

## Upcoming Events

### CHNIG Annual Breakfast Meeting

Saturday April 21st  
8:00-11:00 am

Hilton Suites Toronto/Markham Conference  
Centre & Spa  
8500 Warden Avenue,  
Markham, Ontario, L6G 1A5

Register at [www.RNAO.org](http://www.RNAO.org) today! There will be a panel presentation on "Facilitators & Barriers to the Integration of BPG in Community Health Nursing: Research, Practice and Student Perspectives."

### International Conference in Evidence-based Best practice Guidelines:

Setting the Context for Excellence in Clinical Practice and Healthy  
Work Environments,

June 6-8, 2007  
Markham, Ontario

Conference program and registration form available  
now at [www.rnao.org](http://www.rnao.org)

### Call for Abstracts for the 2007 OPHA Conference, "Public Health: Who's at Risk? What's at Stake?"

November 18-21, 2007  
Toronto, Ontario

Co-hosted by Toronto Public Health. Abstract sub-  
mission will begin March 30th

### 19th IUHPE World Conference on Health Promotion and Health Education

"Health Promotion Comes of Age: Research, Policy & Practice for  
the 21st Century"

June 10-15, 2007  
Vancouver

<http://iuhpeconference.org>  
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250-472-5385

## Of Interest

### [www.chnet-works.ca](http://www.chnet-works.ca)

Upcoming Fireside Chats you may be interested in:  
click on Fireside Chats. The registration link is in the 'drop down'  
menu.

- Friday March 23 1:00 - 2:30 PM EDT- Community Health Nursing (CCHN) Standards in Undergraduate Nursing Schools in Canada
- Wednesday March 28\* 1:00 - 2:30 PM EDT- Child and Youth Physical Inactivity in Canada
- Friday March 30 1:00 - 2:30 PM EDT- Emergency Preparedness
- Thursday April 5th 1:00 - 2:30 PM EDT - The State of Health of Franco-Ontarians: 2005 report
- April - May: Series: Navigating Building Codes. More information coming soon!
- May - June: Series: Active Transportation: Media Messages and Resolutions

### [www.ppforum.ca](http://www.ppforum.ca)

PPF Roundtable on the Future of Homecare.  
Presentations are now available at:<http://ppforum.ca/en/events/>  
Follow the link to the National Roundtable on Homecare.  
The presentations are hyperlinked in PDF format within the  
agenda.

## Communication Corner

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RUTH SCHOFIELD, PRESIDENT

*CHNIG- taking  
action on issues  
affecting community  
health nursing*

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IN THE COMMUNITY.**

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COMMUNITY HEALTH NURSES' Initiatives Group

# Newsletter

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## President's Message

BY RUTH SCHOFIELD

A very happy New Year to everyone! We wish you happiness and health for 2007 and hope you had a wonderful holiday season.

The most exciting event in 2007 for community health nursing is the inaugural 1st National Community Health Nursing Conference on May 3-5 in Toronto. CHNIG and CHNAC Joint Conference Planning Committee were overwhelmed with the huge response of 160 high quality abstracts submitted from across Canada. By the time you read this newsletter the registration will be well underway. If you haven't registered yet, now is the time. Keynote speakers include Rosemary Goodyear, CHNAC President, Judith Shamian, President and CEO of the Victorian Order of Nurses and a dynamic panel on national perspectives in community health nursing. Pre-conference workshops, 70 concurrent workshops, and 35 posters provides a rich learning and networking opportunity to hear the latest research and best practices in community health nursing.

Advocacy and political action related to influencing health policy and advancing the profile of CHN continue to consume our executive's activities. CHNIG executive members participate in the Ministry of Health and Long Term Care Elder Care Task Force (Dr. Cathy Ward-Griffin), the Methadone Task Force (Sue Starling), the Pandemic Planning Task Force (Sue Starling) and the OPHA Core Competencies Task Force (myself). CHNIG attended the ANDSOOHA Fall

Conference and Doris Grinspun, Joyce Fox and myself met with Dr. Sheela Basrur, Chief Medical Officer of Health. Lorraine Vanden Berg, Dr. Marilyn Evans and myself in collaboration with the CNIG, OPHA Breastfeeding Workgroup, and Ontario Breastfeeding Council are lobbying for the inclusion of several breastfeeding BPG recommendations such as the Baby Friendly™ Initiative and Yvette Laforet-Fliesser and Carol MacDougall are lobbying for comprehensive school health in the new provincial public health standards.

On October 23, 2006, CHNIG was invited to speak to the Ontario Community Support Association (OCSA) Nursing Committee at their Conference in Toronto on CHNIG's role in service integration. The presentation is in a following article.

