

#### Canadian Association of Nurses for the Environment



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### **CANE Incorporation**

A big thank you to everybody who attended our AGM this year! 2021-2022 was an important year for CANE as it saw us incorporate as an organization! We look forward with anticipation to seeing what 2022-2023 will bring! As always, we want to thank you for your continued dedication and support!

As of August 30, 2022, CANE has officially incorporated as an organization! We continue to work towards obtaining Charitable Status.

A big thank you to Lindsay Komar for all her hard work and dedication to this effort over the past year!

As part of this work, CANE has moved to a new fiscal year, which includes when membership years will begin.

The fiscal year of the Association shall be the calendar year, September 1st to August 31st.

In line with this, the CANE membership year will now occur during the same dates, beginning on September 1st. This means all memberships currently paid until April 2023 will be extended to August 31st, 2023.



### Join a CANE Committee!

To fulfill our mission and achieve our objectives, CANE carries out much of our work through our committees. All CANE members are invited and encouraged to participate in the work of our committees.

Join our Education, Public Relations, Environmental Justice and Reconciliation, Membership or Funding Committee today!

To Join, send a message to the Committee Chair(s) through our CANE contact form:

https://cane-aiie.ca/who-we-are/#contact



# New Funding Committee!

CANE recently created a new Funding Committee with Lindsay Komar and Judith Lapierre acting as Co-Chairs! This committee will be working largely on CANE's charitable status application in the coming months as well as obtaining funding for the organization.

If you are interested in joining the committee please reach out to CANE.

### **Committee Chairs**

#### **Public Relations Committee:**

Chair - Jessica Madrid

#### **Education Committee:**

Chair - June Kaminski

#### **Environmental Justice and**

#### **Reconciliation Committee:**

Chairs: Alysha Jones and Julie Aeyelts

#### Membership Committee:

Chair: Kaila Radan

#### Funding Committee:

Chairs: Lindsay Komar and Judith

Lapierre



#### **Open Board Position**

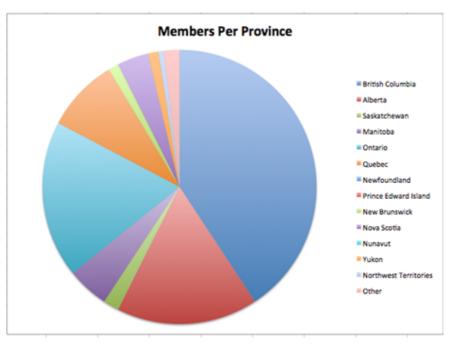
Currently we have an open Executive Board position for a Northern Region representative (Yukon, Northwest Territories and Nunavut). If interested, you can apply on our website: https://caneaiie.ca/who-we-are/#board

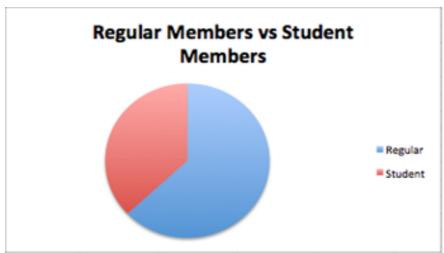
# **Membership Updates**

CANE currently has 164 members! You can see their distribution by province or territory, and regular and student members below!

#### Please visit our Membership Page

https://cane-aiie.ca/membership/





# **New Membership Year**

The CANE Membership year now runs from September 1st to August 31st

## **President's Report**

President's Report (2021 - 2022) - Year 1 of 2 of Presidency by Jacqueline (Jack) Avanthay Strus, RN, MSN, PhD(c)

This report is intended to highlight the work that I have been most involved in as President, and is not intended to be comprehensive list



of all CANE activities over the last year. As President of CANE, I am proud to have overseen and supported the following tasks/accomplishments over the last year:

- Completion of CANE's 5-year Strategic Plan (i.e. year one to five bench-marks complete) (see attached for tasks completed in the last year).
- Working closely with Funding Coordinator Lindsay Komar: McConnel Foundation Grant application completed to increase capacity (400 000 \$), Met with Trottier Foundation (next grand application once charitable status obtained).
- Incorporation of CANE as of August 30th, continuing with the process of charitable application.
- Represented CANE for the National Poverty Reduction Strategy Consultations.
- CASN/CANE partnership for webinar.
- Date/time: Oct 19, 12-1 EST
- Link to recording: https://youtu.be/tHCj41Qeoa0
- Introduction to the Planetary Health Education Framework (PHEF) | Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing / Association canadienne des écoles de sciences infirmières (CASN / ACESI).
- Partnership with the Canadian Federation of Nurses Union over the summer to create a toolkit for frontline nurses to create change.
- Memorandum of Understanding signed with Canadian Association of Physician's for the Environment.
- Fossil Fuel Ad Ban Campaign (ongoing)
- Partnership with Health Canada Radon Initiative to create resources for expectant parents.
   (15 000 \$).
- Partnership with National Collaborating Center for the Determinants of Health (NCCDH) ⇒
   Creation of assessment tool for pregnant people.
- CANE has been asked to review a health care professionals course Taking Action on Planetary Health (TAPH) (will be reviewed by myself, Fiona Hanley and Lindsay Komar on behalf of nurses/CANE).
- Joined Climate Action Network Canada-Réseau action climat Canada.

