

## FROM THE CHAIR

As the chair of IPNIG it was an invigorating day at the RNAO Queen's Park Day Thursday Feb 20 2020. I attended with Kaitlin M.Brulotte our events planner. Doug Ford gave an impromptu speech at the breakfast meeting supporting nurses and all that we do. I was placed at a table with MPP from Mississauga - Natalia Kusendova who is a young MPP and an RN. We talked about nurses in Independent Practice as well as the two RNAO items of Safe Consumptions Sites and RN care in LTC homes. At Hart House In the afternoon, Kaitlin and I heard from the three parities - Christine Elliot (PC), France Gelinias (NDP) and a Liberals rep. On Thursday we heard a presentation from Ontario Health Team Phil Graham. All had great respect for RNs and all that we do in Ontario. I attended the Interest Group meetings on Feb 20th and 21st representing approximately 300 RNAO IPNIG RN/NP members and 1200 RN students. I kept our interest group upfront and centre with RNAO by participating in group discussions and at the microphone. We will be holding our **IPNIG AGM Saturday June 13, 2020** at a breakfast meeting so please plan to attend. We will be voting in a new student rep and treasurer, so if interested please contact me. I hope to see you there at the 95th Annual RNAO AGM where we will be hosting an IPNIG information table. You can register on the myrna website. Sincerely,



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These are trying times, to say the least. But here's where we come together as a community - while maintaining social distance - to combat the spread of the coronavirus. Our thoughts are with the people who have contracted the disease, and with front line health care workers who are selflessly committed to treating patients in our hospitals and clinics. All of us can do our part by practicing strict preventative measures, thoroughly sanitizing our workplaces and vigorously and constantly washing our hands. It's also important that we put facts in front of speculation, that we prevent and protect and not panic. Together, we will get through this by being smart and being safe. - Tracey Hotta Newsletter Editor



## Reflect Before you Inject

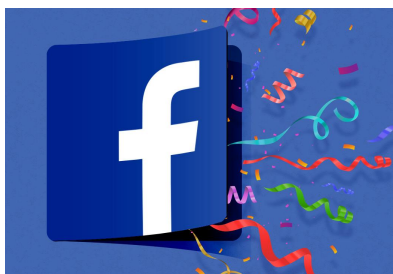
Do you consider administering cosmetic injectables to be a high-risk activity? You should.

To keep patients safe and prevent avoidable harm, the nurse must:

1. Obtain proper authorization
2. Reflect on one's practice
3. Assess the patient
4. Assess the environment
5. Follow best practices for infection prevention and control

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## Preparing for Independent Practice Nursing

Independent practice nurses must follow the standards and guidelines set forth by the CNO, RNAO, and Health Canada. Below are a few documents that can assist a nurse to prepare for a new career in independent practice nursing

[CNO Practice Guideline For Independent Practice:](#)

[CNO info re: Health Professional Corporation:](#)

[A Guide to the Personal Health Information Protection Act](#)

[Personal Health Information Protection Act:](#)

[NurseInsure for RNAO members:](#)

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