

CONSTITUTION AND BY-LAWS OF THE CANADIAN ASSOCIATION SELF EMPLOYED REGISTERED NURSES (CASE RNs)

Constitution and Bylaws 2016 - 2018

CONSTITUTION

ARTICLE 1 - NAME OF ASSOCIATION

The federal member association for self-employed nurses shall be named the Canadian Association Self Employed Registered Nurses (CASE RNs).

ARTICLE 2 –INTRODUCTION

CASE RNs is a Canadian incorporated association. CASE RNs as a Canadian incorporated association may join or affiliate with like and similar nursing association, for example the Canadian Nurses Association or established provincial nursing associations. CASE RNs acts as the voice and forum for the specialized area of self employed nursing professionals. CASE RNs can engage in facilitation of integrated healthcare services in a huge diversity of related services i.e. health care navigation, insurance, education and research. Additionally, the CASE RNs offers a network of professional resources, guides, networking and support in the Self Employed Nurses specialty practice. CASE RNs are dedicated to excellence in ethical practice, lifelong learning, and fulfilling the standards of the specialized practice of all registered nursing care for all people. Self employed nurses recognize the need to establish interdisciplinary alliances with nursing colleagues and health care professionals to ensure quality and effective health care systems for all people and their families. The CASE RNs association will work towards promoting the nursing profession within the four domains of nursing i.e., people, health, environment and nursing, especially as these four nursing domains apply to all people health care needs specifically identified in their community.

ARTICLE 3 - PURPOSE, AIM, FUNCTIONS OF CASE RNs

CASE RNs will contribute their efforts to nursing theory, research development, quality professional nursing standards, evidence based clinical practices, and active participation in education of public and nursing colleagues, leadership support, collaboration with colleagues and political support actions to ensure a health care delivery system that meets the population needs. CASE RNs will work towards providing opportunities for self employed nurses and students to exchange their ideas and information concerning health-care.

AIM

CASE RNs aims to enhance the nursing profession by advocating for primary health care, health promotion, preventative, curative, rehabilitative and tertiary services that are culturally acceptable, affordable, and manageable. CASE RNs encourages the

community to become self-reliant and promote wellness, health maintenance, chronic care and prevention of injury and illness.

GOALS

Nurses are self-employed, business owners, independent managers, administrators, teachers and business proprietors and nurses doing business in nursing occupations that include but not limited to the following. CASE RNs will aim to raise the awareness of self-employed nursing scope of practice and nurse standards of practice and aim to

- Collaborate with other nursing interest groups in developing Best Practice Nursing Standards and Guidelines based on best available evidence.
- Influence the development of the field of Self Employed Nursing as a career choice for nurses
- Contribute to a high quality of care based on the primary health care model of health care delivery that is centered on care for all people of Canada
- Support, recognize, network, lead and participate in political action, as well as public education opportunities to enhance the public's awareness of the nursing profession
- Deliver health care nursing services or related health care functions to all people in a diverse variety of community health needs i.e. hospitals, clinics, education institutes, offices, home treatment, long term care facilities, businesses and specific community identified needs.

ARTICLE 4 - MEMBERSHIP

Any registered nurse who has paid the CASE RNs additional membership fee may become a member of the CASE RNs Canadian Association.

The Constitution and Bylaws will be reviewed every 2 years [even years]. The CASE RNs executive Chairperson and the Secretary will sign that the Constitution and Bylaws approved at the CASE RNs in November of the year prior. A copy of the original Constitution and Bylaws with the signatures and every 2-year revision will be kept by CASE RNs.

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