



May 9, 2016

Dear Members,

Happy National Nursing Week! It is a pleasure to acknowledge and thank you for your commitment to excellence in nursing no matter where you work. To help launch the celebrations with a brief video, visit the [SRNA website](#) and join us on Twitter (@SRNADialogue).

I would also like to thank everyone who participated in the SRNA Education Day, Awards Banquet, and Annual Meeting on May 3 and 4 in Regina. During our discussions with over 360 members at our annual meeting on May 4, we carried 29 bylaw changes and decided on the [nine resolutions](#) submitted. Six were carried. Thank you for your willingness to work together as we move forward now with a plan.

We invite you to share your thoughts on [SRNA's draft strategic plan and process 2016](#). Here's how you can join the conversation:

1. Please join us for a [webinar](#) on May 12, 16, or 19, 2016 from 11am – 12:00pm
2. Participate in our [online survey](#); or
3. Send your feedback by email to execdir@srna.org.

In response to a request at the annual meeting, we are pleased to provide all members and the public with access to the [2015 audited financial statements](#) of the SRNA. Our 2016 Budget will be posted in June after the strategic plan is finalized and any applicable adjustments to resources finalized.

Congratulations and welcome to the new SRNA Council members, elected on May 4. Member-at-large Region 3 **Ronda Zinger, RN**, and Member-at-large Region 7, **Lionel Tancrede, RN**. Welcome and congratulations also to new Nominations Committee member **Linda Delainey, RN**

Thank you to everyone who was interested in the leadership challenge and let your names stand for election. If you would like to know more about the 2016 nominations and elections, please check out the information posted on the website under: [About](#)

[Us/Council](#) or contact links@srna.org. Signy Klebeck, RN is the Chair of the Nominations Committee for 2015 - 2017.

It's so important to celebrate the exceptional work of our RN and RN(NP) members. On May 3, 2016 we honoured those individuals who were nominated by their peers and recognized as leaders in providing safe, quality care for patients and families. Congratulations to our [2016 Award recipients](#) !

Medical Assistance in Dying

[Bill C-14](#) has been introduced in the House of Commons to ultimately enable eligible Canadians to opt for medical assistance in dying. In preparation for this amendment to the legislation, and to inform upcoming discussions with representatives of the Saskatchewan Ministry of Health, we are seeking input from the membership on this topic. Our goal is to understand your questions and concerns regarding the local implementation of medical assistance in dying. We would appreciate if you complete [this survey](#) by Tuesday, May 31. Please join us for a webinar on [Medical Assistance in Dying May 12, 3:00 – 4:30 pm](#). Thank you for taking the time to provide your valuable feedback and comments.

Our hearts are with those impacted by the fires in Northern Alberta as well as those delivering nursing services to displaced children and adults. SRNA staff have corresponded with CARNA representatives to offer assistance. Donations can be made to the [Canadian Red Cross](#).

With appreciation,

Linda

Linda Wasko-Lacey, RN
President

