Canadian Nursing Informatics Association

The CNIA Newsblast delivers informatics news from Canada and around the world to our members and subscribers.

CNIA stands with its members and all Canadians

As the voice for Nursing Informatics across Canada, the CNIA stands together with all Canadians to address racism and racial inequities. There is no place for racism and bias in our community and we have zero tolerance for it. We embrace diversity and we will work to ensure inclusivity, mutual respect and equity.

In the coming weeks our CNIA Executive will reflect on systemic racism and its ongoing contribution to injustice and inequality. We will ensure adequate strategies and resources are in place and available to our members to address racism.

Please read this statement released June 2, 2020 by the [Chief Commissioner of the Human Rights Commission](#)

I also encourage you to read this article written by Keisha Jefferies at Dalhousie University - May 13, 2020 [Recognizing history of black nurses a first step to addressing racism and discrimination in nursing](#)

If you would like to contribute to this discussion please email me at president@cnia.ca

Best regards,
Glynda Rees RN MSN
CNIA President

The CNIA AGM will be held on June 25, 2020

This virtual meeting will occur at:
9:00 am PST
12:00 pm EST

12:00 pm EST
1:00 pm AST

Please see the Agenda for more details and for Zoom log-in instructions
CNIA AGM Agenda - June 25, 2020.docx

CNIA Webinar

Island Health's Integrated Electronic Health Record Streamlines Information Flow During the COVID-19 Pandemic

Presenter:
Amy Williams
Director, Clinical Informatics at Island Health
When:
Wednesday, June 24, 2020 12:00 - 1:00 EST

Amy will share the innovative ways that Island Health employed EHR technology across the health care system in response to COVID-19 - including public screening, community monitoring and acute care treatment, all while managing patient and staff safety. Join the webinar to learn how Island Health has integrated all venues of care, including primary care, acute care, home care and Public Health surveillance.

Archived CNIA Webinars

Available for members only - access to archived CNIA webinars, including:

March 19, 2020 - **Identifying Nursing Informatics Competencies for Canadian Nursing Leaders**

December 11, 2019 - **Giving "Voice" to our Patients/Health Consumers through the Power of Big Data Science**

November 21, 2019 - **Nursing Knowledge Representation in Standardized Clinical Terminologies**

And more.....

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e-Health 2020 Virtual PopUp

Monday, July 20 and Tuesday, July 21 | 1:00 to 4:30 PM EST

Announcing the first-ever e-Health Virtual PopUp!
Registration is open with amazing Special Summer Pricing that makes eHealth's high-calibre learning and networking accessible to anyone. Take advantage of Early Bird Savings on now!

Register

New Scholarship supports nurses in health information sciences

Canadian healthcare is going through one of its most dramatic changes in history. From specialized devices to robotics, to technology-driven information systems and health records, technology is changing the way every one of us experiences healthcare. But, who is leading this transformation? Does technology drive health care or will health care and practice shape how technology is used?

These are some of the pressing concerns that led former nurse Paulette Lacroix to establish the Paulette Lacroix Nursing Informatics Leadership Scholarship. This scholarship supports nursing students in UVic's Master of Nursing and Master of Science in Health Informatics combined program, and in doing so, puts nurse leaders at the forefront of the information technology revolution.

For more information about the scholarship, please go to the website.

CNA calls on Government to Redesign Long Term Care

If you have any suggestions of what can be done now to improve long-term care, please send your suggestions to me at emorin@cna-aiic.ca.

Le français suit.

Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) calls for decisive action to respond to the staggering effects COVID-19 has had on our health-care system, economy and lives in their report **2020 Vision Improving Long-Term Care for People in Canada**. "While a Canada-wide public health campaign to flatten the curve has largely spared our hospitals the devastation witnessed in countries like Italy and the United States, the pandemic has exposed long-standing vulnerabilities in Canada's long-term care (LTC) sector," said CNA president Claire Betker. Canada has had unacceptable rates of COVID-19-related deaths in LTC; by late April, 79% of the country's deaths due to COVID-19 were linked to outbreaks in these care facilities. "These tragic numbers are in part a result of decades of neglect of the LTC sector and a growing mismatch between the level of care required by people living in those settings," said Betker.

L'Association des infirmières et infirmiers du Canada (AIIC) demande une intervention décisive pour réagir aux effets bouleversants de la COVID-19 sur notre système de santé, notre économie et nos vies dans leur rapport **Vision de 2020 : améliorer les soins de longue durée pour les personnes au Canada**. « Même si une campagne de santé publique à l'échelle du Canada afin d'aplanir la courbe a grandement épargné nos hôpitaux de la dévastation dont nous avons été témoins dans d'autres pays, comme l'Italie et les États-Unis, la pandémie a mis au jour des vulnérabilités de longue date dans le secteur des soins de longue durée (SLD) au Canada », a déclaré la présidente de l'AIIC, Claire Betker.Le Canada a enregistré des taux inacceptables de décès liés à la COVID-19 dans les maisons de SLD; avant la fin d'avril, 79 % des décès en raison de la COVID-19 au pays étaient liés aux éclosions dans ces établissements de soins. « Ce nombre tragique de décès s'explique en partie par la négligence du secteur des SLD durant des décennies et une disparité croissante entre le niveau de soins nécessaires pour les personnes vivant dans ces établissements », selon Betker.

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The Impact Of Covid-19 On Health Informatics: Supporting Health Information Technology Innovation Through Timely Knowledge Synthesis And Exchange

Calling all health informatics professionals! We know you're all busy deploying HIT to combat COVID19. Please answer this 5 minute survey so we can summarize and share your expertise and lessons learned w/ the health informatics community.

https://tinyurl.com/covidhit

Have an informatics item of interest to our members or subscribers?
Send it along to: communications@cnia.ca