

SUBMITTED BY:**IPNIG - Communication Networking Liaison****Jill King Reg.N, B.Sc. (N), COHN(C), COHN-S, Intl. ASA****1. RNAO END: Engage with registered nurses and nursing students to stimulate membership and promote the value of belonging to their professional organization.***October**2012 IPNIG Newsletter #6 – All Independent Practice Nurses (IPN) are asked to consider joining a growing ... [click here to read more](#)*

Interest Group Chairs meeting Jan 31 - At the IG Chairs meeting an attendee presented a professional practice profile that enlightened many to the specialty advance practice of Perioperative Nursing.

2. RNAO END: RNAO advances the role and image of nurses as members of a vital, knowledge-driven, caring profession, and as significant contributors to health.**ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING Saturday, November 24, 2012 *MINUTES ... [Click here](#)*****IPNIG AGM Nov 24, 2012- Executive approved Strategic Plan 2012 -2104**

- To guide in the development and implementation of quality professional nursing practice standards
- To strengthen the professional recognition of registered nurses in independent practice within the community health care system
- To increase public awareness and build partnerships for the business operation of nurses in independent practice
- To promote recognition by health care system and equitable pay for services of nurses working in independent practice
- To create educational opportunities and funding resources

Research Project 2012 - 2014 To research [using external research assistance] the credibility and viability of independent and interdependent practice nursing care services to the community by using research criteria of Credibility, Competency, Consistency and Continuity of their services.

To use target audiences e.g. pilot member's opinion surveys and public stakeholders surveys, for input to and record themes of health care system experience and care providers services.

To obtain vital statistic e.g. the number of Registered Nurses working independently or interdependently in nursing in Ontario / Canada

Policy, practices and political actions: to join other nursing colleagues to create open forum sessions in various locations in the province to get public input from stakeholders on experience with health care system and their knowledge of Independent practice nurses existence. By doing public forum meetings we can collect specific "health care" information to guide our next moves.

"Meet Ups" co jointly sponsor with nursing colleagues to network with nurses and health care colleagues, to informally share practice knowledge and to be aware of the diversity of IPNs work.

Promote independent practice specialty nursing health care services that impact the health of people in the community where they live, work and play!

Primary Health Care Principles PHC [What is PHC! Definition Primary Health Care](#)

Advance awareness of private practice nurse scope of practice that provides essential health care services delivered to community clients to enable health promotion, prevent from harm and protect from further health deterioration.

IPNIG Strategy Meeting Dec 19, 2012

- Meeting Dec. 19, 2012, IPNIG executive discussed how monthly "Meet Ups" with other nursing and health care colleagues could occur.
- IPNIG discussed joining with other nursing colleagues to create open public forum sessions around the province to get input from the general population on health care system and the public knowledge of what and where registered nurses work

3. RNAO END: RNAO speaks out on emerging issues that impact on nurses and the nursing profession, health and health care.

IPNIG is motivated by the research by, National Expert Commission (CNA June 2012). '*A Nursing Call to Action: The health of our nation, the future of our health system*' e.g. results indicate

- Only 10% of the nursing care capabilities in Canada are utilized, as opposed to 80% registered nursing care utilization in other countries
- That 75% of health care costs are paid outside the current health care system.

"It is Time to Speak Out" to lobby for policy that recognizes the highly qualified expertise of nurses in independent private practice. The IPNIG Executive revised and strengthened their four goals [Policy](#), [Practice and Political Activity](#)! Specifically aimed to gain recognition and equality for nurses working in independent practice.[read more](#)

4. RNAO END: RNAO influences healthy public policy to positively impact the determinants of health, supporting Medicare and strengthening a publicly funded, not-for-profit health-care system.

Jan 15, 2013

Meeting with Lois Brown MP Newmarket - Aurora to discuss Ways and Means for Federal Health Care dollars spending for Health Care in Canada. We primarily discussed past, present and future federal dollar spending. We discussed a need to modernize the Canada Health Act. We discussed the financial cost of Health Care and the growing need especially in light of Ontario's 17 billion dollar health care debt.

Jan 16, 2013 - Presentation at Lois Brown's community public meeting with local residents of Newmarket, re current financial status of Ontario Health Care system, the need for increased professional health care services due to aging *Boomer* population, necessity to plan for upcoming tsunami of "aging" by 2030 [25 % increase all health care dollars] and lack of current long term care facilities, Presented budget to integrate a national health care strategy in inclusive all provinces, making full integration of all registered nurses from current 10% utilization of nursing practice capabilities to 80% utilization of nursing care capabilities

inclusive of recognition by health care system and equitable pay for nurses working in independent practice.