



OPERATING ROOM NURSES ASSOCIATION OF CANADA
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Proclamation

Perioperative Nurses Week 2012

The Operating Room Nurses Association of Canada (ORNAC) is honored to recognize the dedication of perioperative Registered Nurses across our nation. This year Perioperative Nurses Week is November 11 – 17, 2012. It is the time to acknowledge and highlight the outstanding contributions of perioperative Registered Nurses.

The theme for the 2012 Perioperative Nurses Week is:

“Enhancing teams through collaborative practice”

Today’s health care system has evolved from the clear-cut boundaries between disciplines to fluid boundaries. This change demands enhanced collaboration between the members of different health care disciplines. Gone are the days of living in silos!

Collaboration is working together for the benefit of all. In health care, collaboration is synonymous with teamwork. The operating rooms have always embraced the concept of teamwork. Today, collaborative health care professionals work together cooperatively. The safe quality care provided to our patients is dependent on the complimentary backgrounds, skills, knowledge, and collective competencies of the team.

For collaborative practice to be successful, the collaborators must share a similar vision. Communication between team members is the key. Communication must be purposeful, respectful, and honest. Collaboration and good communication help prevent errors and promote positive patient outcomes.

ORNAC proudly recognizes the contributions made by our members in all aspects of perioperative practice.

Happy Perioperative Nurses Week!

Karen Frenette

ORNAC President