

May 2007



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Breaking News...

Specialized Geriatric Services

Regional Geriatric Program central

St. Peter's Hospital

Waterloo-Wellington Geriatric Services Network Announces New Coordinator

May 4, 2007

The Waterloo-Wellington Geriatric Services Network (WWGSN) and the Community Mental Health Clinic of Wellington County are pleased to announce that Jane MacKinnon-Wilson has accepted the position of Network Coordinator. This position is sponsored and administered by the Community Mental Health Clinic, but will work on behalf of the WWGSN.

Jane is currently the Manager of Adult and Senior Services for the Community Mental Health Clinic. Jane has a Masters of Science in Human Biology from the University of Guelph and has spent her entire career in the field of gerontology. Jane initiated and directed the development of the Community Mental Health Clinic's Seniors Mental Health Outreach Program over the past 17 years.

Jane's clinical and managerial experience spans geriatric services within the hospital and community sectors. Developing integrated service delivery networks to address the needs of seniors with complex geriatric needs has been a hallmark of her career. Jane played a key role in developing an innovative on site consultation clinic model for Long Term Care Homes in Wellington County, pioneered the use of secondments and cross appointments to facilitate partnerships and collaborative care, and helped develop the Specialized Geriatric Service and the Wellington Dufferin Seniors Network.

Jane has been an active member of the Regional Geriatric Program central Steering Committee, the Provincial Team Exchange Executive and the Geriatric Coordinated Education Strategy Group. Jane received the 2006 Executive Service Award for Geriatric Excellence in recognition of her outstanding leadership and service accomplishments.

Jane will assume full-time responsibilities for this role in June.

Kim Voelker
WWGSN Co-Chair

Kathy Tschirhart
WWGSN Co-Chair

Fred Wagner
Executive Director
CMHC

Celebrating Excellence!



Join us for the 4th Annual

Service Awards for Geriatric Excellence (SAGE)

Awards Dinner & Dance

Friday, May 25, 2007

Liuna Station, 360 James Street North, Hamilton ON

Tel: 905-525-2410 or 1-866-525-2410

Five Awards to be presented for Outstanding Achievement in Geriatrics:

STUDENT - INDIVIDUAL - EXECUTIVE - TEAM - ORGANIZATION

Brant - Haldimand and Norfolk - Halton - Niagara - Waterloo - Wellington Dufferin

Individual Tickets: \$25 / Table of 8: \$175

For More information or to order tickets, please contact Lynn Sage at:

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To download a **TICKET ORDER FORM** visit www.rgpc.ca

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2007 SAGE Nominees:

INDIVIDUAL

Anne Swift	Michael Killip
Colleen Hinchey	Michelle Shilton
Dr. Carolyn J. Rosenthal	Rose Perovich
Dianne Thompson	Sandy Young
Dr. Heather Keller	Sue Haggith
Janet Lovekin	Theresa Tersigni
Jeanette Tootell	Trish Corbett
Kim Hoskin	Wendy Dunn
E. Mary Buzzell	Wendy McPherson

EXECUTIVE

Cathy Sturdy-Smith
 Dr. Christopher Patterson
 Eleanor Morris
 Dr. Irene Turpie
 Dr. Irene Tuttle
 Pat Morden
 Dr. Philip McGarry

STUDENT

Allie Peckham
 Allison D'Hondt
 Emily DiSante
 Kyla Forbes
 Rebecca Cruickshank

ORGANIZATION

Age Link Personnel Services Incorporated
 Club de l'Age d'Or Notre-Dame
 Hamilton Council on Aging
 Norview Lodge

TEAM

Recreation and Restorative Team, Bella Senior Care Residence
 Halton Region Adult Day Program
 Hospital Elder Life Program, Hamilton Health Sciences
 Niagara Geriatric Mental Health Outreach Program
 Haldimand Norfolk Supportive Care Team, Saint Elizabeth Health Care
 Shalom Village Community Centre Team
 Health for Older Adults Program, Mental Health Team, St. Joseph's Healthcare
 Staywell Program, St. Joseph's Healthcare
 Adult Day Program, St. Joseph's Villa
 Day Hospital Program, St. Peter's Hospital
 Palliative Care Team, St. Peter's Hospital
 Rehabilitation Interdisciplinary Team, St. Peter's Hospital
 T. Roy Adams Respite Centre and Dementia Specialized Adult Day & Overnight Service

EFFECTIVE NETWORKS IN THE LHIN

Excerpts from a DRAFT report of the Hamilton Niagara Haldimand Brant LHIN

Networks: Working Differently for Health System Outcomes

DRAFT April 30, 2007

The following proposed characteristics shape networks' effective participation in health system transformation.

