Endoscopic Mucosal Resection (EMR)

Maria Cirocco, RN, & Linda Pinches RN.

Endoscopic mucosal resection, (EMR), is a minimally invasive endoscopic technique which is becoming the alternative for surgical resection of early mucosal or submucosal neoplastic lesions of the GI tract. EMR, originally called strip off biopsy, was first described for early gastric cancer in 1983 (Matsuda 2001) and has become a widely accepted technique for histologic diagnosis, for treatment of superficial malignant lesions, and for lesions with malignancy potential such as HGD.

In the past, definite tissue diagnosis of such lesions required surgical resection, but since EMR is associated with low morbidity and mortality rates, as well as low cost, it is certainly becoming a procedure of choice in the endoscopists’ arsenal. The literature describes several EMR techniques. Despite the differences, the principle is the same and provides the advantage of a full thickness resection for histo-pathologic analysis in comparison to other ablative techniques. For the purposes of this paper, we will be describing the technique developed by Dr. Haruhiro Inoue and colleagues, in the early 1990’s, of the cap or suction technique.

Endosonography used in conjunction with EMR allows the endoscopist to determine the depth of the lesions. Tumour depth is important because the deeper the tumour the greater the chance of lymph involvement. EMR criteria for tumour resection include lesions smaller than 20 mm, no lymph involvement, no ulcerations on mucosa, and maximum depth of lesion at SM1 for superficial lesions and SM3 for submucosal lesions. (Parmar & Waxman, 2000) SM1 refers to lesions that have penetrated the mucosa, muscularis mucosa and a superficial layer of the submucosa. SM2 refers to lesions reaching the 2nd portion of the submucosa, SM3 refers to a deep submucosal lesion.

EMR TECHNIQUES

The cap method is a suction technique that uses a transparent cap attached to the distal end of the endoscope. The cap should be secured to the scope with waterproof tape to prevent dislodging. The EMR kit from Olympus includes a washing catheter, injection catheter, crescent snare (Snare master) and a straight or oblique tip mucosectomy cap.

**INVASION OF ESOPHAGEAL CARCINOMA**

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The guiding light, July 2002

A Examples of EMR distal attachment caps
B EMR Cap attached to distal end of endoscope

The patient is intubated with the prepared scope and the target area is injected with saline, using approximately 8-10 ml in each of the four quadrants of the lesion. The purpose of the saline injection is to lift the lesion away from the muscle layer to prevent perforation. Epinephrine in the strengths of 1:20 may be added to the saline to prevent bleeding at the time of resection.

A Suction of lesion, post injection, into cap.
B Snare and ligation of the suctioned mucosa.

Pictures – courtesy of Carsen’s (Olympus®)

The margins of the lesion can be defined by adding several drops of sterile Methylene blue to the saline solution, which upon injection will outline the lesion by differentiating normal from abnormal tissue. A needle knife papilltome may also be used to mark the margins of the lesion by cauterizing spots at the outer perimeter.

The crescent shaped snare is prelooped in the groove of the cap. Suction is then applied to the lesion to pull it up inside the cap. The snare is pulled snugly around the lesion and cauterity is applied after the aspirated mucosa has been pushed out of the cap. Cautery settings are the same as for polypectomy procedures. Retrieval of the specimen can easily be achieved by sucking it up into the cap and removing the scope from the patient.

Example of snare pulled snugly around the lesion

PRE AND POST EMR OF DISTAL ESOPHAGEAL NODULE

Picture – Courtesy Dr. Marcon

Endo clips can be applied in the event of bleeding, therefore a loaded clipping device should always be available.

Complications of EMR include perforation, bleeding, stenosis, pain and fever from transmural burns. However, the cumulative experience seems to point to very few complications, therefore the procedure can be safely done as an outpatient basis.

PATIENT CONSIDERATIONS

1. Patient preparation:
A consent process, which includes a clear understanding of the risks, benefits and alternatives for the patient is an essential first step. Also, patients need to be aware of the treatment options in the event of a complication. Additionally, patients should have an emergency contact number upon leaving the hospital and instructed to report any bleeding, fever and acute pain to their endoscopist.

All the previous results, including EUS findings must be available at the time of the procedure. As with other procedures patients should be NPO after midnight. Depending on your department policies, an INR may be drawn. Patients should not take ASA, NSAID’s and blood thinners for 5 to 7 days pre and post procedure.

2. Post procedure
An artificial ulcer will be created therefore the patient may experience pain. Pain management strategies should be part of health teaching before and after this procedure.

Diet – Depending on physician practice we generally recommend clear fluids for one day (patients are encouraged to avoid acidic drinks like orange juice), a soft diet for one day and subsequently diet as tolerated.

Antibiotic prophylaxis is not part of the general practice, however if the ulcer is deep or fever develops, this additional patient intervention may need to be considered.

