



Legal Nurse Consultants (LNC's) are Registered Nurses who are licensed to practice by their provincial College of Nurses. They have completed additional training in the Legal Nursing Consultation field to enable them to provide services within the medical-legal arena.

Legal Nurse Consultants are trained, experienced professionals who are called upon to analyze and render an expert opinion regarding the healthcare provided in various situations under investigation and to measure it against established standards of healthcare.

What do LNC's do?

- Evaluate nursing standards of care.
- Assess whether applicable standards of care were met.
- Educate attorneys regarding medical facts/issues relating to a case/claim.
- Research applicable literature/evidence to determine merits of a case.
- Review/analyze documents comparing them to the allegations.
- Summarize medical literature.
- Screen for record tampering.
- Define/evaluate the standards of care.
- Evaluate the possible breach of duty by a healthcare practitioner/facility.
- Assist in obtaining medical records and identifying missing records.
- Organize medical records & other medically related litigation materials.
- Prepare chronologies of medical events and correlate them to the allegations.
- Provide support during discovery, depositions, trial & other legal proceedings.



What is an LNC's role?

LNC's add collaborative support in medically- related litigation and other medical-legal matters, as they relate to nursing, in many practice areas including the following:

- Medical malpractice
- Workers' compensation
- Personal injury
- Risk management
- Product liability
- Medical licensure investigation
- Fraud & abuse compliance
- Criminal law

Where do Legal Nurse Consultants practice?

LNC's can practice in a variety of settings, including:

- Lawfirms
- Government Offices
- Insurance Companies
- Hospital Risk Management
- Forensic Environments
- Consulting Firms
- Self Employed Independent Practice



About The LNCAC

The LNCAC was formed in 2009. Executive members are nominated and elected by voting members. The organization is committed to providing education to LNC's, nurses, lawyers and other members of the legal profession, hospital administrators, risk managers, and other interested parties.

The LNCAC exists to promote the recognition of LNC's as a subspecialty of nursing with the Canadian Nurses Association, and to uphold the standards applicable to the professional practice of LNC's in Canada.

The LNCAC is a grass roots organization comprised of both experienced and novice LNC's working together to establish Legal Nurse Consulting as a recognized professional subspecialty of nursing in Canada.



Guardians of the Standards of Healthcare

LNC's are Registered Nurses/Registered Psychiatric Nurses dedicated to upholding the provision of the best possible patient- centred care for everyone through guardianship of the standards of healthcare. With strong educational and experiential backgrounds, LNC's are well qualified to assess adherence to the standards of healthcare practice as applied to the nursing and healthcare professions.

Why join the LNCAC?

LNCAC members have the unique opportunity to contribute to the development of the organization as well as to the establishment of this new subspecialty of nursing in Canada.

As the organization grows the focus will include additional educational opportunities, conference, journal development, business development and professional networking.

Membership with the LNCAC provides access to the website directory listing of practicing LNC's in Canada.

Educational sessions, monthly meetings and annual general meetings are held via webex and are open to all members.

Advertisement space for your company or legal firm will be available on the website in the future.



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