



APN CHAIR E-NEWS



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Farewell, the final APN Chair Newsletter!



Front: Rose Vonau, Renee Charbonneau-Smith, Alba DiCenso, Brian Hutchison
Back: Denise Bryant Lukosius, Ruth Martin Misener, Julie Vohra, Nancy Carter, Sharon Kaasalainen, Faith Donald, Donna Ciliska, James McKinlay

E-News

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Awards & Recognition

Patricia Harbman

Heather McDonald

Esther Sangster Gormley

The summer of 2011 has signified the end of a 10-year term for the CHSRF/CIHR Chair in Advanced Practice Nursing (APN), one of 12 health services research chairs awarded in 2001.

In the past 10 years, the Chair program has achieved a number of accomplishments related to three key areas: Education and Mentoring, Research, and Linkage and Exchange.

Although we may have a new look and name, we will still continue to deliver timely APN related research information. So stay tuned!

McMaster HEALTH FORUM

Addressing the Integration of Advanced Practice Nursing in Canada

The McMaster Health Forum acts as an agent of change for improving health outcomes, by empowering stakeholders to set agendas and take well-considered actions on pressing health issues.

On July 6 and 7, 2011, the Health Forum met to discuss the integration of Advanced Practice Nursing in Canada. Two dialogues were held, one addressing Nurse Practitioners in Canada and the other addressing Clinical Nurse Specialists in Canada.

The Issue Briefs and Dialogue summaries can be found on the McMaster Health Forum website: http://www.mcmasterhealthforum.org/index.php/about-us/our-work/products

More NP led clinics open in Ontario!



The Health Zone Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic will be opening its doors in London, Ontario this fall. The clinic uses a comprehensive team based approach that will focus on primary care services including the management of chronic health conditions, preventing disease and health promotion.

Twin Bridges Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic in Sarnia, Ontario is expected to open its doors to 3200 area residents without access to a family doctor by January 1, 2012. The clinic will offer a close to home option for nursing home residents who now must travel for their primary health care.

An evaluation of the Sudbury NP led clinic was conducted and the findings show that 5 general themes emerged: awareness and understanding, implementation, physician integration, clinic model and patient satisfaction. To view the full report see: http://sdnpc.ca/images/stories/documents/PRA_Evaluation.pdf



Spotlight on Research

1. Implementing a pain protocol in long term care: Advanced practice nurses positioned as change champions.

Sharon Kaasalainen, Alba DiCenso, Ruth Martin Misener, Faith Donald, Denise Bryant Lukosius and their team have looked at how advanced practice nurses (APNs) in long-term care are ideally situated to facilitate knowledge transfer (KT) of best practices regarding pain management.

2. Understanding the individual, organizational, and system factors influencing the integration of the nurse practitioner role in long-term care settings in Canada.

Faith Donald, Ruth Martin-Misener, Sharon Kaasalainen, Nancy Carter, Alba DiCenso, Denise-Bryant-Lukosius, Noori Akhtar-Danesh and their team explored the integration of the nurse practitioner (NP) role in Canadian long term care (LTC) settings so the full potential of the NP role can be realized and timely access to quality care is ensured for a growing population of LTC residents.

3. The Practice Patterns of Clinical Nurse Specialists in Canada.

Kelley Kilpatrick and her research team want to thank the large number of participants (N= 777) who responded to the CNS survey. Data analysis is underway. The preliminary results indicate that CNSs are working in a wide range of clinical specialties across Canada.

Canadian Association of Advanced Practice Nurses

The Canadian Association of Advanced Practice Nursing (CAAPN) conference, Saskatoon, Saskatchewan, September 28-30th, 2011

The APN Chair Program was well represented at CAAPN this year, highlights include:

Panel Presentations:

Clinical Nurse Specialists in Canada - From Research to Action

This panel session outlined the following: 1) results of a decision support synthesis on advanced practice nursing in Canada with a focus on the clinical nurse specialist role; 2) results of a recently completed Canada-wide survey of CNSs; and 3) recommendations for action identified by key stakeholders and leaders from across the country regarding the full integration of APN and, in particular, CNS roles in Canada.

Presenters:

- Denise Bryant-Lukosius, BScN, MScN, PhD, Assistant Professor, McMaster University
Kelley Kilpatrick, MSc(A), PhD, McGill University
Beverly McIsaac, RN, MN, ANP
Moderator: Josette Roussel, RN, MSc, MEd, GNC(C), Nurse Advisor, Professional Practice and Regulation, Canadian Nurses Association

Future of Advanced Practice Nursing in Canada: Directions for Advanced Practice Nursing Education

In this session, panel members presented on the goals, value, and mission of their agency and how it views advanced practice nursing. Questions explored included: How does each agency differentiate between Clinical Nurse Specialist and Nurse Practitioner education? How should the education of advanced practice nurses in Canada be realized? Where would the Doctor of Nursing Practice (DNP) and PhD fit into this scenario?

