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GETTING MORE OUT OF YOUR PROFESSIONAL ASSOCIATION.

RNAO

The Registered Nurses' Association of Ontario is the professional association representing registered nurses wherever they practise in Ontario. Since 1925, RNAO has lobbied for healthy public policy, promoted excellence in nursing practice, increased nurses' contribution to shaping the health-care system, and influenced decisions that affect nurses and the public they serve.

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TOP 7 REASONS TO JOIN

1

CONTINUOUS LEARNING & PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Take advantage of career counseling, online workshops, education guide, loans, scholarships & SAVINGS! SAVE up to 40 per cent on your registration for RNAO conferences & workshops and count them towards your Reflective Practice participation. RNAO members save \$226 OFF CNA certification exams fees. With such huge savings, members are able to recover most of the cost of their membership fees.

2

PROTECT YOURSELF & SATISFY THE PLP REQUIREMENT

As a benefit of RNAO membership, you are eligible for professional liability protection from the Canadian Nurses Protective Society (CNPS) at no additional cost. CNPS protection satisfies the PLP requirement. By adding \$64.57 more to your membership to enroll in the LEGAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (LAP), you are eligible for legal assistance with employment related matters including wrongful dismissals and complaints to CNO; making your protection more comprehensive.

3

STAY CONNECTED & INFORMED

As an RNAO member, you receive subscriptions to two journals: RNAO's own award-winning *Registered Nurse Journal* and, through your automatic membership with the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA), the *Canadian Nurse*.

4

SPEAK OUT

Be a voice in shaping nursing and health-care policies. Influence government and decision makers on issues that impact RNs and health-care services. Get involved in proactive political, media and lobbying activities to raise the profile of RNs in Ontario.

5

REPRESENT ONTARIO RNs

Strengthen connections with your profession and specializations through your membership in local chapters and interest groups. With a healthy membership, RNAO members also strengthen Ontario's voice at both national and international levels with the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) and the International Council of Nurses (ICN).

6

MORE SAVINGS \$\$\$

Enjoy member-only group discounts on insurance programs for home, auto, extended health, dental, and long term disability, among many other saving opportunities.

7

RECRUITMENT REWARDS

"Get 7" - Recruit 7 new members & get your next year's membership FREE! Get your friends & colleagues to join. For every RN you sign up as a new RNAO member, earn a \$20 RNAO Gift Certificate. For every undergraduate nursing student, earn \$5. Use your RNAO Gift Certificate towards your membership fees, RNAO conferences and workshops.

APPLY NOW.

GENERAL INFORMATION

The **RNAO Membership year** is **November 1st to October 31st**. The membership year begins November 1st; if you join after November 1st, your membership and legal protection are effective from the day RNAO receives your completed application form with payment.

The membership year ends October 31st. Your membership, legal protection and other benefits expire October 31st every year, unless you specify on the application form that you would like "automatic renewal". Select **AUTOMATIC RENEWAL** under **STEP 5** of the membership application form.

Chapters/Regions without Chapters

RNAO has 39 Chapters & Regions without Chapters. Chapter affiliation is based on where you live. However you can choose to belong to the Chapter where you work or study. See **CHAPTER AFFILIATION** under **STEP 1** of membership application form.

ADDITIONAL SERVICES

Interest Groups

Each of RNAO's interest groups represents a unique specialty or population within the nursing spectrum. Together they illustrate the remarkable diversity of the profession. They offer a range of professional resources and support, both personal and sometimes financial, through bursaries and awards. Choose any of our 31 independent interest groups. **NOTE:** you do not have to be practising in the interest group area of expertise to join a particular group. You can join multiple groups. See **INTEREST GROUPS** under **STEP 3** of the membership application form for a list of groups and fees.

LIABILITY PROTECTION

RNAO offers three different programs that protect members in situations needing legal assistance within or outside the workplace. Protection is available all year round to include multiple employers, volunteering, humanitarian acts & more.

All RNAO members holding CNO General Class or EC registration are eligible for professional liability protection provided by the **Canadian Nurses Protective Society (CNPS)** for civil lawsuits, appearing as a witness before a court or tribunal (other than the CNO), investigation of alleged criminal offenses, successfully defended criminal charges and alleged breach of statute arising from the provision of a professional nursing service.

The optional **Legal Assistance Program (LAP)** supplements CNPS protection, where members are eligible for legal coverage for employment related matters including wrongful dismissals, subpoenas to testify as a witness and complaints to CNO. LAP fee is \$64.57.

The optional **NursesInsure** provides malpractice and business insurance for members requiring extended practice coverage such as those in independent practice. It does not provide coverage for those matters which fall under LAP coverage. The two programs complement each other.

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MEMBERSHIP FEE CATEGORIES

REGULAR - any Registered Nurses who are employed in Ontario; excludes those that qualify for other categories below.

NEW GRADUATE - if you have graduated from an undergraduate nursing program within the past twelve months and have received a registration number (or temporary registration number) from the College of Nurses of Ontario, you are eligible for this discounted category.

CURRENTLY UNEMPLOYED - Registered Nurses who are currently unemployed or underemployed, working on average less than 15 hrs/week; must provide RNAO with a written statement of unemployed status regardless of whether or not in nursing.

RETIRED - Registered Nurses who are 60+ years in age and are not working full-time; Or are 55 yrs in age, are not working full-time, and have maintained 15 years of membership at the regular fee level. Must provide age on application form.

ASSOCIATE & FRIENDS

OUT OF PROVINCE ASSOCIATE - any Registered Nurse in other Canadian jurisdictions who is not practising nursing in the Province of Ontario. Or, any Registered Nurse or equivalent in a jurisdiction outside of Canada who is not practicing nursing in Canada.

