



Nurses have the opportunity to heal the heart, mind, soul and body of our patients, their families and ourselves. They may forget your name but they will never forget how they made you feel. *Maya Angelou*

Windsor Regional Hospital Salutes WRH Nurses!

Recognition is extended to all WRH Nurses during the 2012 Nurses Week. Special congratulations are extended to Nursing Excellence Award Winners—Frontline/Bedside Nurse—**Sherri LaRose-Rossi** (Complex Continuing Care), Floor Leader—**Sharon Girard** (Complex Continuing Care) and Team Player, **Margaret Genna** (Cancer Program). A Windsor Regional Hospital Nurse is also the proud recipient of the Lois Fairley Award this year—congratulations to **Ursula Debono** (Paediatrics) for that distinct honour. Also congratulations are extended to **Stephanie Grayer** (Complex Continuing Care) and **Giselle Borrowman** (Family Birthing) for winning Daisy Awards.

Rib and Chicken Dinner

Tickets are now on sale for the annual Rib/Chicken Dinner held in memory of Gary Proctor. This annual event organized by WRH retiree Linda Proctor, is being held on Saturday, May 26. Tickets are \$16 for ribs and \$14 for chicken and can be purchased in the Foundation office at Met Campus and by contacting Rose Grant-Rennie (965-3776) at Tayfour Campus. All proceeds support Palliative Care at WRH.

How Many Push Ups Can You Do in 90 Seconds?

A push up challenge will be sponsored by Refine Fitness at 1623 Wyandotte St. You can sign up at www.pushupchallengeforcharity.ca or come out and cheer on participants. All proceeds support the Cornerstone of Caring Campaign. For more information contact Kim Willis-More at ext. 52458.

Electronic Pay Stubs Introduced at WRH

In April 2012, Windsor Regional Hospital introduced electronic pay stubs. If you need help/training about how to use Outlook, save or print your electronic statement after receiving your “user id and password”, please contact Liz Wilson in Learning Resources at extension 72372.

Third National Hand Hygiene Day—May 7th, 2012

WRH proudly announces the great success and participation of staff, volunteers, and visitors (including children) in the Hand Hygiene Day. Celebrity pumpers did an excellent job explaining the importance of Hand Hygiene and healthy lifestyle. Staff are reminded that it is mandatory to sanitize your hands upon entry and exit of the Hospital every day as well as the Four Moments of Hand Hygiene: before entering patient’s room / environment, before clinical procedures, after providing patient care, and before leaving the room. Many thanks to all those who participated in the success of the day

Did you know?

Nurses make up one third of the employees at Windsor Region Hospital—with a count of approximately 1,000 Full -Time equivalent positions. Nurse designations include Nurse Practitioners, Registered Nurses and Registered Practical Nurses.

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Safety Talk



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Welcome to Safety Talk. Safety Talk is a new quarterly publication issued by WRH's Occupational Health and Safety Department. Each issue will focus on a different workplace topic.



North American Occupational Safety and Health (NAOSH) Week

There was a time when the loss of life or worker injuries was just "a cost of doing business". Today, the approach to safety has improved. Safety should be a priority and that work related injuries, illnesses and fatalities are socially and morally unacceptable.

May 6 – 12 2012 is North American Occupational Safety and Health Week (NAOSH) – an annual event that places emphasis on the prevention of injuries and illnesses in the workplace. NAOSH Week presents an excellent opportunity to focus, reinforce and strengthen the commitment to occupational health and safety. Having a spotlight on workplace health and safety has been proven to:

- Improve attitudes towards safety
- Increase understanding of occupational health and safety
- Enhance overall workplace health and safety culture.

During this week, and always, WRH staff are encouraged to fulfill their work functions with health and safety in mind. **Remember – Health and Safety – A Commitment for Life!**

Workplace health and safety is EVERYBODY's responsibility! In fact, the overall philosophy of the Occupational Health and Safety Act is based on the Internal Responsibility System – outlining responsibilities for the employer, management and workers.

Windsor Regional Hospital uses the Health and Safety Management System (HSMS) to measure and improve workplace health and safety practices. Our Five Step HSMS model recognizes that safety starts at the top! The primary focus of the model is to assess hazards and risks, set OHS targets and goals and apply preventative and corrective action.



Health and safety is a process, one that is ongoing and always requires improvement. Our HSMS prompts the organization to regularly monitor our overall health and safety program on a regular basis allowing us to celebrate our successes and to identify program gaps. An organizational review determines where program improvements are needed and creates elements for Occupational Health and Safety Department's Continuous Improvement Plan. Action plans for health and safety are created and assigned to key WRH staff to ensure corrective measures are taken and that processes are in place to effectively reduce the risks of injury or illness. The HSMS assists Windsor Regional Hospital with its' commitment to providing and maintaining a healthy and safe work environment and taking every precaution reasonable to ensure the protection of staff from risk of injury or illness.

Did you know?

On average, 3 Canadian workers are killed on the job every day?
Approximately 2 work-related fatalities are reported every week in Ontario?

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