



Holiday Greetings to Our Clinical Nurse Specialist Colleagues

December 2024

As we reflect on the year, we are filled with gratitude for the dedication, passion, and hard work that you bring to nursing. 2024 has been a year of progress and collaboration for us as Clinical Nurse Specialists, and we are excited to share a few of our key accomplishments with you.

Together, we have fostered connections through our **colleague-to-colleague meetings**, where we share our experiences and discuss common challenges many of encounter as CNS and have developed a strong network of support. Role clarity and lack of understanding of the CNS role across the healthcare landscape from the bedside to leadership tables is a frequent challenge many encounters and we continue explore opportunities to address this including the participation in research on the CNS role in Canada.

We continue to meet routinely with the **National Association of CNS** (NACNS from USA), where we explore avenues to advance the CNS role, strengthen our professional voice and advance our collective impact, promoting the recognition of the CNS role. We also promote participation in events on both sides of the border by offering discounted registration rates to conference events. Look for the next NACNS conference being held March 2025 in Boston with the theme, *Innovate*.

Our **board meetings** have been a platform for discussing the future of CNS practice and policies and the political landscapes that support our growth and excellence. Through our efforts, we've worked tirelessly to promote role clarification and move toward **CNS title protection**, a crucial milestone that will solidify the importance of our role in healthcare.

As we approach the holiday season, we want to express our heartfelt appreciation for each of you—your tireless commitment to patient and client care, your advocacy for our profession, and your unwavering dedication to advancing the CNS role. Together, we are making a difference, and we look forward to the continued progress and success in the year ahead.

To ensure we can continue this important work in 2025, we invite you to **renew your membership** with CNS-C, our national association. Here is **the direct link** to register or renew your membership:

https://www.karelo.com/enter_res.php?&BID=650&Ev=22249

Also, you can visit www.karelo.com and search CNS-C.

Your ongoing support is vital as we continue to advance the CNS role, strengthen our professional community and work towards title protection across Canada.

Wishing you all a joyous and restful holiday season, filled with peace, love, and time to recharge for the exciting opportunities that await in 2025!

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