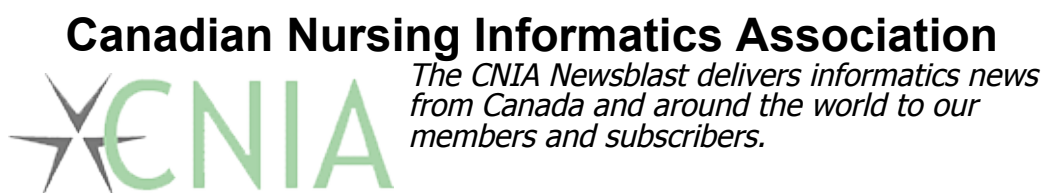


CNIA Newsblast: February 2023 BLAST



From the Desk of the Communications Co-Director

We are so pleased to have more details to share about the upcoming annual CNIA conference being held in Calgary June 14 - 16, 2023. With the winter weather we are currently having across much of Canada, June seems like a long way off, but it is just around the corner! See registration details and take advantage of the early bird rates. Not a member yet? Join now and save on the conference registration fee. Meet yet another conference Featured Speaker - Dr. Richard Booth.

It's not just awards season for TV and movies either! See the two awards/scholarships CNIA is so happy to support. Share these with colleagues and students that you know who would benefit from this type of support.

Meet two more very long-time CNIA members who have much to share about their wonderful careers. Learn about their journeys and the types of work they do in health informatics.

Helen Edwards
CNIA Communications Co-Director





The CNIA 2023 Conference is just around the corner! The presenters for the concurrent, rapid fire and poster sessions are being finalized. We are excited to welcome you all back to an in-person conference in Calgary, with a virtual option also available.

[Conference hotels](#) have been arranged - both are within walking distance of the conference venue - the University of Calgary, Downtown Campus, Event Centre.

[Registration](#) is now open.

Meet Another Featured Speaker

Featured Session: Embracing the Digital Future
Dr. Richard Booth RN BScN MScN PhD



Dr. Booth is an associate professor in the Arthur Labatt Family School of Nursing at Western University, and a clinician researcher with an active research program exploring psychiatric-mental health nursing, health informatics, and human-technical relationships. He is interested in convergence of data, technology, and people as related to practice and nursing education. Richard has a particular

interest in the use of emergent technologies in healthcare and their resulting intended and unintended consequences on practice and society-at-large. He currently holds both provincial and federal research grants, and supervises a range of graduate students at the masters and doctoral levels.

CNIA Awards and Funding

Récompenses et financement de la CNIA

We're thrilled to re-launch our two main awards to encourage and support nurses and students in informatics! See below and our awards page for more details and instructions for each scholarship: www.cnia.ca/awards

Award for Strengthening and Diversifying Nursing Informatics

Two \$1000 awards + free conference registration will be made available. Applicants (either working nurses OR nursing students) will be asked to share how historically under-represented perspectives in nursing informatics, including their own, are necessary to improve digital health for all.

Link to 2023 application form: <https://forms.gle/6sE7zdpwe2VtCqVm9>

Deadline to apply: April 14th, 2023, 5pm EST.

Dr. Kathryn J. Hannah Scholarship for doctoral students

In honour of Dr. Kathryn J. Hannah's ongoing leadership in nursing informatics, the CNIA launched an award with the Canadian Nurses Foundation several years ago. The award is up to \$4000 for graduate students. Please see the Canadian Nurses Foundation scholarship application [portal](#) for further details. Profiles of past winners can be found on the CNF website, as well as through our CNIA newsblast profiles. The deadline to apply for this scholarship through the CNF portal is March 15th, 2023.

Please share widely! We look forward to reading about your exciting work in nursing informatics.

Nous sommes très heureux de relancer nos deux principaux prix pour encourager et soutenir les infirmier(ière)s et étudiant(e)s en informatique ! Voir ci-dessous et

notre page de prix pour plus de détails et les instructions pour chaque bourse :www.cnia.ca/awards

Prix pour le renforcement et la diversification de l'informatique infirmier(ière)

Deux prix de 1000 \$ + inscription gratuite à la conférence seront offerts. Les candidats (infirmier(ière)s en activité OU étudiant(e)s en soins infirmiers) devront expliquer comment les perspectives sous-représentées dans l'informatique infirmière sont nécessaires pour améliorer la santé numérique pour tous, y compris leur propre perspective, à travers l'histoire.

