

News Release

2016 SRNA Recognizes Registered Nursing Excellence in Saskatchewan

REGINA, May 4, 2016 – On May 3, the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association (SRNA) will honoured the outstanding achievements of former and practicing members at the Association's Banquet and Awards Celebration in Regina. SRNA Awards of Excellence were established to recognize RNs and RN(NP)s as well as members of the public who have made an outstanding contribution in nursing practice and/or to health care.

The SRNA celebrates the exceptional contributions of each of the following award recipients:

- Elizabeth Van Valkenburg Award for Excellence in Nursing Education is given to a registered nurse or group of registered nurses who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of nursing education: Dr. Carol Bullin, RN, Grandora.
- Effie Feeny Award for Excellence in Nursing Research is given to a registered nurse or group of registered nurses who has made an outstanding contribution in the field of nursing or health-related research that enhances the nursing profession: Dr. Angela Bowen, RN, PhD, Saskatoon.
- Jean Browne Award for Excellence in Nursing Practice Leadership is given to a registered nurse or group of registered nurses whose leadership has made an outstanding contribution to the profession of nursing at the local, province, national or international level: Dr. Karen Eisler, RN, PhD, Regina.
- Granger Campbell Award for Excellence in Clinical Practice is given to a registered nurse or group of registered nurses who has demonstrated clinical excellence in any practice setting: Student Health Services, Saskatoon.
- Ruth Hicks Award for Student Leadership is given to a nursing student or group of nursing students who has made a significant contribution and demonstrated leadership as a student leader or group. The student(s) must be enrolled in a Saskatchewan-based baccalaureate nursing program: Megan Jacobsen, Melfort.
- SRNA Life Membership is the SRNA's most prestigious award. The Life Membership is granted to an individual who is retiring or has retired from the nursing profession and has rendered outstanding service to registered nursing in Saskatchewan. This year, SRNA is recognizing five very deserving individuals: Donna Brunskill, Indian Head, Sheila Clements, Saskatoon, Joan Hiebert, Dundurn, Diane Jensen, Saskatoon, and Candace Skrapek, Saskatoon.

“It’s so important to celebrate the exceptional work of our RN and RN(NP) members. We know that each day there are moments of greatness among us, and today we pay tribute to those individuals who are recognized by their peers, as leaders in providing safe, quality care for patients and families” Carolyn Hoffman, RN, Executive Director, SRNA commented. “RNs and RN(NP)s are leaders in contributing to a healthy population.”

SRNA is the profession-led regulatory body for the province’s approximately 11,200 registered nurses including 213 nurse practitioners. The Registered Nurses Act (1988) describes the SRNA’s mandate in setting standards of education and practice for the profession and registering nurses. The SRNA is responsible for ensuring continuing competence, professional conduct, standards of practice, a code of ethics and the approval of nursing education programs.

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