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CACCN *Critical Connections* Bulletin

February 2023



**NEW and RENEWING
Members!**
Thank you for participating
and supporting your
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Association!

Upcoming Events

<https://caccn.ca/upcoming-events/>

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| February 15 | Cdn CCN Conference 2023 Call for Abstracts Closes |
| February 16 | Webinar: Pediatric Apheresis & TMA |
| March 09 | Journal Club: Virtual Reality as an adjunctive comfort measure in the ICU/CCU |
| March 30 | Webinar: Mentorship Series Session 1: Mentorship & Preparation |
| April 13 | Webinar: Clinical Presentation |
| April 25 | Webinar: Building Partnerships in Crisis |
| May 11 | Webinar or Journal Club |
| June 01 | Awards, Grants and Bursary Deadline |
| June 08 | Webinar – Mentorship Series Session 2 – Preceptorship |
| June 22 | Webinar: Preparing to Publish |
| July/August | No planned Events |

SPECIALTY NURSING CERTIFICATION

Application Timelines

Spring Exams

January 11 – March 31, 2023

Fall Exams

June 5 – September 30, 2023

Renewal by CL

January 11 – December 16, 2023

<https://www.cna-aiic.ca/en/certification>

CACCN CERTIFICATION BURSARY

When applying for the certification examination OR completing your renewal for 2023 – be sure to provide the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) with permission to share your contact information with the CACCN – for an opportunity to win a bursary!

<https://caccn.ca/awardsandrecognition/>

CERTIFICATION MIP AWARD DRAW 2023

Deadline September 1 @ 1159 hrs ET

This award is offered by draw by MIP Inc., CNA & CACCN. Valid for 2023 critical care specialty nursing examination or renewal.

Criteria

<https://caccn.ca/awardsandrecognition/>

Apply now:

<https://tinyurl.com/Cert2023MIPDraw>

OFFICE CLOSURE

Our office will be closed
Monday, February 20
Friday, February 24
Week of February 27 to March 3.

We will be unable to respond to emails or telephone messages during this time.

Membership Cards

CACCN is no longer printing membership cards. Your payment invoice / receipt will represent confirmation of membership.

ABSTRACT SUBMISSION CLOSES FEBRUARY 15! SUBMIT NOW!

Call for Abstracts

The CCCNC conference offers the opportunity to present and discuss current, evidence-based/ evidence informed, best practices relevant to critical care providers, high-acuity health care professionals and the interprofessional team.

The Canadian Association of Critical Care Nurses (CACCN) is now accepting abstract submissions for the Canadian Critical Care Nursing Conference 2023, the premier Canadian national critical care nursing conference to be held at the Fredericton Convention Centre, Fredericton, New Brunswick from September 25 to 27, 2023.

Deadline:

15 February 2023 @ 2359 hrs EST

<https://caccn.ca/events/canadian-critical-care-nursing-conference-2023/>



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Informations sur la soumission des résumés

L'Association canadienne des infirmières et des infirmiers en soins critiques (ACIISC) accepte maintenant des soumissions de résumés pour le Congrès Canadien des infirmières et infirmiers en soins critiques 2023, le seul congrès nationale au Canada visant les infirmières et infirmier en soins critique, se qui tiendra au Centre des congrès de Frédéricton, à Frédéricton, au Nouveau-Brunswick, du 25 au 27 septembre 2023.

Date limite des soumissions:

Le 15 février 2023 à 23 H 59, Heure de l'Est

<https://caccn.ca/events/canadian-critical-care-nursing-conference-2023/congres-canadien-des-infirmieres-et-infirmiers-en-soins-critiques-2023/>



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The Canadian Journal of Critical Care Nursing

The **Canadian Journal of Critical Care Nursing (CJCCN)** is an **open access** scientific, peer reviewed scientific critical care nursing journal. **CONSIDER PUBLISHING** - The aim of the Canadian Journal of Critical Care Nursing (CJCCN) is to publish innovative and current research as well as recent clinical evidence related to critical care and critical care nursing. The latter is inclusive of all contexts wherein individuals may experience critical illness including adult, pediatric and neonatal intensive care units, community, acute, tertiary, and quaternary settings, as well as rural and remote settings. Submissions may include any of the following: clinical, education, leadership, management, research, quality improvement, and professional issues related to critical care nursing. <https://cjccn.ca/aim-scope-guidelines-for-authors/> Questions: cjccneditor@caccn.ca.

OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS, NON-MEMBER CRITICAL
CARE & APHERISIS NURSES

Register by FEB 15 @ 1200 HRS ET

<https://caccn.ca/upcoming-events/> or use the QR Code

CACCN WEBINAR

Pediatric apheresis and thrombotic microangiopathies (TMA)

Speaker:

Maria Di Mola, MEd, RN, President
Canadian Association of Apheresis Nurses
Sponsored by Alexion AstraZeneca Rare Disease

Rescheduled from January 12, 2023



FEBRUARY 16, 2023



1800 HRS ET



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Health Canada

Consultation on proposed Agile Regulations and Guidance for the Licensing of Drugs and Medical Devices

Health Canada has recently launched a consultation proposing new targeted provisions and regulatory amendments to the Food and Drug Regulations (FDR) and Medical Devices Regulations (MDR). These will continue to advance the Department's modernization agenda, as well as support the reduction of regulatory irritants and roadblocks to innovation, by making Canada's science-based regulatory system more agile and internationally aligned. The proposal also considers recent experience with regulatory agilities successfully piloted as part of Health Canada's response to the COVID-19 pandemic. Health Canada is seeking feedback on both the proposed Regulations and on multiple guidance documents and notices related to this proposal.