Lien vers le formulaire de candidature pour 2023 :<https://forms.gle/6sE7zdpwe2VtCqVm9>

Bourse d'études Dr Kathryn J. Hannah

En honneur du leadership continu du Dr Kathryn J. Hannah dans le domaine de l'informatique infirmière, la CNIA a lancé une bourse avec la Fondation des infirmières et infirmiers du Canada. La bourse peut atteindre 4 000 \$ pour les étudiant(e)s de maîtrise ou de doctorat.

Veuillez consulter le [portail](#) de demande de bourse de la Fondation des infirmières et infirmiers du Canada pour plus de détails. Vous trouverez les profils des anciens lauréats sur le site de la FIIC, ainsi que dans le bulletin d'information de la CNIA. La date limite de candidature à cette bourse d'études via le portail de la FIIC est le 15 mars 2023.

Merci de partager largement ! Nous avons hâte de lire votre travail passionnant dans le domaine de l'informatique infirmière.

Member Profiles





Terri LeFort, RN, MBA
President, Nordic International

Terri serves as President, International, for Nordic Consulting, a global health and technology consulting firm that helps healthcare leaders harness the power of technology so the people they care for can thrive. Terri sets policy and strategic direction for Nordic's international markets, ensuring close coordination with the U.S. and fulfilling the company's mission and financial targets. She ensures integration and standardization across geographies, bolstering Nordic's efforts as a global leader that also addresses local needs.

A 30-year healthcare veteran, Terri began her career on the clinical side. As a Registered Nurse she worked within acute care, public health, and home care. She moved from bedside to management at a time that coincided with the emergence of a few major Canadian health IT initiatives. She led several technology implementations and initiatives, working with everything from provincial reporting systems to implementing electronic tools within clinical environments.

Prior to joining Nordic, Terri led Healthtech for 20 years, guiding healthcare organizations through successful patient safety and clinician adoption initiatives. She has significant experience in clinical systems assessment, planning, and implementation, along with CPOE and electronic medication management. She has spoken internationally on electronic clinical documentation best practices and is an industry leader in advanced clinical system planning and implementation.



Elizabeth Nemeth, RN, MN
VP, Business Development, Implementation & Support, Cerner Practice, Healthtech

Elizabeth is a Registered Nurse who, over her 35-year career, has held various positions from front-line nursing to senior executive roles. As a Vice President at Healthtech, a Nordic Global Company, Elizabeth drives Clients & Growth opportunities and has a particular focus on Oracle Cerner implementation and support consulting practice. She connects client partners to best-in-class advisory services to ensure clinical transformation is embedded into technology adoption initiatives.

Elizabeth began her career in acute care settings as a Registered Nurse. Her expertise spans rural, urban, teaching hospitals, and integrated regional healthcare systems. She has worked across acute, community, and primary care in a range of scenarios, including single site to complex multi-site organizations, regional hubs, and provincial initiatives.

Since joining Healthtech as a consultant in 2006, she has held several key leadership roles in a wide variety of large-scale, small-scale, and jurisdictional projects across the healthcare sector in Canada. She has significant consulting experience in advisory services, implementation, business development, project and vendor management, governance, consensus building, current state assessments, process redesign, and clinical adoption.

Elizabeth enjoys working in the digital health space where she can improve healthcare for all. The aspect she finds most rewarding is partnering with clients on clinically led technology and advisory projects that transform care delivery for their organizations.

For those considering a career in informatics, Elizabeth states:

There is a growing demand for health informatics professionals, especially as laws and society demand the digitization and accessibility of information. The amount of information and data that we are collecting today, and the access and use of data is becoming quite complex. There is an increased need for more people to have knowledge and expertise in this field.

I feel that a career as a health informatics professional is a unique and impactful career path. It is interdisciplinary in nature and combines the benefits of working in healthcare and using technology to improve and create positive change in patients' and providers' lives. This is one of the few careers where a nurse can reform and shape nationwide processes, and impact clinical practice and standardization within healthcare organizations—all while becoming a leader in the field.

Have an informatics item of interest to our members or subscribers?
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