



**CNAC EDUCATION PROJECTS
COMMUNIQUÉ #10
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We have reached the end of the CNAC Education projects. The process began in January 2004 and through the hard work and determination of all the stakeholders involved, it has finally reached its completion. The Canadian Association of Schools of Nursing (CASN) submitted the complete and final Educational Preparation Report to the Canadian Nursing Association (CNA) on April 13th. The National CNAC Project Steering Committee held its final teleconference on Thursday, April 15th, to review these and the other reports related to this CNAC Project. Through minor editing and formatting of all eleven reports, CNA will finalize the complete report before submission to Health Canada by the last week of April. The anticipated release of the complete report from Health Canada is in the first two weeks of May.

CASN in collaboration with the Canadian Practical Nurses Association (CPNA), Registered Psychiatric Nurses of Canada (RPNC), and Canadian Association of Practical Nurse Educators (CAPNE) would like to extend their thanks to the researchers for a job well done. In addition, we would like to further extend our thanks and appreciation to all nursing students, faculty, deans/directors, leaders/employers, nurses and all the individuals who took the time to respond to the surveys and participate in the telephone interviews and focus groups. Your valuable contributions under extreme tight deadlines lead to the successful completion of this challenging endeavor.

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