Please visit the [consultation page](#) for more information and to provide feedback. This consultation is open to March 27, 2023, at 11:59pm Eastern Standard Time (EST).

Public Health

Agency of Canada (PHAC)

The Public Health Agency of Canada is part of the federal health portfolio. Its activities focus on preventing disease and injuries, responding to public health threats, promoting good physical and mental health, and providing information to support informed decision making.

Disease Prevention Updates

- [Weekly Influenza Report](#)
- [Update on COVID19 Canada](#)
- [One-health surveillance of antimicrobial resistance in Canada: spotlight on AMRNet](#)

Government News Releases

- [Delay of eligibility for medical assistance in dying for persons suffering solely from mental illness proposed by Ministers of Justice and Health](#)
- [B.C. takes action to save lives, build new connections of care with drug decriminalization](#)

Santé Canada

Consultation sur le projet de règlement Agile et les lignes directrices pour l'homologation des médicaments et des instruments médicaux

Santé Canada a récemment lancé une consultation proposant de nouvelles dispositions ciblées et des modifications réglementaires au Règlement sur les aliments et drogues (RAD) et au Règlement sur les instruments médicaux (RIM). Ces modifications continueront de faire progresser le programme de modernisation du Ministère, ainsi que de favoriser la réduction des irritants réglementaires et des obstacles à l'innovation, en rendant le système de réglementation canadien, fondé sur la science, plus agile et aligné sur les normes internationales. La proposition tient également compte de l'expérience récente des agilités réglementaires pilotées avec succès dans le cadre de la réponse de Santé Canada à la pandémie de COVID-19. Santé Canada sollicite des commentaires à la fois sur le projet de règlement et sur les multiples documents d'orientation et avis liés à cette proposition. Veuillez visiter la [page de consultation](#) pour obtenir plus d'information et fournir des commentaires. **Cette consultation est ouverte 27 mars 2023, à 23 h 59, heure normale de l'Est (HNE).**



CACCN MENTORSHIP WEBINAR SERIES

for new graduates, newer nurses, preceptors, and anyone interested in mentorship and/or preceptorship.

March 30	Mentorship & Preparation (Robin Burry)
June 08	Preceptorship (Michelle LaLonde)
October 12	Work Environment (Kim MacMillan)
December 07	Panel Discussion (Brandi Vanderspank-Wright & Caroline Penner)

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ISMP is a trusted partner in strengthening medication safety through learning, sharing, and acting to improve health care. ISMP collects and analyzes reports of medication errors and other issues so we can learn about the risks related to medications and collaboratively develop strategies to address them. Practitioners, community pharmacies, consumers and caregivers can report experiences with medication errors:

<https://ismpcanada.ca/report/>

CACCN AWARDS

Open now for applications/nominations.

Deadline: June 1

<https://caccn.ca/awardsandrecognition/>



BBraun Sharing Expertise Award

Presented to an individual who exhibits stellar leadership and mentoring abilities in critical care.

Spacelabs Innovative Project Award

Presented to a critical care nurse or group of critical care nurses who develop a project that will enhance their professional development.

Brenda Morgan Leadership Excellence Award

Presented to a critical care nurse who, on a consistent basis demonstrates outstanding performance in leadership in CACCN and critical care.

Canadian ICU Week Spotlight Challenge

Presented to a group of critical care nurses who develop an activity and/or event to profile their local Critical Care Team during Canadian Intensive Care Week held annually in October.

Chasing Excellence Award

Presented to a critical care nurse who consistently demonstrates excellence in critical care nursing practice.

Graduate Education Bursary

Presented to assist critical care nurses to pursue Master's or Doctoral education with a focus on critical care nursing.

Research Grant

Presented to a critical care nurse who is the investigator of a research study that is relevant to the practice of critical care nursing.

The SIGNS for Kids Consortium Centre for Safety Research

An exciting new pediatric health education tool has been developed for use by parents, teachers, community health care providers, hospitals and critical care settings, that can support decision-making around when to seek urgent medical care for children. In the context of our national surge in respiratory illness in children the tool is being made available broadly to support parents and other care givers to access health care for children in a timely way. This work comes out of a larger research program of work aimed at improving child health outcomes in critical illness.

The SIGNS for KIDS (Serious Illness Getting Noticed Sooner) tool was developed with rigorous scientific process and has undergone initial validations showing excellent capture of critical cues of acuity and high face validity (Gilleland et al., 2019; and Gray et al., 2022). The tool is endorsed Health Excellence Canada and is currently available in English and French.

