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Hello Everyone

On behalf of the NAPANc Board of directors and myself, I would like to take this opportunity to thank each of you for your daily commitment and work in the PeriAnesthesia environment. I invite you to celebrate one another during PeriAnesthesia Nurses Week February 3-9, 2020

“On a team, it is not the strength of the individual players but it is the strength of the unit and how they all function together” - Bill Belichick

Working together we indeed can make a world of difference in our patients’ journey through the PeriAnesthesia environment. Our team is expansive, Nurse Managers who work to ensure that staffing ratios and standards of care are met, Educators that ensure everyone is provided with the recent studies information keeping practice and skills that are evidence based and current, those providing direct patient care; the pre op assessment nurse, admitting nurses, day of surgery nurses, post anesthesia care nurses and extended care nurse you are first to greet and last to interact with patients before discharge. Your impact on these individuals will be lasting, the information provided in preparation will commence the means of a calm and more relaxed journey for them. Our response to their needs and questions will make a difference, sometimes it is as simple as the squeeze of a hand for assurance or that extra warm blanket that makes them feel safe. As they proceed through this journey, we will become their sixth sense anticipating and responding to their physical, emotional and spiritual needs guiding them to optimal wellness to be discharged home or admitted to the in-patient unit.

As we all work in a very close environment, I encourage you to be kind and supportive of one another.

Our Standards committee is currently working on the fifth edition of our standards. With ever changing technology and evolving practices we must stay current to provide safe, ethical care to our patients. Take the time to read and know your standards.

It takes many volunteer hours to keep our national and provincial association and committees viable. To all who commit to this I would like to say thank you on behalf of all PeriAnesthesia Nurses.

Happy and enjoyable Peri Anesthesia Nurses week, do celebrate and support one another because together we do “MAKE A WORLD OF DIFFERENCE”

Sincerely

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