



# NEWSLETTER

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## MESSAGE FROM ICCER

Happy End-of-May, everyone! Summer is around the corner and it couldn't get here fast enough. We hope it is sunny skies from here on and no more unexpected snow storms!

My name is Anna Ali and it is my pleasure to be the new Program Coordinator, for ICCER. I look forward to communicating with you all and helping increase ICCER's initiatives.

As this year continues to be a distorted path of unknowns and significant change, I encourage you all to reflect, reach out to your support systems, and continue manifesting a COVID-free future!

Thank you for your continued support.

**Anna Ali**

Program Coordinator  
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## CONTINUING CARE CELEBRATIONS

### Continuing Care Celebrates Mother's Day!

Mother's Day was Sunday, May 9th, and once again physical distance remained the guiding principle for celebrations. Many were unable to see extended family and opted for a low-day day at home, while others sent love across two meters and contrived new ways to show their affection.

Families, across Edmonton, with loved ones in long-term care (LTC) homes got creative with driveway visits, window concerts, and take-out restaurant brunches. As well, many LTC homes arranged flower deliveries for their residents. Bethany Care Society worked with surrounding communities to fundraise for Mother's Day flower deliveries from Petal and Blum Creative. Needless to say, it also delivered smiles to many mothers and grandmothers.

Capital Care Foundation also arranged for flower arrangement deliveries through local businesses. In addition, The Foundation team added virtual Mother's Day postcards through their "Let's Connect Postcard Program".

Amazing initiative from local facilities!



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- BETHANY CARE SOCIETY  
- CAPITAL CARE FOUNDATION  
- CTV EDMONTON

## ICCER UPDATES

### Meet The New Program Coordinator



HELLO  
I AM...  
NEW



**Anna Ali**  
**Program Coordinator**

Hello, everyone! I am the new Program Coordinator for the Institute of Continuing Care Education and Research (ICCER). Prior to joining ICCER, I held positions in the public sector and the private sector, including the Government of Alberta and Deloitte. I earned an undergraduate degree in Marketing from Vancouver Island University and I am currently pursuing my Social Media Certificate from the University of Alberta. As a strong believer in the power of visual communications, I love to develop digital media that inspires and enhances the lives of others. As for hobbies, I enjoy a good Netflix binge and midnight snacking but I can also be found making handmade customized cards for my brand “Card Attack”.



Connect with Anna on [LinkedIn!](#)

## JOIN OUR COMMUNITIES OF PRACTICE

ICCER started a Music Care Community of Practice (CoP) in fall 2016 and since then have added a CoP for Educators and Best Practice Leads in continuing care, as well as a collaborative working group for continuing care policies. All organizational members are welcome to participate! Associate members are invited to join the Music Care and Educators CoPs.

- **Music Care CoP** - To help members become more aware of the music care options and resources available to them, as well as discuss issues related to implementation.
- **Continuing Care Educators CoP** - An opportunity for members to share resources, discuss strategies for integrating knowledge to practice, and explore the connection between curriculum and clinical education/ practice.
- **Policy Working Group** - ICCER has started a collaborative working group for organizational members to work together on policies, procedures, and forms in hopes of making the audit process easier and more consistent.

## MEMBERSHIPS

Become an Individual ICCER member! Individuals not associated with an ICCER organizational or associate membership can join the ICCER network for \$150/year.

Individual members get free access to ICCER events and webinars. If you are employed by one of ICCER's member organizations or associate members, you are already considered a member and are eligible for the related benefits! Individual memberships run April 1st to March 31st of each year.

Please note that refunds will not be provided under any circumstance. All payments will be through our automated payment system.

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## RESOURCES

### National Research:

**AGING 2.0** - A snapshot of global innovation in aging and senior care

Click [here](#) to read report

**New Horizons for Seniors Program** - a federal Grants and Contributions program that supports projects led or inspired by seniors who make a difference in the lives of others and in their communities.

Click [here](#) for more information

### Canada Home Care Association/Canadienne de Soins et Services a Domicille:

**Am I Safe?** - Supporting conversations about patient safety in home

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**Health Quality Council of Alberta** - patient concerns management

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