It is hopeful that widespread use of the principles embedded in the SIGNS for KIDS tool will support parents and other caregivers to avoid tragically late presentations of evolving serious illness and support best outcomes for Canadian children.

Providers

<https://tinyurl.com/SIGNSforKIDSProviders>

Parents

<https://tinyurl.com/SIGNSforKidsParents>

Leaders

<https://tinyurl.com/SIGNSforKIDSLeaders>

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

Violence Takes Toll on Canadian Healthcare Workers

Medscape Medical News

https://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/982962?src=mkm_ret_230131_mscpmrk-OU_S_GenMarketing&uac=180506CX&impID=5112352&faf=1

Geggel's Congenital Heart Disease Library

OPENPediatrics - WFPICCS

<https://www.openpediatrics.org/heartdiseaselesions>

ARTICLES OF INTEREST

"No Drug Selected" = Taking the Smart Out of Smart Pumps

Institute for Safe Medication Practices

https://ismpcanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/ISMPCSB2023-i1-Smart-Pumps.pdf?utm_source=safetybulletin&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=sbv23i01#page=1

Atrial Failure or Insufficiency: A New Syndrome

Medscape Medical News

https://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/986950?src=mkm_ret_230120_mscpmrk-OU_S_CaSpecial&uac=180506CX&impID=5094569&faf=1

New Pan-Canadian Diversion Risk Assessment Tool

Institute for Safe Medication Practices

https://ismpcanada.ca/wp-content/uploads/ISMPCSB2023-i1-Smart-Pumps.pdf?utm_source=safetybulletin&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=sbv23i01#page=4

Decision Guide to Assess Postextubation Oral Intake

Critical Care Nurse

https://aacnjournals.org/ccnonline/article/43/1/42/31967/A-Decision-Guide-for-Assessing-the-Recently?utm_source=enews&utm_medium=email&utm_campaign=article

Practice Tool: Nurse's Role in Enteral Nutrition

Abbott

https://www.nutritioncare.org/uploadedFiles/Documents/Guidelines_and_Clinical_Resources/EN-Nursing-Practice-Tool.pdf

Can siRNA Improve Compliance in Patients with Hypertension?

Medscape Medical News

https://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/986948?src=mkm_ret_230120_mscpmrk-OU_S_CaSpecial&uac=180506CX&impID=5094569&faf=1

World Shared Practice Forums

OPENPediatrics - WFPICCS

[YouTube](#), [Apple](#), [Google](#), [Soundcloud](#), and [Spotify](#)

Novel Resuscitation for Patients with Nonshockable Rhythms in Cardiac Arrest

Medscape Emergency Medicine

https://www.medscape.com/viewarticle/985483?src=mkm_ret_230203_mscpmrk-OU_S_Monthly_CA&uac=180506CX&impID=5130587&faf=1

CACCN Webinars & Journal Club Recordings

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<https://caccn.ca/members/national-events-journal-club-webinars/>

1. **Recognizing and Managing Abnormally Slow Cardiac Rhythms: Enhancing Nurses' Clinical Assessment Toolkit.**
2. **SITUATION CRITICAL: New Graduates in High Acuity.**
3. **The Technology of Nursing.**
4. **Journal Club: Article:** [Review - Canadian Women's Heart Health Alliance - The Canadian Women's Heart Health Alliance Atlas on the Epidemiology, Diagnosis, and Management of Cardiovascular Disease in Women d Chapter 6: Sex- and Gender-Specific Diagnosis and Treatment.](#)
5. **Caring for a patient with TMA: A nursing perspective.**
6. **Complex Neurological Determination of Death: Case studies.**
7. **Journal Club: Article:** ["Principles of fluid management and stewardship in septic shock: it is time to consider the four D's and the four phases of fluid therapy"](#)
8. **Journal Club: Article:** ["The core of patient-participation in the Intensive Care Unit: The patient's views".](#)

World Federation Pediatric Intensive and Critical Care Societies

The **PROSpect** study is open for additional sites! The **PRone** and **OScillation Pediatric Clinical Trial** (PROSpect) is an international clinical research study funded by the National Institutes of Health (NIH) Heart, Lung and Blood Division (NHLBI). **It is not too late to join!**

To participate, enrolling sites must be experienced in caring for critically ill children (2 weeks to 20 years) with PARDS and our randomized interventions, prone positioning and HFOV, and have backup ECMO capacity.

If interested, please contact Martha Curley curley@nursing.upenn.edu directly.

SPECIAL OFFER FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN VASCULAR ACCESS

We are happy to share with you an offer from the **Canadian Vascular Access Association (CVAA)** for their [national conference](#) (April 26-28, 2023) in Toronto, Ontario. There is a lot of crossover between critical care and vascular access/infusion therapy and **CVAA is offering a 10% discount** for CACCN members to attend. **Simply use this code on the registration form [here](#): CACCN2023**

This year's conference will be extra special as they have partnered with a global association ([WoCoVA](#)) and are bringing renowned speakers from all over the world. The event will provide great education, networking, and you even get to participate in hands-on Skills Lab demonstrations.

