

Lorraine Avery, RN, PhD, CNCC(C)

Lorraine's practice focuses on the harmonization of cardiac services and the initiation, implementation and support for innovative initiatives to improve the delivery of nursing and cardiac healthcare services.

With more than 25 years' experience as a Clinical Nurse Specialist, she is a leader in the development of evidence-informed practice tools and co-led the regional acute coronary syndrome (ACS) clinical pathway. She is a co-founder and current co-lead of the Manitoba Acute Coronary Syndrome Network, a network dedicating to improving the outcomes of ACS patients within the province.

Lorraine has completed additional education related to systematic review development and the development of national clinical practice guidelines and has co-authored numerous regional policies and guidelines that support cardiac care. The advancement and support for Clinical Nurse Specialist practice is Lorraine's passion through mentorship and participation on a variety of local and national committees and has presented locally and nationally on Clinical Nurse Specialist practice. She is the current President of the Clinical Nurse Association of Canada as well as the Chair of the CNS Interest Group of Manitoba.

Lorraine's research interests focus is on care transitions from hospital to home. In addition, her research focuses on knowledge sources important to nurses in the delivery of clinical care. Her doctoral dissertation was a mixed method study related to nurses' ways of knowing and structural empowerment.