- 1. The network has a clear vision, and developed goals and objectives**
 - a. The network's scope of vision includes a LHIN wide perspective
 - b. The network is able and prepared to work at the systems level with other networks
 - c. The network shares a number of common goals and objectives with the LHIN

- 2. The network has the full support of its member organizations.**
 - a. Members of the network have the full support of their own organizations.
 - b. The member organizations demonstrate a cohesive sense of purpose and vision consistent with desired community/LHIN outcomes.
 - c. Network membership includes appropriate, balanced perspective on the range of interests concerned with the desired community/LHIN outcomes.
 - d. The network has the ability to incorporate new members and alternative perspectives.
 - e. The network is inclusive of the widest range of points of view.

- 3. The network is sustainable, and has a track record that builds on success, is able to resolve conflicts and plan leadership renewal.**
 - a. The network has broad stakeholder and community acceptance.
 - b. Health service providers and stakeholders recognize the network as expert, providing leadership and of the community.
 - c. The network is recognized as a significant participant by other networks in the community.
 - d. The network's leadership is committed to the community/LHIN outcomes and is prepared to promote its value.

- 4. The network is able to make commitments to the LHIN regarding shared activities.**
 - a. The network presently shares information with other networks and is willing to have the LHIN share information with other networks.
 - b. Network member organizations have aligned processes and measures.

- 5. The network has the capacity, as a collective, to accomplish plans, including the ability to commit resources, allocate time to the process, plan and manage activities, and community with and rally stakeholders.**

- 6. The network is willing to work with the LHIN and LHIN stakeholders in enhancing community health initiatives and support longer-term community LHIN strategic goals and objectives.**

RGPs of Ontario 2007 Conference

KNOWLEDGE CAFÉ: Geriatric Assessments and Models of Practice

THURSDAY MAY 31ST, 2007

9:00 a.m. - 3:15 p.m.

Bank of Montreal Centre Institute for Learning
3550 Pharmacy Avenue (at Steeles), Toronto

Visit www.rgpc.ca to obtain a registration form.

Please send completed forms to Marion Agnew at magnew@ottawahospital.on.ca or by fax at (613) 761-5334.

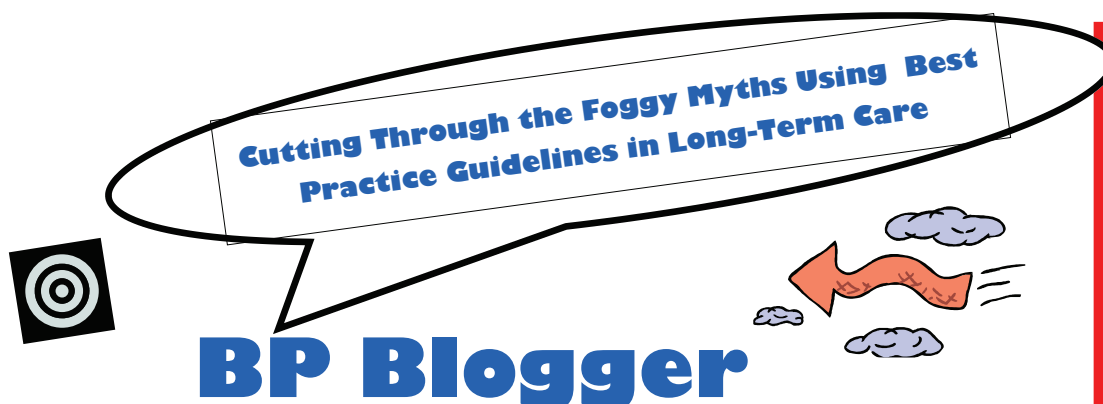
Registration deadline is **Wednesday, May 23, 2007.**

What is a Knowledge Café?

A Knowledge Café is an intentional way to create a living network of learning around conversations and questions that matter. A Café conversation is a creative process for leading collaborative dialogue, sharing knowledge and creating possibilities for action in groups. Each cafe is 35 minutes long (5 minute intro, 15 minute presentation, 15 minute discussion).

