

Operating principles:

- We recognize that parish nursing is a specialized branch of nursing and a grass-roots ministry.
- We foster and develop parish nursing ministry, identity, education, practice standards, competencies, and research.
- We encourage, affirm, and celebrate local parish nurse initiatives, and programs, while promoting a national identity.
- We collaborate with individuals and groups that are vital to parish nursing by developing and providing seminars, lectures, workshops and resources, a social media profile, and an annual conference.
- We respect and engage the health promoting practices of multiple faith traditions while being rooted in Christianity.
- We reach into the broader community for promoting faith and health needs.
- We include as essential shareholders: parish nurses, nursing educators, faith tradition educators, diverse faith communities, and partnering organizations.

Who we are:

Vision

A Canada where Parish Nursing* is an essential and integrated dimension of the faith and health of diverse faith communities.

(*also known as Faith Community Nursing)

Mission

The Canadian Association for Parish Nursing Ministry (CAPNM) advances the growth and sustainability of parish nursing as a health and ministry resource within Canada.

The Parish Nurse

A Parish Nurse is a registered nurse with specialized knowledge, who is called to ministry and affirmed by a faith community to promote health, healing, and wholeness.

Role of a Parish Nurse

In the context of the faith community, Parish Nurses promote the integration of faith and health in a variety of ways.

Our values include:

- health advocacy and health promotion
- health counselling and health education
- health resource referral



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I belong to CAPNM because I believe that spirituality is an integral aspect of health and well-being.

Becoming a member:

Please visit our www.capnm.ca website:

- 'Membership' tab for membership information
- Top 10 reasons to belong to CAPNM
- Find our membership forms

How can CAPNM help you?

Approved core competencies and standards of practice may be obtained by visiting our website.

Interested in starting a Parish Nurse program? We encourage you to contact the CAPNM office or visit our website: www.CAPNM.ca

Board of Directors

Consists of seven members:

- Elected by the membership
- Two-year term of office
- Maximum one additional term

Executive - chair, vice chair, treasurer

Working groups - Committee members are CAPNM members from across Canada with Board liaison to:

- Education
- Research
- Standards of practice
- Membership and Visibility
- Funding
- Conference planning

An annual conference and AGM are held each spring



Core Competencies

What preparation should a parish nurse have?

- Current study as a registered nurse (BN, BScN preferred)
- Orientation to Parish Nursing
- Spiritual maturity and theological reflection
- Personal / Interpersonal skills
- Teaching / Facilitation
- Worship
- Faith community context
- Collaboration
- Management skills
- Practicum
- Continuing education

Standards of practice

- Professional practice and accountability
- Wholistic nursing care and health promotion
- Facilitation of spiritual care
- Communication and Collaboration
- Advocacy and Ethics
- Research and Evidence Informed practice

More details at www.capnm.ca