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From our new President Paula Ferguson.

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Is a section that allows members to Ask NAPANc? Clinical questions and have their replies e-mailed back to them.

A hot topic: Patient Safety.

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**Reminder: to renew your membership in your own province to ensure your membership in NAPANc**

Locate them under "Standards"



# President's Address, October, 2009



*Hello All PeriAnesthesia Nurses of Canada! And welcome to autumn....isn't it supposed to follow summer, though? I live in Ontario, and we had nothing resembling summer this year. But there has been snowfall already in many parts of Canada, including Ontario, so there is no more wishing for pleasant weather: winter is definitely on its way.*

*But enough about the weather: let's talk about really important topics, like what NAPANc is doing for you!*

*Certification for our area of specialty, PeriAnesthesia Nursing, is the hot topic these days, and there is much work to be completed! This project requires significant commitment and the work has already begun. The "Proposal Committee" (members of NAPANc) is busy developing the first proposal to be submitted to the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA) to apply for the privilege of being honored with our own Certification Examination. It is a significant commitment on the part of the CNA too, so they need to hear that we, as PeriAnesthesia Nurses, are serious about this exam.*

*The prerequisites for our Proposal being approved are a lengthy checklist of documentation and data collection. But here is where you can help:*

*We need 1,000 PeriAnesthesia Nurses from across Canada, to add their names to our list to signify their wish to write/take the Certification Examination. Please look inside this newsletter for the form, "Voice of 1,000 Campaign", complete it and mail it, fax it or email it to the addresses on the form. [info@napanc.org](mailto:info@napanc.org) will always reach us! Don't hesitate to contact us if you have questions about this form. Encourage your colleagues to submit one too. Please let us hear from you, and soon! Our deadline is December, 2009!!*

*Also, we need to locate all PeriAnesthesia Nurses who are working as Advanced Practice Nurses (APN) in PeriAnesthesia environments: PACUs, Day Surgery Units, on Acute Pain Services, PreAdmission Units, as CNSs in these and related areas. Do you know anyone? We also need to list these. If you know of a CNS or a Nurse Practitioner in a surgical area, a PreAdmission Unit or any of the PostAnesthetic Recovery areas, or an Administrator or Educator with a Master's preparation, please let us hear about it (at [info@napanc.org](mailto:info@napanc.org)): we will contact them and request their permission to add their name to our list. No work is involved. However, we may request that they show their interest in getting involved in some of the next parts of the project too! Read on.....*