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Critical Connections Bulletin

April 2026

WELCOME

New and Renewing members! Thank you for your participation and support!

CHAPTER EVENTS

Saskatchewan

April 23 - Education Night
BRAIN WAVE, a look into EEG's

In person, virtual & recording tickets available

May 6 - Education Night
Organ Donation

In person, virtual & recording tickets available

Montreal Chapter

May 19 - Joint Education Day with
CVAA Quebec!

Southwestern Ontario Chapter
May 27 - Joint Education Day with
CVAA SW Ontario!

Registration information

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

or CACCN Chapters

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

Discount Codes - Members only!

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

or Scan the QR Code



Virtual ANTT® Symposium
Thursday April 30, 2026
11:00am – 2:00pm ET

2026 Virtual Symposium focused on Aseptic Non-Touch Technique (ANTT®)! This is a virtual opportunity to come together and learn from ANTT® founders, clinical experts, and industry.

Three hours

Three unique learning sessions
Free for all!

Register by April 20!



Notification of upcoming membership renewal is sent by email approximately 45 days prior to the renewal!

April 30 renewal notifications were issued
in early March via email.

Know the [Continuous Renewal](#) FAQs

NATIONAL EVENTS

Join Us!

A Second Chance at Life: The Nurse's Role in the Journey of Living Donation

Sponsored by [Canadian Blood Services](#)

June 11 @ 1200 hrs ET
OPEN to all – 90 seats available

Registration

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/caccn-national-webinar>

Optimal Humidity: An Essential Component of Care for Non-invasive & Invasively Ventilated Patients

Sponsored by [Fisher and Paykel Healthcare](#)

June 17 @ 1200 hrs ET
OPEN to all – 90 seats available

Registration

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/caccn-webinar-optimal-humidity-an-essential-component-of-care-for-non-invasive-and-invasively-ventilated-patients>

Humidité optimale : un élément essentiel des soins prodigués aux patients sous ventilation non invasive et invasive

Parrainé par [Fisher and Paykel Healthcare](#)

18 Juin @ 12 h 00 (heure de l'Est)
90 places disponibles

Inscriptions

<https://www.zeffy.com/fr-CA/ticketing/webinaire-caccn-national-une-humidite-optimale>



More information

<https://wfpiccs.org/2026-world-picu-awareness-week-day/>



WFPICCS

World Federation of Pediatric Intensive & Critical Care Societies

Upcoming Webinar - April 16

Lung Recruitment and prone positioning in pediatric ventilation

Registration



Webinar Recording Available

The lung as a spring: Compliance, resistance, and work of breathing



SURVEY PARTICIPATION

ONTARIO NURSES!

A CACCN MEMBER NEEDS YOUR PARTICIPATION! PLEASE SHARE WITH YOUR COLLEAGUES!

Nurses' perceptions and experiences of caring for critically ill patients in rural hospitals. The intersection of critical illness and rurality within a publicly funded healthcare system in Ontario.

The purpose of this study is to explore the perceptions and experiences of nurses who care for critically ill patients in **rural healthcare settings** in Ontario.

We seek to understand how the services and resources available to rural hospitals, as directed by Provincial guidelines, intersect with lived experience of nurses caring for a critically ill patient in a rural hospital.

Information:

<https://caccn.ca/wp-content/uploads/2026/03/Invitation-to-Participate-Feb-2.pdf>

CONGRATULATIONS!

CACCN Certification Bursary Recipients

For successful completion of the CNA Certification Examination or Renewal in 2025.

Initial Certification

Kelly B - Port Coquitlam, BC

Rebecca G - Saskatoon, SK

Renewal Certification

Beth L - Toronto, ON

Christine F - Calgary, AB

Katie G - Edmonton, AB



CACCN Awards, Grants & Bursaries: <https://caccn.ca/awardsandrecognition/>



Nursing Week Draw



Early Bird registration for the **Canadian Critical Care Nursing Conference 2026** being held September 29 and 30, 2026 in Charlottetown, PE.

Criteria: be a current / active member of the CACCN

Apply by May 17, 2026

Winner will be drawn by random draw.

<https://www.zeffy.com/en-CA/ticketing/caccn-nursing-week-tuition-draw>



The Canadian Journal of
Critical Care Nursing

CALL FOR PEER REVIEWERS

The Canadian Journal of Critical Care Nursing (CJCCN)
is looking to add to our external Peer Review list.

If this is of interest to you! **SUBMIT AN APPLICATION TODAY!!**

LINK:

<https://cjccn.ca/call-for-peer-reviewers-external/>





**Global
Sepsis
Alliance**



Participate in the **6th World Sepsis Congress**, taking place on **April 22-23**. Titled "**Universal Sepsis Care for Newborns, Children, and Women**", this free online congress will feature 15 distinctive sessions over two days (including 2 panel discussions), throughout which globally renowned clinicians, researchers, experts, and thought leaders will cover sepsis prevention, maternal and neonatal care, pediatric critical care, health system solutions, and much more. Register: <https://www.worldsepsiscongress.org/>

Adult and Children's guidelines

These guidelines were developed through a joint initiative of the **Society of Critical Care Medicine (SCCM)** and the **European Society of Intensive Care Medicine (ESICM)**, led by multidisciplinary international experts who are committed to reducing mortality and morbidity from sepsis and septic shock, which are leading causes of death worldwide.

