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President's Message

It is with mixed emotions that I write my last message as President of ORNAC. I am filled with gratitude and respect for those nurses who I have worked with on the ORNAC board. Their spirit and commitment to the organization has ensured it will continue to thrive and deliver what you, the perioperative nurse, needs.



I have had the pleasure of meeting ORNAC members and perioperative nurses from around the world and to work with them to share ideas and improve resources on a national and global scale. In the coming months and over the next few years, ORNAC will continue to improve the resources available to its members and to introduce new ideas that will assist our members in the delivery of the highest standard of care.

It is with pleasure that I share this message with your new president, Linda Socha. Linda is committed to the ideals and success of ORNAC and I know she will represent us well. She brings to the job her humour and enthusiasm as well as with a deep commitment to perioperative nursing. I respect her as both a person and a leader in the perioperative community. Being a good leader takes more than good organization skills. It involves diplomacy, a respect for others, and a democratic approach. Leaders are sought after for their abilities to reach out to everyone. By these standards Linda will be an exceptional leader. I will enjoy the next two years with her at the helm – and I suggest we all buckle up! 🌟

Marcy McKay, RN, CPN(C), is Past-President of the Operating Room Nurses Association of Canada. She is a staff nurse at Victoria General Hospital, was Conference Co-Chair for ORNAC National 2007, and is the past ORNAC Webmaster.

I deliver my first President's message with a mixture of enthusiasm and nervous anticipation. The fantastic work and dedication to ORNAC that has been provided by previous Board members has laid a strong foundation with endless opportunities for organiza-tional

growth. This groundwork is leading ORNAC into a new era that will demonstrate its commitment to improving perioperative practice and, ultimately, patient care. ORNAC is in the process of finalizing its three-year strategic plan designed to increase the focus on areas that will benefit you, the ORNAC member. Nurturing relationships with our colleagues nationally and globally, exploring new ideas for marketing ORNAC, and expanding our educational portfolio are just a few of the activities on ORNAC's agenda. Add this to the plans for continued development of the Standards document as well as expansion plans for the Journal, the website, and the national conference. Needless to say we have a lot of work to do!!

Over the past few years I have experienced firsthand the passion and fervor demonstrated by this association. It has been able to work through challenging issues while continuing to build an organization that is respected for its professional leadership in perioperative practice. I would be remiss if I didn't take this opportunity to encourage my perioperative peers to get involved with their provincial organization. Every provincial group plays an essential role in ORNAC's direction. Our collective voice can initiate change, inspire ideas, and motivate in the name of excellence. I look forward to my term as President and will strive to further the growth and development of ORNAC. Marcy said it best...buckle up! 🌟

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