Presenters:

- Clémence Dallaire, RN, PhD, Professor, Faculty of Nursing, Laval University President, Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing
Barbara L. Mildon, RN, PhD, CHE, President-Elect Canadian Nurses Association
Ruth Martin-Misener, NP, PhD, Associate Professor, Dalhousie University, School of Nursing
Kimerley Lamarche, RN(C), DNP, President-Elect CAAPN
Moderator: Joseite Coles, CBC Saskatchewan

Oral Presentations:

1. Mentorship for Advanced Practice Nurses: Lessons Learned from the Oncology Nursing e-Mentorship Program, presented by Denise Bryant-Lukosius, RN, PhD

This presentation aimed to 1) Highlight the benefits of mentorship for mentees/mentors, patients, employers, and the healthcare system; 2) Increase awareness of mentorship and career development initiatives as effective health human resource management strategies; 3) Share experiences and successful outcomes of the Ontario Oncology APN e-Mentorship Program; and 4) Identify the challenges and solutions for addressing the mentorship and career development needs of APNs in Canada.

2. Developing and Integrating Research into your Advanced Practice Nursing Role: Strategies, Impact and Lessons Learned from a Centre for Excellence, presented by Denise Bryant-Lukosius, RN, PhD

This presentation described the development and impact of a national Centre of Excellence for strengthening APN capacity to inform, engage, lead and participate in research activities relevant to their clinical roles.

3. Impact of the PEPPA Framework on the Introduction of Advanced Practice Nursing (APN) Roles for Underserved Populations, Presented by: Denise Bryant-Lukosius, RN, PhD

This presentation described the application of the PEPPA Framework to develop and implement APN roles for under-served cancer populations. A multiple case study design employing participatory, qualitative and quantitative methods was used to develop and evaluate an APN Role Implementation Toolkit based on the PEPPA Framework.

4. Acute Care Nursing Administrators' Information Needs about Advanced Practice Nursing, Presented by: Nancy Carter, RN, PhD

This presentation described the development and pilot testing of a survey tool to be used with nursing administrators to understand their information needs about Advanced Practice Nurse (APN) roles. Initial content for the survey was from a review of the literature and content from qualitative interviews with nursing administrators, physicians and APNs.

5. Using Modified Delphi Process to Prioritize Messages for Policy Decision Makers: An Application in the Field of Advanced Practice Nursing, Presented by: Nancy Carter, RN, PhD

This presentation describes how a modified Delphi approach among provincial, territorial and federal principal nursing advisors was used to gain agreement on key actionable messages about advanced practice nurses. Consulting with policy makers provided the necessary context to develop tailored policy messages, and is a helpful approach for others wishing to disseminate research to policy makers.

Poster Presentations

Second Prize winner! Development and testing a nurse practitioner secondary prevention intervention for patients after acute myocardial infarction Presented by Patti Harbman

Evaluating a graduate level primary health care nurse practitioner program: Strategies for success. Presented by Pam Baxter

Pre Conference Workshop

Advanced Practice Nursing in Saskatchewan: A Vision for the Future

Objectives for this workshop included: 1) Identify priority health care needs in Saskatchewan, 2) How can advanced practice nursing roles meet those needs? 3) How can we deploy more of these roles - positions, education, funding?

Panel presenters and speakers included: Denise Bryant-Lukosius, Janet Fulton, Linda Muzio and Lynn Digney Davis, Ruth Martin Misener, Clémence Dallaire, Diane Larrivee, Margot Hawke, Julie Cleverly, R. Roberts and Harold Mueller

Policy Briefs

- 1. Nurse Practitioner Role Development: A Framework to Assess Role Integration
2. Embracing Complexity: A Framework to Advance Collaborative Health Care Culture
3. The Power and Politics of Collaboration in Nurse Practitioner Role Development
4. Cultivating Communities of Practice for Nurse Practitioners
5. The Integrating Journey of Nurse Practitioners in the acute care setting
6. Integration of Nurse Practitioners into Ontario's Primary Healthcare System: Variations across Practice Settings
7. The Consultation Component of the Clinical Nurse Specialist Role

Recent Publications

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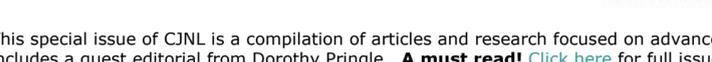
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