# President's Report (cont)

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- Partnerships with CASCADES.
- - Webinar series
- Highlighting nurses stories
- Inhaler initiative
- Became an affiliate of the Canadian Partnership for Children's Health and the Environment.
- · Health schools day
- - MIREC study with nurses
- Joined Canadian Coalitiaton for Environnmental and Climate Justice. Representative is the EJR Committe Chair.
- - Enrich Project Toxic Products Awareness Project
- Nurses Climate Challenge- Schools of Nursing partnership to create educational resources for undergraduate and graduate nursing programs.
- Climate and Planetary Health Education Ressources for Nurses.
- Green Resilience project.
- · CANE hosted one of the conversations in Sooke with Alysha Tylynn-Jones
- Speaker at ANHE National Climate Summit.
- Le Secrétariat international des infirmières et infirmiers de l'espace francophone (SIDIIEF):
   Poster presentation highlighting the work of Canadian Nurses working in Climate as well as CANE/ACIIE.
- Creation of funding committee.
- Signatory Aviation emission.
- Support for Bill C-226 Press Release by CCEJC.
- Signatory Vaccine Equity Letter.
- Signatory Fortis BC Curriculum.
- Signatory Canada Letter on Glascow Statements/FFS Expectations.
- Signatory Bill C-28 Act to Ammend CEPA, 1999.
- Signatory Unnnatural Gas Campaign.
- Signatory Ending Fossil Fuel Subsidies and Public Finance.
- Signatory Health Letter Fossil Fuel Ad Ban Campaign.
- Signatory to letter to phase out fossil fuels to PM.
- Signatory CPCHE letter for CEPA reform.
- Signatory of The Fossil Fuel Non-Proliferation Treaty.

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- Letter to support research grant application: CANE member part of research team that submitted application.
- Title: Exploring the relationship between high temperatures and cardiovascular diseaserelated morbidity and mortality: Differences across vulnerable groups and geographic areas in Canada
- - Funding: Heart & amp; Stroke: \$ 239,826
- - Program: Grant-in-Aid
- Status: Funding requested: 2023, April 2026, March

It has been an honour to serve CANE in the Presidential capacity over the last year. Thank you!

# Do you want to Present about CANE?

If you are interested in presenting about CANE at a school of nursing you are affiliated with or at your workplace please reach out to Kaila at secretary@cane-aiie.ca for access to a CANE promotional presentation (complete with speaker's notes)!

### Follow our CANE Social Media Channels

If you haven't yet followed CANE on our social media platforms please do so and remember to spread the word! Please follow us on <u>Facebook, Twitter, LinkedIn,</u> and <u>Instagram</u> where you can like and share our posts!

You can find our accounts here:







Download our Social Media <u>Graphics to share</u>

## **Campaign Highlights**

### Fossil Fuel Ads (Still) Make Us Sick!

CANE continues to support the Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment (CAPE) in their fossil fuel ad-ban campaign! You can help us by:

- Joining the 280+ community members and healthcare professionals in sending a one-click action letter to your elected officials.
- Joining the Fossil Fuels Make Us Sick newsletter for campaign updates.
- Tagging CANE and CAPE on social media if you see any examples of fossil fuel greenwashing.
- To learn more visit: www.stopfossilfuelads.ca
- As a voice for nurses, we have a responsibility to speak up when we think people's health is in danger. Air pollution from fossil fuels causes between 15,000 and 34,000 premature deaths in Canada each year.

"Fossil fuels affect those who are least able to protect themselves or have a choice in protecting themselves, including those living in poverty and racialized populations who are most likely to live in areas of increased air pollution related to fossil fuels," - Jacqueline Avanthay Strus, CANE President

# Download CANE Social Media Amplification Toolkit and share to spread the word!



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## Study of Interest

### The Mental Health & Climate Change Alliance

The Mental Health & Climate Change Alliance is looking to recruit participants for a research study exploring how climate change affects mental health in Canada!

Our team at the Mental Health and Climate Change Alliance (MHCCA) is working on a new research project investigating climate change-related distress and resilience, and we need your support! To understand how our mental health is impacted by climate change, we need participants to contribute to a series of 3 focus group interviews. These interviews will help us develop a national survey to help monitor the psychological, emotional and social impacts of climate change in Canada.

