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2014 SRNA Recognizes Registered Nursing Excellence in Saskatchewan

Regina, May 6, 2014 – On May 7, the Saskatchewan Registered Nurses' Association (SRNA) will honour the outstanding achievements of former and practicing registered nurse and registered nurse (nurse practitioner) members at the Association's Annual Member Recognition Awards Ceremony in Regina. SRNA Recognition Awards 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:

- Granger Campbell Award for Clinical Excellence is given to a registered nurse or group who has demonstrated clinical excellence in any practice setting: 3B Oncology Department (Pasqua Hospital), Regina and Koliann Shwaga, RN, Wroxton
- Elizabeth Van Valkenburg Award for Leadership in Nursing Education is given to a registered nurse or group who has made an outstanding contribution to the field of nursing education: Bev Cross, RN, Regina and Cindy Smith, RN, Milestone
- Ruth Hicks Award for Student Leadership is given to a nursing student or group who has made a significant contribution and demonstrated leadership as a student leader or group. The student must be enrolled in a Nursing Education Program of Saskatchewan: Alixe Dick, Saskatoon
- Effie Feeny Award for Nursing Research is give to a registered nurse or group who has made an outstanding contribution in the field of nursing or health related research that enhances the nursing profession: Dr. Lyle G. Grant, RN, Warman.
- Helen Walker Award for Innovation in Nursing is given to a registered nurse or group who have developed and successfully implemented innovative methods to meet health care challenges faced by individuals, families and or communities/populations: Carole Houston, RN, Regina
- SRNA Memorial Book, celebrating the lives and achievements of former SRNA members: Lynda Anne Allen (late of Moose Jaw) and Erma "Chess" Dempsey (late of Regina)

"We recognize the leadership in our profession and it's important to take time to celebrate the outstanding achievements of Saskatchewan RNs and RN(NP)s." Karen Eisler, RN, PhD, Executive Director, SRNA commented, "Registered nursing is a profession of knowledgeable and dedicated individuals who are accountable for the care they provide. We are proud of our profession's contribution to safe quality care for the people of Saskatchewan."

We are also looking forward to hearing from our guest speaker at this year's banquet, Corey Chamblin, Head Coach of the 2013 Grey Cup Champions, the Saskatchewan Roughriders and recipient of the 2013 Canadian Football League Coach of the Year Award. He will be speaking on "Inspiring Quality", which follows the theme of this year's annual conference.

The SRNA, established in 1917, is the profession-led regulatory body for the province's RNs and RN(NP)s. *The Registered Nurses Act* (1988) describes the SRNA's mandate in setting standards of education and practice for the profession and registering nurses to ensure competent, caring knowledge-based care for the people of Saskatchewan. 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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