It was exhilarating for CHNIG to co-host with the Ontario Community Health Nursing Standards Coalition, the CHNAC

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## President's Message (cont'd)

BY RUTH SCHOFIELD

Canadian Community Health Nursing Standards (CCHNS) Toolkit, at a provincial workshop in Cornwall Ontario on October 24, 2006 funded by PHAC. The half day pilot workshop and 3 teleconferences involve over 100 community health nursing practice leaders from primarily home health and public health settings and educators from undergraduate nursing programs across Ontario. The toolkit provides a process and resources to facilitate the integration of the CCHNS in practice and nursing education. You will be able to access the CCHNS toolkit soon on the CHNAC website [www.chnac.ca](http://www.chnac.ca).

CHNIG invited Lynn MacFie, Senior Policy Analyst from the Nursing Secretariat to our fall executive meeting. We were updated on a number of Nursing Secretariat initiatives. We were pleased to hear about the Health Force Ontario job portal and about the expansion of the new graduate FT initiative to include community health nursing settings, and the formation of a Task Force of community health nursing leader organizations to inform the new graduate full time initiative.

We learned about the Nursing Secretariat collaboration with the Ministry of Children and Youth Services, on the Healthy Babies Healthy Children program, and with the Public Health Division, on the Capacity Review Committee recommendations regarding the senior nurse leader position. Although we were pleased to hear about the positive response to the 2 year initiative related to clinical simulation equipment into all schools of nursing, we expressed the need within undergraduate education to focus on other nursing skills relevant to community health nursing practice through greater clinical learning opportunities.

We also voiced the importance of the Late Career Initiative to be expanded into community health nursing.

Finally, on January 26, 2007, RNAO Board of Directors' Resolution # 1 with six recommendations passed overwhelming response. On behalf of CHNIG and as CHNIG voting delegate, I commended the Board of Directors for addressing the CNA and RNAO relationship issues that will only strengthen the advocacy agenda on the social determinants of health across Canada.

For further details about the resolution see the RNAO website, members only section. [www.rnao.org](http://www.rnao.org).

In closing I want to acknowledge the incredible work of the CHNIG communication team - Beatrice McDonough, Faye Parascandolo, Katie Dilworth and Erin McLean for their diligence, patience, perseverance and commitment in the development and launch of our much improved new CHNIG website. On a last note this year's AGM is on April 21, 2007 in Markham. I look forward to seeing CHNIG members there.

## Team Reports (cont'd)

review of all resolutions and they are in final draft form for presentation at the AGM. In mid-March all resolutions and background information is included in each Voting Delegate package for the AGM in April. At the AGM after a brief presentation by an author of the resolution on the background and information, there is a vote on the resolution by voting delegates.

### RECOMMENDATIONS FOR SUBMITTING A RESOLUTION:

Resolutions, once decided upon, should be carefully presented and submitted in a manner which will be most acceptable to the voting delegates. Referring to a resolution that has been previously accepted at an AGM is a good place to start. The provincial resolutions committee suggests the following when preparing a resolution:

- A one-page backgrounder, which includes the total references, is the maximum background that should be submitted. This format has proven to be more acceptable to the provincial resolutions committee members and to the voting delegates.

- Limiting the number of "Whereas" to three, compels the submitter to keep the resolution succinct, accurate and precise.

- Limit the "Therefore be it Resolved" to one. This usually forces the submitter to clearly articulate the intent and desired result of the resolution.

By following these guidelines, a clearly-stated and precisely-defined resolution will result, which will be more acceptable to Voting Delegates when reviewing, discussing and voting on same, at the annual general meeting.

### NOW WHAT? OR IN CONCLUSION

To find out what has occurred as a result

of the 2006 resolutions look for RNAO's Annual General Meeting Report booklet for April 2007. This report includes a Report of Resolutions from 2006 AGM. This will be available on the members' only section of the RNAO website.

If you have a matter that you believe CHNIG and RNAO should pay attention to, advocate for change, or increase general awareness of, then a resolution may be an avenue to consider. You can contact CHNIG's Professional Practice Leader in Home Health, Kim Dalla Bona at [KDallaBona@saintelizabeth.com](mailto:KDallaBona@saintelizabeth.com) or the Professional Practice Leader for Public Health, Lorraine Vandenberg at [lorraine.vandenberg@mlhu.on.ca](mailto:lorraine.vandenberg@mlhu.on.ca) for more information.