#### Why you should participate:

- You may gain a better understanding of how climate change can affect your wellbeing, and how to cope with potential climate-related hardships
- You will be reimbursed \$50 in cash for each of the 3 focus group interviews (and can earn up to \$150 in total)
- You will help advance novel research that is urgently needed in Canada
- You will become a part of a growing community that can help Canadian decisionmakers respond to the climate crisis more meaningfully and efficiently

If you are interested in joining this project, live in Canada, and are 16 years of age or older, please register your interest at <a href="https://mhcca.ca/research">https://mhcca.ca/research</a>



### **Featured Recorded Event**

#### Introduction to the Planetary Health Education Framework

CANE and CASN presented this important event on October 19, 2022

This webinar introduced the Planetary Health Education Framework (PHEF) to Nurse Educators. The PHEF is a transdisciplinary effort that aims to guide the education of global citizens, health practitioners, and professionals to address the complex Planetary Health challenges of our world today. The framework can be understood as a common foundational language that serves as the blueprint for diverse education strategies.

The approach for developing the planetary health education framework built upon the earlier work of the 12 cross-cutting principles for planetary health education. A major focus of the education framework is to provide a tool towards the achievement of the UN Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs), and the Intergovernmental Science-Policy Platform on Biodiversity and Ecosystem Services (IPBES).

The five main domains proposed in this framework will be described, as they are the essence for planetary health knowledge, values, and practice. These five domains are: interconnection within Nature; the Anthropocene and health; system thinking and complexity; equity and justice; and movement building and system change. The interdependent and interconnected nature of each of the domains becomes the core of the framework.

This framework looks beyond thematic areas of interest or a prescriptive list of competencies, moving towards the recognition of the diverse inquiries that can shape Planetary Health Education. The PHEF domains can be applied to inform education inclusive of nursing research, education, advocacy/policy, and practice.

View the Recording and Learn More about the Framework:

Click Image



# **Upcoming Events**

#### Climate Emergency: Taking Action on Planetary Health Conference

Conference | virtual

Climate Emergency: Taking Action on Planetary Health



Register

We are pleased to announce that the annual Climate Emergency conference, hosted by the Canadian Association of Physicians for the Environment (CAPE), is back this fall in virtual format. This year, the topics will be focused on taking action on planetary health.

The World Health Organization has stated that the climate crisis is the biggest health concern of the 21st century and the Lancet has said that fighting climate change could be the greatest global health opportunity. If we do not make major changes to reduce greenhouse gas emissions in the next 10 years, the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC) predicts catastrophic effects on the environment and human health. This conference will inspire us all in our health care roles to better understand these issues and advocate for necessary systemic change.

Who should join us? This conference will be of interest to physicians, medical learners, nurses, and other health professionals.

When: October 29, 2022 7:30 am - 4:30 pm PDT

#### Sign up here:

https://ubccpd.ca/learn/learning-activities/course?eventtemplate=344-climateemergency-taking-action-on-planetary-health

NOTE: CANE Board Members Helen Boyd, RN and Maya Reshef-Kalogirou, RN, PhD will be leadning this workshop during the conference: A) How Project Drawdown can provide a framework for reducing society's carbon output

## **Upcoming Events**

#### **Empowering Students to Overcome Climate Anxiety**

When it comes to climate change, studies have shown that youth are more likely to report mental health concerns in comparison to older generations. In this webinar we are joined by two nursing professionals, Natania Abebe, a double master's graduate in Nursing and Public Health and Raluca Radu, lecturer in the School of Nursing from the University of British Columbia, to talk about the relationship between climate change and mental health.

Our guests will present an interactive resource toolkit that was developed as part of Natania's graduate project which focused on climate change and mental health. This presentation aims to explore strategies for supporting students experiencing eco-anxiety. The presentation will be followed by a question and answer period.

When: November 24 @ 9:00 am - 10:00 am PST

Sign up here:

https://campusmentalhealth.ca/webinars/empowering-students-to-overcomeclimate-anxiety/



# **Upcoming Events**

# Governance Back: Exploring Indigenous Approaches to Reclaiming Land Governance



#### Organized by the David Suzuki Foundation

Hot off the heels of a report of the same name, co-author and Professor Aimée Craft of the Decolonizing Water Project, along with Chairman Valentin Lopez, Chairman of the Amah Mutsun Tribal Band, will explore how ecological and social justice can be advanced through creative initiatives that return land stewardship responsibilities, relationships and accompanying livelihoods to Indigenous Peoples. Co-author and boreal project manager at the David Suzuki Foundation Rachel Plotkin will moderate the discussion. A period of question and answer will follow.

This event is a follow up to our widely watched video series Land Back: Past, Present, Future: https://davidsuzuki.org/what-you-can-do/what-is-land-back/

On November 3 at 3:30 p.m. Eastern, join us to learn about the different approaches nations can take to revitalize Indigenous governance over land and water. From granting legal personhood to nature to re-establishing cultural practices to establishing modern treaties, different mechanisms have been adopted in different contexts.

When: November 3 @ 12:30 pm - 1:30 pm PDT

Sign up here: https://us02web.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN\_MzZxMYQUQ5CCcdDQ2ETL6g?
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