Proton Pump Inhibitors, as necessary, to promote healing of injured tissue in an anacid environment, thus promoting regeneration of normal squamous tissue.

Importance of follow up needs to be discussed with patients. Until more information becomes available, the standard recommendation at our hospital is endoscopy with jumbo, 4 quadrant biopsies of the affected area every 3 months.
If disease free then the surveillance interval will be increased to 6 months and then to 1 year.

**RESULTS**

One advantage of EMR is the potential of avoiding esophagectomy with its inherent morbidity and mortality, for patients with HGD or localized lesions in the esophagus. An additional benefit over other ablative techniques is that EMR provides the opportunity for histological diagnosis and potentially an assurance of eradication of disease.

The literature, as we discussed previously, describes numerous techniques which include overtube, ligation, suction, cap, strip biopsy and lift and cut to name a few. Randomised trials are not available using different techniques or EMR vs. esophagectomy. Follow up patient data will provide a better understanding of the value of this technique as either a stand alone or as adjunct therapy for the treatment of patients with HGD or early esophageal cancer.

**CONCLUSION**

EMR is emerging as a promising endoscopic technique for the treatment of HGD or early esophageal cancer.

The limitation from this perspective seems to be adequate endoscopic identification and depth of lesion.

Although more prospective studies are required, there seems to be no question that EMR is a technically feasible and safe procedure. At this time controversy still exists in terms of the best EMR technique as well as what is the best injecting agent. However, EMR does provide histopathologic evaluation of tissue which may reveal more advanced disease or downgrade some suspected lesions. As a stand alone, or when combined with other ablative techniques, EMR may be a curative option and only studies with larger patient populations and sufficient follow up will provide the answer. These trials will also provide answers about the risk of synchronous or metachronous lesions as well as morbidity and mortality as compared to surgical and nonsurgical techniques.

What is the bottom line? Only time will tell. However, in the real world of today, if EMR is offered as a curative technique, then close follow up of the patients is necessary to ensure their continued health.

**REFERENCES:**


**RESULTS FROM THE LITERATURE**

For the purposes of this paper, three articles were chosen for review and are summarized in the table below.

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Bronchoscope Pseudomonas Outbreak Rattles Johns Hopkins’ Hospital

More than 415 pulmonary patients at Johns Hopkins Medical Center have been contacted after they may have been exposed to Pseudomonas aeruginosa because of a design error. Of those alerted, 100 have since tested positive and two died.

Olympus recalled 15 bronchoscope models, due to a “potential looseness in the biopsy channel port housing”. The company redesigned the recalled bronchoscope models by replacing the plastic cap that screws onto the biopsy channel port housing’s threaded inner shaft with a stainless steel cap. They used more adhesive and sealant to prevent the new stainless steel cap from loosening during routine use or reprocessing.

The driving force behind the recall is being credited to a team of healthcare workers at Skyline Hospital in Nashville, Tenn, that noticed a significant increase of pulmonary patients contracting pseudomonas infections in mid-2001. These investigators inspected the bronchoscope and discovered that its biopsy channel port housing which is supposed to be secure, had become loose. Sections of this loose housing, which were inaccessible to cleaning and disinfection, were sampled and found to be contaminated with the same P aeruginosa strain as the patients’ contaminated BAL samples.

Infections following bronchoscopy and gastrointestinal endoscopy are rare but have been reported. Excluding design defects, breaches in the reprocessing protocol have been identified as the cause of each reported outbreak. Complicating factors can contribute to the failure of adequate reprocessing procedures. For example, the design of the instrument can affect the success of a cleaning and disinfection process. If an endoscope contains a channel or orifice that is very narrow and whose access is restricted, or if the endoscope contains a defective biopsy port whose design prevents thorough cleaning and disinfection, then the risk of nosocomial infection increases.

This recall of defective bronchoscopes reveals the extent to which poor instrument design can hinder contact of the cleaning and biocidal agents with every potentially contaminated surface, even if healthcare workers diligently adhere to the endoscope manufacturer’s reprocessing instructions. It is of the utmost importance that:

a) manufacturers designing reusable medical instruments facilitate the reprocessing of all of their internal (and external) surfaces;

b) companies being proactive and promptly notifying all users when their devices are recalled;

c) surveillance within health care facilities to quickly detect and formulate a prompt response to an outbreak.

In conclusion it is your responsibility to verify your inventory and should you have the following models of bronchoscope to send them immediately to the company for replacement of a more secure stainless steel cap.


For more information you may visit the following website:


www.fda.gov/cdrh/safety/endoreprocess.pdf


Michele Paquette CGRN
Education Chair

Remember that not getting what you want is sometimes a wonderful stroke of luck.

Yesterday is history, tomorrow is a mystery.