Note from author: I would like to thank Penny Lamanna, RNAO Board Affairs Coordinator for her assistance in writing this article. ♦

### Communication Team Report

BY BEA MCDONOUGH

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## Professional Practice Team Report

BY LORRAINE VANDENBERG

**Resolutions: Community Health Nurses Resolving for Better Health**

Do you want to shape nursing and health care? As a member of your professional association, you can put forward resolutions for ratification at the annual general meeting. By submitting resolutions, you are giving RNAO a mandate to speak on behalf of all its members. You can play a vital role in ensuring nurses' voices are heard and in advancing healthy public policy across the province and elsewhere. RNAO encourages chapters, regions without chapters, interest groups and individual members to submit resolutions for ratification at the annual general meeting.

The Community Health Nurses Initiatives' Group (CHNIG) always welcomes involvement of interest group members. If you have an issue that needs to be heard CHNIG executive members are available to work with you to consider the best venue to deliver that message, a resolution for the Registered Association of Nurses (RNAO) Annual General Meeting (AGM) may be one such venue.

### WHAT IS A RESOLUTION?

A resolution is a formal expression of opinion or intention by a meeting; agreed to by a vote (modified from Oxford Dictionary of Current English, 1998). For example, at the 2006 AGM CHNIG submitted three resolutions. One of the resolutions, Resolution 7, was submitted jointly by three interest groups, the Childbirth Nurses Interest Group (CNIG), CHNIG and Paediatric Nurses Interest Group (PedNIG). This resolution called for RNAO to collaborate with the Ontario Breastfeeding Committee to lobby the Ontario Government to support the implementation of the Baby Friendly TM

Initiative in Ontario hospitals, public health units and other community health services. You can find more information on this resolution and other CHNIG led resolutions on our Web site at [www.chnig.org](http://www.chnig.org). Information on all other 2006 resolutions can be found in the members' only section of the RNAO website.

### WHAT IS THE PROCESS? OR HOW DOES IT WORK?

Within RNAO, a provincial resolutions committee exists to receive and prepare resolutions for presentation to the Annual Meeting, in accordance with policies and procedures established by the Board of Directors. This committee is composed of four members of RNAO, elected by the voting delegates at the AGM.

According to the RNAO by-laws, resolutions can be submitted "throughout the year and up to 1700 hours on the Monday of the 14th week immediately proceeding the week in which the AGM is to be held" (RNAO By-

Laws-Section 4.09). For example, in 2007 the AGM is being held April 19 to April 21 so the deadline for resolutions to be submitted was early January. However, RNAO has a process in place for resolutions received after the deadline and on the morning of the AGM.

To prepare for the AGM and presentation of the resolutions the provincial resolutions committee follows a standard process. Usually around August or September RNAO posts a call for resolutions in the Registered Nurse Journal and RNAO Web site for the following spring AGM. Once the resolutions have been received the provincial resolutions committee collaborate with submitters to prepare the resolutions for presentation at the AGM. By January/February the provincial resolutions committee has completed a

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## Team Reports

### Education and Research Team Report

TEAM LEADER-CATHERINE WARD-GRIFFIN

As chair of the Education and Research team, I received the following letter from the 2006/2007 CHNIG Educational Bursary winner, Erin McLean. With her permission I would like to share her comments.

I am honoured to be named the 2006/2007 CHNIG educational bursary recipient! As a community case manager for the Hamilton Community Care Access Centre, I share a love for community nursing with all other CHNIG members. Specifically, my area of nursing interest surrounds community geriatric care, in particular the caregivers of the loved ones with dementia. Given the increasing length of wait for long-term care beds in Ontario (sometimes a several year wait) our community caregivers are being increasingly relied upon. Unfortunately, there is a marked lack of available, methodologically-sound research in this particular area.

Therefore, in my other role, as a full-time Master's of Science student at McMaster University, I am undergoing thesis research, searching to explore the research question "How do female informal caregivers cope while awaiting long-term care placement of their spouse with dementia?". I hope that this and future research will serve to bring to light this unique caregiving experience, ideally leading to a better understanding of how to support this population, both in terms of home care and other community resources. Thank-you very much for honouring me with this award; the CHNIG bursary will serve to give voice to this very important part of the community care continuum.

### Membership Benefits Team

BY MARTINA CUILLERIER

If you are a new CHNIG member, you should have received a postcard in the mail welcoming you to CHNIG and providing you with some information about CHNIG.

For those of you that continue to renew their membership, CHNIG thanks you for your support. In fact, CHNIG continues to be the largest professional interest group within RNAO, and we plan to stay that way. Our numbers continue to grow with a current membership total of 1956!

