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### Members Profiles Needed!

All IPN members are asked to share their success stories. Your IPN editor would be happy to feature your story in an upcoming IPN e news letter.

Please send to [admin@ipnig.ca](mailto:admin@ipnig.ca)

## Know Who We Are, What We Do

### Who are IPN?

Independent Practice Nurses are Professional Registered Nurses who serve the community in a variety of specialized health care settings, and perform a broad range of diversified nursing care services.

### How do IPN Provide Health Care?

Independent Practice Nurses provide community health care by direct nursing care, by educating patients or as specialized health consultants who administer needed programs.

### Why Independent Practice Nurses?

Modern society is shifting towards a new trend in meeting health care needs. The public pressure is increasing daily for a wider variety of health care services.

### What's Needed: 'New' Modern Health Care Services

There is a growing demand for community, family and individual health care that is focused on **prevention, education, health protection** and **health maintenance**. This necessitates skilled health care providers to meet the **new health care needs**.

The traditional role of a registered nurse has evolved in the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Independent practice registered nurses are creating innovative 'new' professional health care settings and new best practice nursing skills to ensure their clients' health needs are met.

### What is the outcome?

Independent Practice Nurses joined together to strengthen and voice the recognition of their services.

Independent Practice Nurses acknowledge the public pressure for a wider variety of health care services.

Independent Practice Nurses deliver specialized high-quality professional health care services to meet the new demands of a health conscious society.

## Message from Michael Decker Chair, Health Council of Canada

The Health Council of Canada reports that Canadians are anxious about the future of the health care system. Will quality health care be there when needed? Renewing and strengthening health care is an important issue for Canadians. This means modernizing how we provide services and broadening the services provided.

The Health Council of Canada will provide information to Canadians to encourage their participation in determining how best to achieve renewal. Canadians have a pivotal role in ensuring that we get the best value out of the funding in place. Health care professionals and providers have given advice and are working to develop new and innovative approaches to meet the complex health service needs of Canadians. Renewal efforts will not be successful unless Canadians are involved.

The Health Council of Canada has completed a new strategic plan to guide its future work. Over the next five years, we will continue to take the pulse of health and health care in Canada and shine a light on progress of health care renewal, as envisioned in the First Ministers' accords.

In the coming years, the Health Council of Canada will work with our partners to pursue three strategic directions:

### Strategic Direction 1

Deepen public understanding of the features of a sustainable and high-performing health care system.

### Strategic Direction 2

Support the health care community in its pursuit of high-potential opportunities to achieve a sustainable and high-performing health care system.

### Strategic Direction 3

Monitor and report on successes and challenges in achieving a sustainable and high-performing health care system.

[http://www.healthcouncilcanada.ca/en/index.php?option=com\\_content&task=view&id=222&Itemid=3](http://www.healthcouncilcanada.ca/en/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=222&Itemid=3)

Health Council of Canada  
**STRATEGIC PLAN**  
2008/2009 – 2012/2013

## The Global Age Friendly Cities Initiative

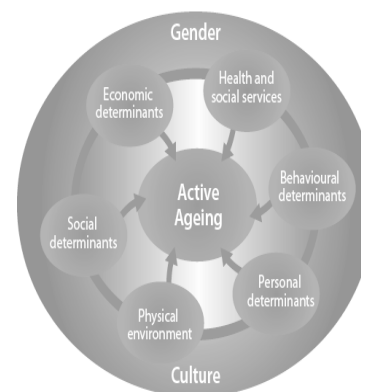
The World Health Organization (WHO) spearheaded the "Global Age Friendly Cities Initiative" with 33 international pilot cities (including 3 in Canada) identifying key components and indicators that maximize the social capital and inclusion of citizens of different ages and abilities.

The information was collated and then disseminated as a multi-use guide for groups, organizations and governments working toward developing age sensitive environments (World Health Organization, 2007).

The guide recognizes that material conditions, as well as social factors, affect the quality and quantity of years spent in the community.

### Determinants of Active Aging

Figure illustrates the interplay of these factors which were used to identify goals and chart progress over time.



University of Toronto  
Institute for Life Course and Aging  
**Mapping Aging in Place in a Changing Neighbourhood**  
<http://aging.utoronto.ca/node/90>

## Upcoming Events

Nov 20, 2010

Morning workshop 9:00am to 11:00am  
ABC of Networking, Limited Registration

Afternoon Workshop  
1:30pm to 3:30pm

Hilton Garden Inn Toronto Airport West / Mississauga  
1870 Matheson Blvd., Mississauga, Ontario

IPN is investigating an AGM "Webinar". Details are not yet finalized.

## Independent Practice Nurses Interest Group Conference "How to Start Your Own Business"

April 2, 2011

This is a FREE Event for Professional Registered Nurses!  
Mark your calendars: Saturday April 2, 2011

The conference theme  
**HOW TO START YOUR OWN BUSINESS**

Come hear:  
*The ABC's For Entrepreneurs*  
Gloria Pierre, Communication Coach

*The Art of Starting from Scratch*  
Savvy Business Professionals

Lunch Hour  
Meet exhibitors who are Registered Nurses, successful in starting their own business!

This is a Win - Win day for all Registered Nurses

Hilton Garden Inn Toronto Airport West / Mississauga  
1870 Matheson Blvd., Mississauga, Ontario  
**Website:** [www.mississaugatorontoairport.hgi.coms](http://www.mississaugatorontoairport.hgi.coms)

Final Details will be sent shortly  
Registration is Limited

**IPN Wants Volunteers for Committee Work  
Get Involved  
Contribute to IPN Goals!  
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### Member Survey

**Do IPN Members want a Professional Directory?**

**Would a Directory Enhance Communication?**

Please Respond on line **NETWORKING**  
[www.ipnig.ca](http://www.ipnig.ca) by Oct 20, 2010

1. Do IPN members need a Networking Directory?  
Yes No
2. Do IPN members want a Professional Directory on the IPN web site?  
Yes No
3. Have you used the on line Professional Directory called **Linked In**?  
Yes No
4. Would you use **Linked In** if controlled by IPN web site?  
Yes No

### IPN Volunteer Mentor's Page

The IPN Membership and Recruitment committee have produced an IPN Mentorship Instruction Page.

This is a one page guideline to the events and work that IPN executive and volunteers do!

IPN membership thought it best to give IPN members a "heads up". This information "mentors" you to what is expected and what benefits you will receive as volunteers!

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