



® **OPERATING ROOM NURSES ASSOCIATION OF CANADA**

Perioperative Nurses Week

November 13 – 19, 2011

Proclamation

The Operating Room Nurses Association of Canada (ORNAC) is honored to recognize and highlight the contributions of perioperative Registered Nurses to patient care. This year Perioperative Nurses Week is November 13 - 19, 2011. This is the time to recognize and acknowledge all perioperative nursing colleagues across Canada.

The theme for the 2011 Perioperative Nurses Week is:

“Every surgical patient deserves a perioperative Registered Nurse”

It is the depth and breadth of knowledge that the perioperative Registered Nurse possesses that sets them apart from all other health care providers in the perioperative environment. “Using critical thinking skills that are guided by the ORNAC Standards, Guidelines and Position Statements for Perioperative Registered Nursing Practice and provincial legislation, nursing knowledge is used to address the physiological, psychological, socio-cultural, and spiritual responses of the patient” (p. 17).

Please commend yourself for continually striving for excellence in patient care and remember “you are a vital part of patient safety”.

Happy Perioperative Nurses Week!!

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