Gehrke.

Additionally, if you know someone who would be interested in this study, please forward this information to them or have them contact Paige.

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