

## **Slate of CGNA Directors for 2021-2023**

### **Starting a 2-year term (election in 2021):**

President-Elect: **Julie Rubel**

Secretary: **Therese Lim** or **Diane Paley** (election; please see attached biographies)

Director of Communications: **Kelly Baskerville**

Director of Education: **Lillian Hung\***

Director of Alberta: **Edythe Andison**

Director of Manitoba: **Jennifer Fulcher**

Director of Newfoundland and Labrador: **Carla Wells**

Director of Ontario: **Melanie Kelly**

Director of Prince Edward Island: **Valerie Abd-El-Aziz**

Director of New Brunswick: **Sylvie Bernard**

Director of Nova Scotia: **Katie Pitt**

\*this person is starting their second 2-year term. A maximum of two consecutive 2-year terms are allowed by CGNA Bylaw 5.05-e.

### **Completing second year of a 2-year term (elected in 2020):**

Treasurer: **Lindsay Thomas**

Director of British Columbia: **Shelly Canning**

Note, the position of President is appointed, having been elected as President-Elect at the AGM of 2019. Elaine Campbell is starting the first year of a 2-year term as President in 2021. Her presidency will be re-confirmed by a vote of the CGNA Board at the first meeting after the AGM in 2021 and again after the AGM in 2022 (bylaw 5.05-a). Lori Schindel Martin starts her 2-year term as Past-President in 2021.

## Candidates for Secretary, CGNA Board of Directors, 2021-2023

### LIM, Therese

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Therese is currently the Clinical Information Analyst for St Joseph's Care Group, a multi-site, multi-sector healthcare organization that provides care and services in Senior's Health, Rehabilitative Care and Addictions & Mental Health to the people of the city of Thunder Bay and Northwestern Ontario. The position focuses on the use of data from mandatory completion of the Resident Assessment Instrument (RAI) in Long-term Care, Complex Care and Mental Health. This, and other clinical data are integral in the provision of clinical care and quality improvement measures.

A Registered Nurse in Thunder Bay, Ontario, she has maintained her specialty certification in Gerontological Nursing-GNC(c) through the Canadian Nurses Association since 2000. She holds an Honours Bachelor of Science in Nursing and a Bachelor of Arts in Sociology from Lakehead University.

Therese has been a member of the Gerontological Nursing Association Ontario (GNAO) since 2010. She served as the charter Secretary/Treasurer of the GNAO Northwest Chapter 2010-2014 and Chapter President 2015-17. In April 2017, she transitioned to the position of GNAO Provincial President Elect, and to date, is the Immediate Past President of the organization. She is completing her second year as the Ontario Director on the CGNA Board.

In today's society, some degree of interaction with older people is an unavoidable reality of life. Even more so if one is a Nurse. The work done by CGNA will support Nurses to provide quality, evidence informed care to the older adult, regardless of the healthcare setting.

### PALEY, Diane

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Diane Paley, LPN is an Executive member of Alberta Gerontological Nurses Association (AGNA). Passionate about lifelong learning, she became a nurse in her 50's, after a 27-year career in Telecommunications. And passionate about working with Seniors, she built her knowledge and nursing skills, as a team lead, and as a Resident Care Manager at a Calgary Retirement Residence, followed by a 7-year practice on a hospital medical unit incorporating full scope of practice.

Her telecom career was based on highly developed teams – customer service, new product and service development, service implementation, technology and network development – locally, nationally and internationally. Many would question why she would return from a rewarding 3-year assignment in a moderately mild U.S. location. Home. She says Canada is home – mind you at times too darn cold – but home.

Total Quality. Continuous Improvement. Teamwork. All valuable in my AGNA Executive positions of Secretary, Treasurer, Membership and Projects Liaison.

However – the tip of the iceberg? Becoming one of the first LPNs to receive Gerontological Certification from the Canadian Nurses Association – an honor!