

# Care to Be the Best<sup>®</sup>

## Occupational Health Nursing



*"Obtaining certification enhances professional credibility, career opportunities and demonstrates to our patients, clients, employers, nursing colleagues and the public that we value practice excellence and are committed to delivering expert standards of care. The Canadian Occupational Health Nurses Association encourages all occupational health nurses to become certified through CNA. Certification matters!"*

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**Did you know** over 650 occupational health RNs across Canada now have their national COHN(C) certification designation?

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|-------------------------------|------------|-----------------------|------------|
| Alberta .....                 | <b>125</b> | British Columbia..... | <b>43</b>  |
| Manitoba .....                | <b>19</b>  | New Brunswick.....    | <b>12</b>  |
| Newfoundland & Labrador ..... | <b>48</b>  | Nova Scotia.....      | <b>31</b>  |
| Northwest Territories.....    | <b>0</b>   | Ontario .....         | <b>379</b> |
| Prince Edward Island .....    | <b>0</b>   | Quebec.....           | <b>11</b>  |
| Saskatchewan.....             | <b>23</b>  | Yukon/Nunavut .....   | <b>1</b>   |

### What distinguishes CNA-certified nurses

- Advanced clinical expertise with a commitment to lifelong learning
- Recognized specialty knowledge, authenticated by exacting national standards
- Dedication to evidence-based care and patient safety

### What employers of certified nurses are saying about certification

- Confirms an RN's enhanced competency and specialized knowledge
- Helps to recruit and retain the best nurses
- Fosters safe, high-quality care and raises the entire education culture

## IMPORTANT DATES

### FALL 2017

|  |   |                      |
|--|---|----------------------|
| Application window to write or renew by exam | ➤ | June 1 – September 1 |
| Exam window                                  | ➤ | November 1 – 15      |
| Deadline to renew by continuous learning     | ➤ | November 30          |

### SPRING 2018

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|--|---|----------------------|
| Application window to write or renew by exam | ➤ | January 10 – March 1 |
| Exam window                                  | ➤ | May 1 – 15           |

Note: Once CNA certified, your COHN(C) credential is valid for a five-year term.

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