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## Media Advisory

**News Release (March 9, 2017) – Minister of Health Jim Reiter Recognizes 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association.**

“We appreciate Minister Reiter acknowledging the role of registered nurses and nurse practitioners as key members of the healthcare team today,” said Joanne Petersen, RN and SRNA President. “SRNA members have provided safe, competent, and ethical care to their patients, residents, clients and family members for 100 years and to be recognized for these contributions to the people of Saskatchewan is inspiring.”

Shortly after 10am, Minister of Health Jim Reiter will recognize, during the legislative session, the SRNA’s 100 years in Saskatchewan. This will be followed by a SRNA 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary flag raising in front of the Legislative Building at 12:30 that will be attended by MLAs, SRNA members, staff and the public.

The SRNA is celebrating 100 years as the profession-led regulatory body and association for the province’s over 11,000 Registered Nurses and Nurse Practitioners. The SRNA mandate of protecting the public is achieved through a variety of activities including setting licensure requirements and standards of practice; approving nursing education programs; educational sessions for our members; practice consultation services; and, competence assurance processes to transparently address concerns regarding the competence or conduct of members.

“As registered nurses and nurse practitioners we coordinate and deliver care that is evidence-based and we strive for excellence in professional practice.” says Joanne Petersen. “Registered Nurses and Nurse Practitioners work in diverse settings. These include acute care, long term care, home care, community clinics, nursing education programs and government. We strive to be caring leaders in contributing to a healthy population.”



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The celebration of 100 years continues on March 10, 2017, at the SRNA 100th Anniversary Gala at the Conexus Art Centre in Regina. The Gala will be attended by the Minister of Rural and Remote Health, Greg Ottenbreit, Anne Sutherland Boal, CEO of the Canadian Nurses Association, health system partners and over 200 members of the SRNA and the public.

Co-hosted by Kahla Buchanan, Senior Weather Anchor, of CTV Regina and Joanne Petersen, RN and SRNA President, the Gala will honour the integrity, leadership and innovation of registered nursing in Saskatchewan. The Gala will include entertainment, silent and live auctions with proceeds going towards the Saskatchewan Nurse Foundation. A registered charity that supports educational opportunities for nurses in Saskatchewan by offering bursaries to RNs and RN(NP)s who wish to further their educational goals.

*The Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association (SRNA) is a profession-led regulatory body and association established in March, 1917 by the provincial legislature. The SRNA is accountable for public protection by ensuring members are competent and promotes the professional interest of its members in the public interest. Individual members are personally accountable for their professional nursing practice through adherence to the code of ethics, practice standards and ongoing continuing competence requirements.*

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