Adult:

<https://sccm.org/survivingsepsiscampaign/guidelines-and-resources/surviving-sepsis-campaign-adult-guidelines>

Children's:

<https://sccm.org/survivingsepsiscampaign/guidelines-and-resources/surviving-sepsis-campaign-pediatric-guidelines>

AWARDS * GRANTS * BURSARIES

Each year, we proudly honour nursing excellence in our specialty!

Our Awards, Grants and Bursaries celebrate individual & group excellence, expertise, outstanding achievements, professional development, and contributions to the association and our critical care specialty.

Start planning now! Submission deadline is June 1

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

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Did you know...

CACCN can assist you with reaching nurses for surveys, research projects, and calls for research participants?

Visit the Surveys page on the website for distribution request requirements and information.

Distribution includes:

- 3 direct emails to members
- posting on the CACCN website survey page
- 3 social media posts on Facebook, X, LinkedIn and Instagram

Distribution fees:

- CACCN Members - \$ 150 + 13% HST
- Non-Members - \$ 300 + 13% HST



Surveys

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Surveys: <https://caccn.ca/surveys/>

PUBLICATIONS

Health-care workers are not heroes

Canadian Nurse

<https://www.canadian-nurse.com/blogs/cn-content/2026/03/23/health-care-workers-are-not-heroes? zs=711901& zl=n6Of3>

Nurses' Experience in Providing End-of-Life Care in Intensive Care Unit: A Scoping Review

Healthcare

<https://doi.org/10.3390/healthcare14030417>

Feeding at the end of life: a pediatric nurse's dilemma

Canadian Nurse

<https://www.canadian-nurse.com/blogs/cn-content/2026/03/30/feeding-at-the-end-of-life? zs=711901& zl=o6Of3>

Roles and responsibilities of nurses in mechanical ventilation in pediatric intensive care units: a national survey in Austria

BMC Nursing

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s12912-026-04337-0>

RN prescribing: leveraging Choosing Wisely Canada for evidenced-based practice

Canadian Nurse

<https://www.canadian-nurse.com/blogs/cn-content/2026/02/17/rn-prescribing-choosing-wisely-canada? zs=711901& zl=v6Of3>

Knowledge, Attitudes, and Behaviors of Critical Care Nurses Regarding Environmentally Sustainable Clinical Practice: A Longitudinal Study Protocol and Framework

Sustainability

<https://doi.org/10.3390/su18031346>

Development and validation of the critical care practical competency scale for clinical nurses

BMC Nursing

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s12912-026-04339-y>

Development and psychometric evaluation of the delirium detection and management scale for pediatric intensive care nurses

Journal of Pediatric Nursing

<https://doi.org/10.1016/j.pedn.2025.10.023>

What Do Pediatric Intensive Care Nurses Know About Pediatric Delirium?

Dimensions of Critical Care Nursing

<https://journals.lww.com/dccnjournal/abstract/2026/03000/what-do-pediatric-intensive-care-nurses-know-about.6.aspx?context=latestarticles>

The Sounds of Silence: Problematizing Voicelessness in Nursing Practice

Justice-Oriented Critical Care in the Pediatric Intensive Care Unit: A Nursing Analysis of Barriers, Needs, and Opportunities

Nursing Inquiry

<https://doi.org/10.1111/nin.70084>

Leadership facilitation strategies to establish evidence-based practice in an acute care hospital

Journal of Advanced Nursing

<https://doi.org/10.1111/j.1365-2648.2012.06053.x>

Leadership strategies to promote frontline nursing staff engagement

Nursing Management

https://journals.lww.com/nursingmanagement/fulltext/2020/02000/leadership_strategies_to_promote_frontline_nursing.11.aspx

Leading evidence-based practice: nurse managers' strategies for knowledge utilisation in acute care settings

BMC Nursing

<https://link.springer.com/article/10.1186/s12912-025-02912-5>

Newly Licensed Nurse Retention What a 5-Year Review of Data Tells Us

Nursing Administration Quarterly

[10.1097/NAQ.0000000000000735](https://doi.org/10.1097/NAQ.0000000000000735)

Exploring the Ethical Dimensions of AI-Driven Patient Monitoring in Critical Care Nursing: A Systematic Review

BACCN Nursing

<https://doi.org/10.1111/nicc.70384>

Building an Equity-Centered Nursing Leadership Workforce: A Framework for Transformative Change

Journal of Advanced Nursing

<https://onlinelibrary.wiley.com/doi/full/10.1111/jan.17097>

Postoperative Coronary Artery Bypass Graft Readmissions in Rural, Remote, and Northern Communities: A Case-Control Study Focused on the Social Determinants of Health

Canadian Journal of Cardiovascular Nursing