NOTES FROM ICCER

We are quite excited that our June Networking Events in Calgary and Edmonton are during Alberta Seniors’ Week! As you will see in the pages below, we are focusing on topics to help support keeping seniors safe—whether they are living independently, in supportive living, or in long-term care. We hope to see you there!

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Executive Director, ICCER

Individuals not associated with an ICCER member organization can join the ICCER network for $150/year! If you are employed by one of ICCER’s member organizations, you are already considered a member and are eligible for all member benefits!

Individual memberships will run April 1st to March 31st of each year. Please note that refunds will not be provided under any circumstance. All payments will be through our automated payment system.

Click here for more details on what’s included in an individual membership!

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ICCER Networking Events

Join us as we kick off Seniors’ Week! We will be hosting events in both Calgary and Edmonton. Our speakers will share how they work towards improving the safety of seniors in our communities, including those in care, and how we can use this knowledge in everyday practice.

We will be in Calgary on June 4, 2018 with presentations about the Age-Friendly Calgary initiative, the Calgary Community Paramedic Program, and Elder Abuse Awareness. In Edmonton, we will have speakers from the Edmonton Seniors Coordinating Council, Edmonton Community Paramedic Program, and Stop Abuse in Families Society on June 6, 2018.

These events are suitable for all levels of staff, as well as family members! We encourage you to share these events with family members you think would be interested in attending the event.

Participants will have the opportunity to connect with our speakers, as well as collaborate with one another over small and large group discussion.

Click on the links below for more information and to register!

- **Monday, June 4, 2018 @ 2:00—5:00 PM at Bow Valley College South Campus**
- **Wednesday, June 6, 2018 @ 9:00 AM—12:00 PM at NorQuest College Singhmar Centre for Learning**

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Collaborative Practice Discussions

ICCER is holding Collaborative Practice Discussions for member organizations on June 5 in Calgary and June 14 in Edmonton. We will be discussing the topic of resident/family engagement. In part, the sessions will be a continuation of the discussions held in June 2017, which looked at developing a model to assist with embedding resident/family engagement as an integral part of care.

The sessions will also be an opportunity for ICCER members to share their thoughts on the Health Quality Council of AB Long-Term Care Family Experience Survey Reports. HQCA is evaluating the reach and use of the Reports. The first step in the evaluation was an online-survey. The second step is collecting information through focus groups. We will hold focused discussions on the Reports’ design, relevance, and use. Staff and family members will have an opportunity to provide their input.

These Collaborative Practice Discussions are well suited to Quality Improvement Leads, Best Practice Leads, Educators, and Administrators! We also encourage family members to attend the discussions, as they have valuable knowledge and experiences to share regarding their involvement in care.

If you are interested in attending the Collaborative Practice Discussions in June, please contact Emily Dymchuk at emily@iccer.ca or 780-248-5634.

Note: These events are only open to staff, faculty, students, and family members of ICCER member organizations!

UPCOMING EVENTS

Music Care Conference 2018, Music, Aging and Wellness, is being held on Saturday, November 17 at CIGI Campus, Waterloo, Ontario.

Keynote speakers include Dr. Gary Ansdell, Music Therapy Practitioner and Scholar, Nordoff Robbins and Exeter University, UK; Dr. Andrea Creech, Canada Research Chair in Music in the Community, Laval University, Quebec City; and Ian Thomas, Canadian Singer/Songwriter and Juno Award winner.

Save The Date

Music Care Conference 2018
Theme: Music, Aging and Wellness
Saturday November 17, 2018
CIGI Campus, Waterloo, ON
JOIN OUR COMMUNITY OF PRACTICE

Music Care CoP

To help ICCER members become more aware of the music care options and resources available to them, we created a Community of Practice (CoP). All ICCER members are welcome to participate in the CoP!

Staff who are interested and willing to participate, please contact Emily Dymchuk (emily@iccer.ca).

The next Music Care CoP meeting will be held via teleconference on June 26, 2018 at 9:00 AM.

INTERESTING RESOURCES

- June 3—9, 2018 is Alberta Seniors’ Week

- June 15, 2018 is World Elder Abuse Awareness Day (WEAAD). World Elder Abuse Awareness Day happens each year on June 15th. It was officially recognized by the United Nations General Assembly in its resolution 66/127, December 2011, following a request by the International Network for the Prevention of Elder Abuse (INPEA), who first established the commemoration in June 2006. It represents the one day in the year when the whole world voices its opposition to the abuse and suffering inflicted to some of our older generations.

Each month we will highlight new research, policies, reports, etc. that are applicable to continuing care. If you come across materials you would like to share, please send them to Emily (emily@iccer.ca).