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Welcome from MINIG Executive

This year's AGM is just around the corner and the Men in Nursing Interest Group Executive Team is inviting all members to attend! Join us from 0900-1200 on Saturday, April 28, 2012 at the RNAO Home Office in the Boardroom: 158 Pearl St. Toronto, Ont. M5H-1L3. **Breakfast is on us. Please RSVP @ minig.rnao@gmail.com**

Welcome to our winter edition of the newsletter. At this time, I would like to thank everyone back to your RNAO and MINIG membership. It's been a hectic year and we are happy to report that MINIG has accomplished a lot. Our membership continues to grow and our power is in the numbers. We would like to take this opportunity to remind your friends and/or colleagues whom have yet to join the RNAO and/or MINIG that it is never too late. We are continuing to recruit for executive roles and are looking forward to see new faces interested in fulfilling these roles. These roles include the following:

Political Action Executive Network Officer-

- Provide leadership for political action activities within the MINIG
- Establish relationship with key government and political leaders in matters relating to men in nursing
- Network with other stakeholders and politicians
- Keep abreast of political developments, events, emerging issues as they relate to health and nursing



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Student Representative-

Looking for an enthusiastic 2nd or 3rd year nursing student.

- Attend MINIG teleconference meetings
- Contribute to our quarterly newsletter
- Promote MINIG to nursing students across Ontario
- Be the voice for men in nursing for students
- Act as a link to distribute MINIG information to nursing students.

Communication Officer-

- Enhance the media profile of the MINIG
- Manage the MINIG Facebook Fan Page
- Establish working relationships with appropriate media contacts in major media outlets
- Work with the RNAO Communications Department to customize association letters to the editor, and create opportunities for interviews by local reporters

Please consider the application process; please send me an email outlining your expression of interest and outline how and what you will bring to the role and to the Executive Team. This is a great opportunity and can benefit both the individual and the group. We look forward to hearing from you.

David Keselman, MINIG President

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Yet another calendar year...Yet another MINIG term...

To some, the approaching end of the year signifies the end of something: the conclusion of commitments, the completion of terms, and the wrap up of 2011. Here in MINIG, the end of the year answers the rhetoric *Why MINIG?* MINIG has seen great individuals grow into even spectacular leaders. Historically, our active executive members have led on to achieve high profile careers. These members are inspired by MINIGs ultimate goal of advancing the nursing profession.

As we venture into 2012, we celebrate the active members whose answer to the rhetoric continues to be "...to make a difference..." Moving forward, the start of the 2012 year begin with a positive step of celebrating career advancements for our active members taking on new challenges in the workplace and various nursing organizations (i.e. RNAO, CNO, etc). For 2012, 'Why MINIG?' brings forth various opportunities for personal and professional growth, networking, leadership, and most of all, to make a difference in Nursing. While some MINIG members will continue to serve the group in their current capacity, other MINIG members should be inspired to become active.

The limitations of time should not be the limiting factor to participate. MINIG appreciates the efforts you dedicate either as an active executive or an adhoc member [focused commitments – time sensitive]. Your inspirations for 'WHY MINIG?' will not only advance MINIGs goals, but more importantly, the growth you gain from being an active member.

Franklin F. Garaspe IV RN MN



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To the men out there considering nursing as a career choice take the leap of faith and the sky is your limit. For those of you who already have “congratulations!”. Your career prospects have no limits if you are willing to dream big and work hard.

I for one have benefitted immensely by having this awesome man/nurse/teacher as my mentor and I am sure I will continue to benefit from his vast education and experience as my career develops

Deb Scott, RN

Membership Update

Our membership continues to grow each week. The MINIG currently has 161 members (71 RNs and 93 Students). Our membership is made up of 126 men and 35 women from 70 different locations across Ontario!

The top five locations with the highest number of MINIG members are:

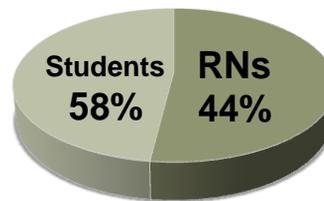
Toronto (33members)

London (19)

Windsor (8)

Hamilton (7)

Thunder Bay (4)



If you're interested to find out how many MINIG members are in your area or if you would like to help promote MINIG in your area please contact us at minig.rnao@gmail.com for more details.



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We want to hear from you!

Do you have a nursing story or personal experience that you want to share?

Have you been involved with your local media?

Is there a nursing issue at your work or school that you want to share or seek feedback on?

Do you want to share a piece of interesting literature or resource?

Do you have a question that you want to ask the MINIG membership?

If yes, please contact us and we can feature you the Members' Voices section of our next newsletter!

The Men in Nursing Interest Group is on also Facebook. Join the group today to network with other members and get the latest on what the MINIG is doing. By joining the group, it also gives you an opportunity to post your suggestions and comments.

Help to spread the word of MINIG. Our strength comes in our numbers. If you would like more information on our membership or resources to promote MINIG in your area please let us know.

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*Darrell Jatzzi, RN
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