UNDERGRADUATE NURSING STUDENT ASSOCIATE - any Ontario student in a study program towards RN designation with the CNO.

FRIENDS OF RNAO - any person who wishes to support the work of RNAO, and who does not meet the criteria of 'member' or 'associate'.

GROUP MEMBER DISCOUNTS

Discounts given to members who belong to groups which have met specific membership volume targets.

ONA GROUP - Registered Nurses who belong to ONA union; must provide ONA ID NO.

CUPE GROUP - Registered Nurses who belong to CUPE; must provide Local NO.

WATERLOO REGION GROUP - Registered Nurses who live or work in the Waterloo Chapter.

TRI-HOSPITAL GROUP - Registered Nurses who are employed at Credit Valley, Trillium, or William Osler.

4 GROUP - Registered Nurses who are employed at Mackenzie Health, Hospital for Sick Children, Scarborough Hospital, Sunnybrook & Women's Health Sciences Centre.

INTEREST GROUP (IG) GROUP - Registered Nurses who select from the 11 interest groups marked with ♦ symbol that qualify for special group volume discount. See **INTEREST GROUPS** under **STEP 3A** of membership application form for a list of groups and fees.

METHOD OF PAYMENT

CHEQUE - Mail a cheque made payable to "RNAO" for the full amount of RNAO fees with your completed membership application form.

MasterCard/VISA/American Express - Mail or fax your completed membership application form with your credit card info, or join over the phone or online. Full amount of RNAO fees will be charged to your credit card.

PRE-AUTHORIZED PAYMENT - Mail or fax your completed membership application form with a **VOID** cheque. RNAO fees will be deducted monthly from your bank account. Admin fee is \$10/year.

PAYROLL DEDUCTION - Check with your employer to see if this option is available at your workplace. If so, see your employer's Payroll Department to set up service. Admin fee is \$10/year.

➔ APPLICANT INFORMATION

CNO REGISTRATION NO. _____

- RN
 RN (EC)

I have a valid certification
of registration from the CNO _____

SIGNATURE

Ms. Miss Dr.

Mrs. Mr.

FIRST NAME

INITIAL(S)

LAST NAME

APT. NO.

ADDRESS

CITY

PROVINCE

POSTAL CODE

HOME PHONE

WORK PHONE

E-MAIL ADDRESS

CELL PHONE

NAME OF PRIMARY EMPLOYER

➔ CHAPTER AFFILIATION

Chapter affiliation is based on your address above. If you prefer to have your chapter membership based on where you work/study instead of your mailing address, please indicate below.

MAKE MY CHAPTER AFFILIATION BASED ON:

- WHERE I WORK/STUDY CITY: _____

*We need your skills, passion, knowledge and talent.
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➔ STEP 1

ARE YOU A: RENEWING MEMBER NEW MEMBER *

(Please check one)

*NEW MEMBERS

Did a RNAO member encourage
you to join? Give them credit.
They earn *Recruitment Rewards*.

PLEASE
PRINT
CLEARLY

NAME OF RECRUITER

WORKPLACE

RNAO NO.

➔ PRIVACY POLICY

Your privacy is very important to us. RNAO only provides contact info to your RNAO Chapter/Region executives, Interest Groups you choose, and Workplace Liaisons. We will not share your contact info with any unaffiliated third parties. Many of our members appreciate receiving info on savings & special offers from our affinity partners. If you **DO NOT** wish to receive such info, please indicate your preference below.

YOU CAN CALL ME

- Yes, RNAO can contact me via prerecorded message to the phone numbers provided to RNAO, with messages about offers, my membership status, events & issues. RNAO occasionally uses prerecorded phone messages for important and time-sensitive communication with members.

DO NOT SEND ME INFO ON:

- Home & Auto Insurance
 Extended Health, Dental, Life, Accident & Long-Term Disability Insurance
 BMO RNAO MasterCard
 Other RNAO approved affinity programs

MEMBERSHIP YEAR

Our membership year is from November 1st to October 31st. All memberships will expire October 31, 2013.

CANCELLATION POLICY

Membership expires October 31, 2013. Cancellations prior to this date will be subject to a \$30 cancellation fee. As RNAO membership is on a yearly basis, all membership privileges are cancelled and ineffective as of November 1, 2012. Non-payment of fees will result in termination of membership.

EMPLOYMENT INFORMATION

To help RNAO to better know and serve its members, please complete, please complete the voluntary questionnaire. The info is used for statistical purposes only.

1. EMPLOYMENT POSITION

- Staff Nurse
 Nurse Practitioner
 Clinical Nurse Specialist/APN
 Administrator
 Research
 Educator
 Policy
 Consultant
 Other

2. DATE OF BIRTH

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DATE OF BIRTH (DD/MM/YY)

3. EMPLOYMENT STATUS

- Full-time
 Part-time
 Casual
Is this status your preferred choice?
 Yes
 No
 Retired
 Unemployed

4. EMPLOYER TYPE

- Public Health
 Primary Care (CHC/FHT/Physician's Office)
 Hospital Care
 Home Health Care
 Long Term Care
 Nursing Registry/Agency
 University
 Community College
 Government
 Self-Employed
 Other

5. UNION AFFILIATION

- ONA
 CUPE
 OPSEU
 Other
 None

6. NURSING EDUCATION

- Highest level completed
 Diploma
 Baccalaureate
 Masters
 Doctorate
 Special Certificate
 Other: _____

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