

NOTES FROM ICCER

I want to start by congratulating Emily Dymchuk. As of June, she will have been with ICCER for 5 years! If you attend one of our events in June, be sure to congratulate her. I know all ICCER members appreciate her hard work, efficiency, and creativity.

June is going to be an exciting month for ICCER members and friends! We have our Networking Events and Collaborative Practice Discussions in both Edmonton and Calgary. More information on these events can be found below. In addition, Emily and I (along with partner Lars Hallström, Alberta Centre for Sustainable Rural Communities) will be presenting information from our [recent publication](#) to Alberta Health, Continuing Care Branch. Lars, Emily, and I will also be meeting in June with another colleague, Dr. Julia Brassolotto, University of Lethbridge, to plan a webinar expected to be given in August. Watch for further details!

A new category of ICCER membership is coming soon! Associate Memberships will be available to organizations that do not meet the criteria for full organizational membership (continuing care provider organizations, post-secondary institutions, and regulatory bodies). Organizations that are eligible for full membership will not be eligible to become Associate Members. If your organization is interested in joining, please contact me (sandra@iccer.ca or 780-248-1504).

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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 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](#).

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ICCER Networking Events

In June we will have Dr. Megan Strickfaden (Department of Human Ecology, University of Alberta) showing and discussing the intensive, intergenerational and meaningful process of creating five illustrated films with older adults, caregivers, staff, students and a filmmaker.

"Giving voice to older adults through co-created films: Learning how designed things can support the aging process."

Thirty-two resident artists (ages 60-101) were given voice through the development of a variety of media including visuals and spoken word. **The films produced are geared towards those who are (or are training to be) formal or family/friend caregivers to encourage them to think about how designed things can support the aging process.** To date the films have been watched and accumulated a total of 1,038 times in eight countries (Canada, USA, Australia, Sweden, France, Israel, Russia & Brazil). Films will be viewed and discussed during the event!

Note: These events are free for ICCER organizational and individual members! The cost is \$50/person for non-members to attend.

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If you are interested in reading more about our June Networking Events, and registering, click on the dates below!

- **Tuesday, June 4, 2019 in Edmonton**
- **Monday, June 10, 2019 in Calgary**

Collaborative Practice Discussions

Restraints—What's the Latest? The AH Continuing Care Health Service Standard #16: Restraint Management and Secure Spaces continues to cause concern and confusion among care providers. ICCER members are invited to attend a Collaborative Practice Discussion to discuss how our organizations can meet the Standard while maintaining best practice and person-centred care for residents.

Attendees in Calgary are also invited to tour Bethany Care Society's new site, Bethany Riverview!

Resources will be shared ahead of time with those who register to attend the session. **Remember—Collaborative Practice Discussions are only open to ICCER member organizations!** If you are interested in attending, please contact Emily Dymchuk (emily@iccer.ca or 780-248-5634).

- **Tuesday, June 11, 2019 in Calgary**
- **Wednesday, June 12, 2019 in Edmonton**

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RESOURCES & SPECIAL DATES

- June is [Brain Injury Awareness Month](#)
- June 2 to 8, 2019 is Seniors' Week! This year AHS has decided to focus on the opportunity to address the leading cause of injury among Albertans—falls. Prevention is key in helping older adults stay independent and maintain or improve their quality of life. Below are some resources to help prevent falls and injuries.
 - eLearning Module: [Upstream Approach to Falls Prevention](#)
 - [Preventing Falls: Injury Prevention & Safety, Information for Health Professionals](#)
 - [Canadian Physical Activity Guidelines for Older Adults](#)
- June 15th is [World Elder Abuse Awareness Day](#)
- June 26th is [National Cancer Wellness Awareness Day](#)

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JOIN OUR COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE

In addition to our Music Care Community of Practice (CoP), ICCER has recently started a CoP for Educators and Best Practice Leads in continuing care. All ICCER organizational members are welcome to participate!

- **Music Care CoP**—To help members become more aware of the music care options and resources available to them, as well as discuss issues related to implementing music in care. **The next CoP meeting will be held via teleconference on September 17, 2019.**
- **Continuing Care Educators CoP**— An opportunity for members to share resources, discuss strategies for integrating knowledge to practice, and explore the connection between curriculum and clinical education/ practice. **The next CoP meeting will be held via teleconference in September.**

Staff of ICCER member organizations who are interested and willing to participate in either CoP, please contact ICCER's Program Coordinator, Emily Dymchuk (emily@iccer.ca).

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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 Dymchuk (emily@iccer.ca).



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