As Membership Chair, I will be hosting the CHNIG booth at the RNAO AGM in April, so please feel free to stop by and introduce yourself or bring prospective members by to find out more information about CHNIG. I am also the person to contact regarding the great Community Health Nursing/Public Health Nursing T-shirts you may have seen around.

I continue to be active on the National Community Health Nursing Conference Publicity Committee and have been busy ensuring all of our CHNIG members receive a copy of their invitation & registration form for this much-anticipated educational conference. Some of you may receive a hard copy in the mail, while others will receive an e-copy if you have provided RNAO with your email address. All important info is available at [www.CHNIG.org](http://www.CHNIG.org).

I look forward to reviewing more applications for the upcoming CHNIG Clinical Excellence Award (see website for details). Deadline is March 30, 2007.



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# Ontario Standards Coalition Update

BY CHERYL REID-HAUGHIAN

The Ontario Standards Coalition, co chaired by Cheryl Reid-Haughian and Dr. Liz Diem, continues to work together as an inter-organizational team committed to moving forward integration of Canadian Community Health Nursing Standards in Ontario. There are four distinct areas of work to report on.

1. Dr. Liz Diem has been leading a research project team with Cheryl Reid-Haughian, Ruth Schofield, and Jo Ann Tober focused on a Workshop and Teleconference Strategy using CCHN Standards Toolkit to integrate the Standards into practice. Preliminary results are demonstrating the value in comm.- to the 1st National Community Health Nursing Conference on May 2 from 1730 to 2130 for practitioners and educators.
2. A proposal, for funding, focused on inter-professional, inter-organizational preceptorship is being finalized.
3. Together with CHNAC, CHNIG and the coalition we are submitting a research proposal investigating communities of practice as a knowledge translation and exchange strategy. Understanding the linkages between the strategy and integration will be the focus.

4. In the past six months the Coalition has been actively seeking out opportunities to share our work through poster and oral presentations in conference venues. Our work will be shared at:
  - a. NLN Conference March 30-31, 2007, poster presentation by Jo Ann Tober
  - b. CHNAC/CHING first National conference- pre-conference May 3 in am to share experiences with projects in Alberta, Halifax and BC in using the CCHN Standards Toolkit
  - c. CHNAC/CHING first National conference- presentation May 5 at conference
  - d. IUHPE in Vancouver- accepted for joint poster or presentation with Vancouver, Alberta, Halifax- will be given by Alison Nelson (Alberta)

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Here is your CHNIG team



## 1st National Conference for Community Health Nurses: Mapping the Future for Better Health

Focusing on innovation, leadership and integration, this conference is scheduled to be held May 3-5, 2007 at the Westin Prince Hotel in Toronto, Ontario, Canada. The conference is co-hosted by the Community Health Nurses Association of Canada (CHNAC) and the Community Health Nurses' Initiatives Group (CHNIG).

This year CHNAC celebrates its 20th anniversary. In these two decades the association and community health nursing have moved through a number of developmental milestones. As a profession and association CHNAC has grown through innovation, leadership and integration. Rosemarie Goodyear, President, CHNAC, will, as opening keynote speaker, take an opportunity to reflect on CHNAC's ability to capitalize on opportunities and strategically position CHNAC for the future.

In addition to 70 oral presentations and more than thirty poster presentations submitted by Community Health Nurses across Canada, plenary sessions include:

- Home Care Canada: The Unfinished Policy. The Need for a Paradigm Shift  
Judith Shamian, RN, PhD, CHE, VON  
Canada

- The Certification Experience  
Kim Dalla Bona, RN, MScN(e), CCHN(C),  
Saint Elizabeth Health Care  
Lorraine Vandenberg, RN, BScN, MPH,  
CCHN(C), Middlesex London Health Unit
- Aboriginal Nurses' Perspectives  
on Community Health Nursing:  
Opportunities and Challenges  
Gaye Hanson, RN, BScN, MPA, Hanson  
and Associates, Whitehorse, YT

The conference will end with a panel discussion, focusing on national community health nursing perspectives related to research, practice, education and administration and, will celebrate the challenges and advances in Community Health Nursing in Canada.

Program highlights and registration information are now available! For more information please visit [www.chnac.ca](http://www.chnac.ca) or [www.chnig.org](http://www.chnig.org).

### OPHA Report

BY SUE STARLING

CHNIG will be part of the consultation process with OPHA to discuss the mandatory programs revisions and will develop a response to the Ministry on March 5, 2007.

It is with great pleasure that Connie Utrecht has accepted the position of Executive Director of OPHA starting on March 1, 2007. We are excited that under Connie's leadership, OPHA will emerge as an even stronger voice for public health in Ontario.