Registrants participate in 5 of the 7 Cafés below:

1. Kingston Standardized Cognitive Assessment (KSCA) and Montreal Cognitive Assessment (MoCA)
2. The Confusion Assessment Method (CAM)
3. Knowledge Transfer - Research to Practice
4. Combining Cognitive & Behavioural Assessment to differentiate among dementia subtypes
5. Behavioural Assessment
6. ABCDES - A new assessment tool for dementia
7. Goal Attainment Scale or Basdec



Check out the latest
issue of the
**BP Blogger:
Mouth Care**

On the RGPc website
under "Hot Topics" at
www.rgpc.ca

Myth Busting: Mouth Care

Education Calendar

May 2007

For more information on these and other upcoming events

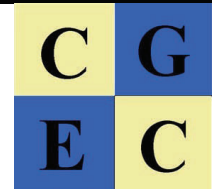
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SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7	8	9 Dementia Information Series for Family Caregivers	10	11	12
13	14	15	16 Dementia Information Series for Family Caregivers	17	18	19
20	21	22	23 Dementia Information Series for Family Caregivers	24	25 Hospital Elder Life Program Presentation	26
27	28	29	30	31 Ontario Gerontology Association Conference Geriatric Assessments and Models of Practice Infection Control Education Day	1 Ontario Gerontology Association Conference Seniors' Month	



**Long Term Care Resource Centre
Recommended Reading List
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“When you absolutely positively have to know, ask a librarian!”

American Library Association (ALA)

Dijkstra A (2007) Family participation in care plan meetings: promoting a collaborative organizational culture in nursing homes. *Journal of Gerontological Nursing*, 33(4), 22-

Carlson AL (2007) Death in the nursing home: resident, family and staff perspectives. *Journal of Gerontological Nursing*, 33(4), 32-

Savage T (2007) Relationship between assault frequency and length of hospitalization in older patients with dementia. *Journal of Gerontological Nursing*, 13-

Mittal V et al (2007) Perception gap in quality-of-life ratings: an empirical investigation of nursing home residents and caregivers. *Gerontologist*, 47(2), 159-

Castle NG et al (2007) Job satisfaction of nurse aides in nursing homes: intent to leave and turnover. *Gerontologist*, 47(2), 193-

Kane RL et al (2007) Helping people make better long-term-care decisions. *Gerontologist*, 47(2), 244-

Scott V et al (2007) Multifactorial mobility assessment tools for fall risk among older adults in community, home-support, long-term and acute care settings. *Age and Ageing*, 36(2), 130-

Gladman JRF et al (2007) Person-centred dementia services are feasible, but can they be sustained? *Age and Ageing*, 36(2), 171-

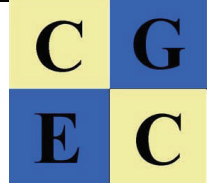
Loikas S et al (2007) Vitamin B12 deficiency in the aged: a population-based study. *Age and Ageing*, 36(2), 177-

Pleschberger S (2007) Dignity and the challenge of dying in nursing homes: the residents' view. *Age and Ageing*, 36(2), 197-

Linkewich B et al (2007) Educating for tomorrow: enhancing nurses' pain management knowledge. *Canadian Nurse*, 103(4), 24-



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Knocker S (2007) Capturing the magic of everyday, purposeful activities. *Journal of Dementia Care*, 15(2), 20-

Henderson J (2007) Palliative care in dementia: carers must be included. *Journal of Dementia Care*, 15(2), 22-

Smith S & Shaw C (2007) The challenge of assessing and treating pain in dementia. *Journal of Dementia Care*, 15(2), 28-

Dumitrescu L & van den Heuvel (2007) Evaluation of palliative care at home: the families' perspective. *Journal of Palliative Care*, 23(1), 54-

Spector W et al (2007) Risk factors with the occurrence of fractures in US nursing homes: resident and facility characteristics and prescription medications. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 55(3), 327-

Capezuti E et al (2007) Consequences of an intervention to reduce restrictive side rail use in nursing homes. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 55(3), 334-

Rask K et al (2007) Implementation and evaluation of a nursing home fall management program. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 55(3), 342-

Chan SB et al (2007) Pneumonia and lower respiratory infections in nursing home residents: predictors of hospitalization and mortality. *Journal of the American Geriatrics Society*, 55(3), 414-

Bawden ME (2006) Clean those teeth. *Perspectives*, 30(4), 15-

Green AE & Jeffers BR (2006) Exploring moral distress in the long-term care setting. *Perspectives*, 30(4), 5-

McHenry DM (2007) A growing challenge: patient education in a diverse America. *Journal for Nurses in Staff Development*, 23(2), 83-

Small BJ et al (2007) Early identification of cognitive deficits: preclinical Alzheimer's disease and mild cognitive impairment. *Geriatrics*, 62(9), 19-