

Foundation Focus

Fall 2018

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New Awards Helping Change Lives

HELPING FAMILIES AT END OF LIFE

Melvin Kellie Award

"The **Melvin Kellie Award** was established to celebrate the life of my step-dad who passed away after an unexpected and short battle with Cancer. During his life he was a caring and kind man, a big "teddy bear" who supported and loved his family and friends unconditionally. At the end of his journey **he was cared for by some of the most compassionate and knowledgeable nurses**, physicians, and healthcare workers who looked after, not only my step-dad, but the family in a holistic approach.



Shawna Tohm and her step-dad, Melvin Kellie

The **Melvin Kellie Award** is established to ensure that RNs in Alberta or NWT/Nunavut can receive the training and courses needed to provide an exceptional level of care for all families going through the loss of their loved ones in a palliative care environment.

This is a small gesture to ensure that his memory will live on and other families can experience the compassion and kindness that was shown to our family." *Shawna Tohm*

HELPING IMPROVE SENIORS CARE

Doug Thomson Certification Award

"Dad was someone who turned 'good into great' in everything he did, and then fittingly moved on to coach others." *Thomson family*

This Award established in memory of Doug Thomson provides support to Manitoba nurses for certification and renewals in hospice, palliative and/or gerontology nursing.



Doug Thomson

"Doug shared his time and talents helping executives grow and prosper, helping his community as a board member, and as an active volunteer. His appreciation for the nursing care he received inspired this Geriatric and Palliative Nursing award to become reality." *Thomson family representative*



Canadian Nurses Foundation

HELPING INDIGENOUS COMMUNITIES

Anita George Memorial Nursing Award

"Anita George had a long career in nursing across Ontario, including remote communities in the north. Four years of working for Bell Canada in Saudi Arabia afforded her the opportunity to visit some 30 countries where she could observe how nurses supported these countries. Upon retirement, she spent much of her time volunteering in the Ottawa area, and was intrigued with the idea of encouraging and supporting Indigenous student nurses to return to help their home communities. Her family is pleased to assist in making Anita's idea a reality!" *Bill Steers*



Anita George

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- ensuring access to safe drinking water
- improving emergency care for cardiac patients
- supporting seniors living at home
- improving mental health care services

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40 YEARS

MILITARY NURSES OF CANADA AWARD – established 1978

Jocelyn Wiens University of Ottawa, Ottawa, ON

My thesis research combines a focus on women's issues with a lens of health equity and application of knowledge in clinical care. From utilizing clinical skills and abilities in direct patient care at the bedside, to developing research and

knowledge, to participating in all levels of policy development, nurses can and must be involved. I am grateful and proud to be a CNF scholar.



Jocelyn Wiens

20 YEARS

NURSES ASSOCIATION OF NEW BRUNSWICK AWARDS – established 1998

“This opportunity for professional development and the financial commitment on behalf of the Association supports nurses to continue their post-secondary education aspirations.”

*Karen Frenette,
President, NANB*

Denise Leblanc-Kwaw

University of New Brunswick, Fredericton, NB

My interest in parish nursing leads me to research spiritual nursing care with the hope of learning more on how parish nurses develop their spiritual nursing practice over time. I hope that my research can help develop nursing education programs and standards of practice that include spiritual nursing care for all patients.

Anne Pelletier

Université Laval, Edmundston, NB

My goal is to earn a doctorate degree that will allow me to pursue an academic career to share my passion and my knowledge with future nurses. My varied clinical experience and my current work as a specialized clinical nurse are just as fulfilling as my studies. I am proud to have chosen nursing as a profession, as it offers endless possibilities.



Denise Leblanc-Kwaw



Anne Pelletier



Nurses Association
OF NEW BRUNSWICK

15 YEARS

JOHN J. VANDERLEE AWARD FOR MALE NURSING STUDENTS – established 2003
“When I approached CNF to set up the undergraduate John Vanderlee Male Nursing Student Award/Fund, I had only modest expectations for success ...” *John Vanderlee* **(Read more on Newsletter insert)**

SHARON NIELD MEMORIAL AWARD – established 2003

“Sharon worked in a hospital, then as a nurse educator, and finally as a director in the Canadian Nurses Association. She believed that every nurse deserved as much education as possible. This award is a fitting tribute to her career.” *Jack Nield*

Krista Fyffe
University of Fraser Valley, Langley, BC

I feel at home when I am at work, and in a way, this career chose me. Helping people and being able to make a little difference in a stranger's life is my driving force to be a nurse. There is no profession I could be prouder to be a part of, and I hope to make a difference in many people's lives.



Krista Fyffe

Rachel Walker
University of Toronto, Toronto, ON

I am passionate about child health and feel strongly about building a supportive early environment that fosters growth and development. I believe that physical activity and exercise play important roles for all levels of health care. One of my personal goals is to better understand and find opportunities to incorporate this form of health promotion into my nursing practice.



Rachel Walker

INNOVATIVE MEDICINES CANADA AWARD – established 2003

“Nurse Practitioners play a crucial role in Canada's healthcare system. We are proud to recognize 15 years of supporting excellence in this field through the creation of the Innovative Medicines Canada Nurse Practitioner Scholarships.”
Pamela Fralick, President, Innovative Medicines Canada

Jessica Peart
University of Victoria, Powell River, BC

Returning to primary care has been a main motivator for pursuing an advanced nursing practice as a Family Nurse Practitioner. At the heart of my nursing practice are the relationships that I develop with my clients. The support that I am receiving through this award will greatly assist pursuits, and for that I am very grateful.



Jessica Peart

Mary Bradley
Lakehead University, Calgary, AB

I have a passion for working with vulnerable people, especially refugees from crisis or conflict affected populations. These opportunities, education investments and life experiences have given me the desire to further refine my skills to be better equipped to lead projects and provide optimal comprehensive patient care.



Mary Bradley



5 YEARS

ARNNL EDUCATION AND RESEARCH TRUST
25th ANNIVERSARY SCHOLARSHIP – established 2013

Renee Crossman University of Alberta, Upper Island Cove, NL

The rates of diabetes are rising exponentially in Canada. Due to the unique interpersonal nature of the nurse-client relationship, nurses are invaluable sources of self-management support for individuals with diabetes. As a nurse, a researcher, as well as a person living with Type 1 diabetes, I am very much interested

in how individuals enact diabetes. My research will inform nurse-client relationships, strengthen capacity to provide self-management support, and ultimately enhance diabetes care best practices.



Renee Crossman

“ARNNL created this scholarship when Memorial University's School of Nursing established the province's first doctoral program for registered nurses. We look forward to continuing to support ARNNL members through this partnership with CNF providing opportunities for advanced education and development.” *Lynn Power, ARNNL*



Message from the CEO



With Thanksgiving just a few weeks behind us, I would like to say an extra HUGE thank you to all of CNF's amazing supporters. YOU are what helps build a healthier nation through the support of Canada's nurses and nursing students!!! And many of you have helped build new opportunities, like the new

scholarships and awards highlighted in this issue of Foundation Focus!

But, it is also a time to reflect and look forward. Right now, CNF can only fund ONE of every 5 deserving scholarship applicants. Let's change that! This fall be part of CNF's Giving Tuesday and on November 27th help be the one to change those numbers - helping make those students' goals and dreams a reality!!! Their future depends on you!

Nurses are part of your life - they are there at your most vulnerable moments and at the happiest of times. Help all these aspiring nurses succeed so that each and every Canadian can get the care they so deserve. It's up to you!!!!

Christine Fried Beaulieu

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