## In the News

### Ontario RNs applaud investment in nursing's future

TORONTO, Feb. 27, 2007 – Ontario nurses praise today's announcement by the provincial government to guarantee full-time employment to every new nursing graduate, beginning immediately.

"This is outstanding news for nurses who are just starting their careers," says Mary Ferguson-Paré, president of the Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario (RNAO). "It sends a clear message to graduates that the government is committed to them and wants them to use their knowledge, skills and compassion to take care of people here at home."

James Chu, president of the Nursing Students of Ontario (NSO), an RNAO interest group that represents more than 20,000 students in the province, says today's announcement is a "win-win" for all new and future nursing graduates in Ontario. "I know that Ontario is committed to help us secure full-time employment," says Chu, a new grad himself. "Let's hope that all new graduates will take advantage of this dynamic initiative across the province."

The initiative, which provides \$89 million in funding for up to 4,000 nursing graduates and multi-year funding is something RNAO has been advocating for several years. "We're delighted that the government recognizes the importance of finding home-grown solutions because this, along with other measures such as the Late Career Initiative, is how we can work together to ensure there are enough nurses to care for Ontarians today and in the years to come," says Doris Grinspun, RNAO's executive director. "Ontario has the real potential to become the first North American jurisdiction to make the nursing shortage history," she adds.

2007 Annual general meeting Report. You can view this report online at [www.rnao.org/report](http://www.rnao.org/report)

Voting delegates will receive a hard copy of this report in their Voting Delegate information package.

[www.chnig.org](http://www.chnig.org) for ongoing updates, resources and breaking news...  
The members only section will be available in April 2007.





# CALL FOR NOMINATIONS CHNIG Executive 2007-2008

In accordance with CHNIG By- Law D. Nominations.

Candidates for office shall be nominated in writing, and nominations in writing and nominations shall be delivered to the President or Past President up until one week prior to the CHNIG Annual General Meeting i.e. Friday April 13, 2007. Candidates for office may be nominated from the floor provided they are present or have submitted a candidate's statement in writing.

Signatures of at least two CHNIG members who support the nomination must accompany nominations. Nominees will submit a letter outlining their interest in the position. Candidates nominated from the floor may present their statements verbally at the annual meeting to be held on Saturday, April 21, 2007. These positions are two-year terms.

#### THE PRESIDENT-ELECT:

- 1.) Perform such duties as may be assigned by the Executive Committee or the President.
- 2.) In the absence of the President, perform the duties of the President.
- 3.) Assume the office of President when the President's term expires.

#### TEAM LEADER-POLICY AND POLITICAL ACTION

- 1.) Provide leadership for political action activities within CHNIG and responding to RNAO Action Alerts.
- 2.) Establish relationships with key political leaders in all parties and network with other stakeholders in collaboration with the president.
- 3.) Recommend a course of action on policy issues to the Executive Committee
- 4.) Advise RNAO on emerging issues.
- 5.) Give input to activities undertaken by RNAO on issues which affect the clients and practice of CHNs.
- 6.) Represent CHNIG on related committees as requested by the President or Executive Committee.

#### TEAM LEADER- RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

- 1.) Monitor developments in research and education of CHNs.
- 2.) Administer SEED money funding (advertise, review applications, make selections).
- 3.) Develop position statements on research and education issues as necessary.
- 4.) Give input to RNAO on research and education issues as they relate to CHNs.
- 5.) Represent CHNIG on related committees as requested by the President or Executive Committee.

#### THE STUDENT MEMBER:

- 1.) Provide input to RNAO and CHNIG on relevant issues from a student's perspective.
- 2.) Promote CHNIG and RNAO's perspectives, links, resources and awards to peers in nursing programs.
- 3.) Identify community and home health nursing student education issues to CHNIG.

- 4.) Network with other student nursing associations, especially the Ontario Regional Director of the Canadian Nursing Students' Association (CNSA) and the Provincial Nursing Students' Interest Group (Nursing Students of Ontario-NSO) on a regular basis.
- 5.) Contribute to the overall goals of CHNIG and RNAO where possible.

PLEASE CONTACT Marlene Slepko, Past President and Chair of Nominations at 905-6881016 or e-mail howaslep@niagara.com or Ruth Schofield President 905-525-9140ex26593 schofir@mcmaster.ca

### CHNIG Nomination Form:

Position \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's address \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Phone: Home \_\_\_\_\_

Work \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's Professional Position \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's RNAO Membership Number \_\_\_\_\_

**Endorsements:**

1. CHNIG Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

RNAO # \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

2. CHNIG Member Name \_\_\_\_\_

RNAO # \_\_\_\_\_

SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee's letter outlining interest in position submitted YES  No