Today is a gift that is why it is called the present.
DIFFERENT SCOPES, FOR DIFFERENT FOLKS
A LOOK AT THERAPEUTIC ENDOSCOPES

Briar Harris, Reg. N.

Therapeutic Endoscopy has grown by gigantic proportions over the last two decades.

In the early days physicians usually had the use of only two or three types of endoscopes for use on patients for therapeutic as well as diagnostic problems. Their ability to achieve success was limited due to the designs of the scopes of the time.

Today the Therapeutic Endoscopist has a wide array of instruments available for his/her armamentarium. I will discuss a few.

**OBLIQUE SCOPE:**
The Oblique Scope is a side viewing gastroscope used primarily for esophageal therapy. The scope has an oblique viewing angle of 45° and presents an angular field of 130°. In addition the instrument is equipped with an accessory elevator.

The wide oblique field of view and the elevator ensure that both biopsy and the treatment of the target area can be performed easily.

Clinically, the oblique scope is used for injection of esophageal varices and biopsies of esophageal neoplasms, including Barrett’s esophagus. The scope can be used for routine gastroscopy as well.

**ZOOM COLONOSCOPE:**
Zoom endoscopes are designed to provide magnification power of up to 150 times the normal endoscopic view. By using an optical zoom method, clear images are obtainable thus enabling the diagnosis of the pit pattern in the target area.

When attempting to locate a diseased area during an examination rapid magnification is achieved by a simple thumb operated adjustment.

The Zoom Scope is used for examination of Barrett’s Esophagus, to differentiate pathology and to allow visualization of exceptionally clear images of mucosal surfaces (cellular patterns). The Zoom scope has shown to be extremely useful in the Research Setting.

**DOUBLE-CHANNEL SCOPE:**
Although double-channel scopes are not new, it has only been in recent years that physicians have come to appreciate the unique properties of this scope.

The scope is comprised of all of the regular features of a gastroscope or colonoscope but is equipped with two separate channels usually in the 3.8 and 2.8mm ranges but may be as large as 4.2 and 3.2mm.

Extremely effective aspiration can be performed through one channel, while forceps remain inserted in the other. Both channels can be used simultaneously or with the turn of a lever one channel can be dedicated to suction while the other is designated for accessories. Multiple angled biopsies can be obtained as the two channels exit at different angles.

This scope is highly effective on G.I. Bleeds, Polypectomy, and Foreign Body Removals.

**“CLOT BUSTERS” OR LARGE CHANNEL:**
A relatively new scope on the market, large channeled endoscopes feature suction channels of approximately 6.0mm. When used in a bleeding situation this scope has the ability of removing large quantities of fluid, blood or clots without fear of “clogging” the suction channel.

The large channels on these scopes also allow for use of therapeutic accessories such as forceps and snares large as 15 French.

The last scope I will discuss in this article is the Enteroscope or Small Bowel Scope.

It is unusual, if not rare that hospitals, including large teaching hospitals own a S.B.S. They are used relatively infrequently, but are essential when attempting to discern pathology of the small bowel.

Patients presenting with severe anemia but negative gastroscopies and colonoscopies are ideal candidates for this scope. Small bowel I.B.D. can be diagnosed and follow up is available for patients who have had small bowel resections in the past, to determine if re-growth has occurred.

Long, hard and sometimes dangerous over-tubes once necessary to reach the small bowel have been replaced by newer technology that no longer requires the use of over-tubes. Procedures are much better tolerated by the patient while the length of the procedure is now similar to that of a colonoscopy.

I have only touched on a small group of endoscopes available for therapeutic use in the G.I. setting.

With ongoing development of newer and smaller technologies by manufacturers there is no doubt that many new instruments with even more applications to G.I. Endoscopy will appear.
Dental Suction Tips: Valued Uses in Endoscopy Units

Recently, we questioned the use of the standard Yaunker suction device. It was proving to be an awkward and cumbersome device to use in our practice, especially during ERCP’s.

Was there something else we could try? A minor brainstorm arose and we began our search. We asked our Purchasing Department (Logistics) to help us find a supplier of a very common device that we referred to as a “Dental suction tip”. We received a Dental Suppliers Catalogue and found exactly what we were looking for. Referred to as ‘Disposable Flexible Saliva Ejectors’ “Pompes a saliva flexibles uniservice,’ in the Dental world. We needed to find out if such a device would fit into our standard suction tubing and we wanted to give it a try.

We found the tips fit well in our standard suction tubing. They pass easily into the patient’s mouth through the bite block along side the endoscope. The unique design does not allow mucosa to stick to the tip and because they are flexible, can be bent and angled in many configurations providing a comfortable application for the user and the patient without compromising the efficacy of the suction potential.

Patients with swallowing difficulties can use these tips at home as they are easy to handle, inexpensive and disposable too.

We feel this is a brilliant use of a common device, for use in our Endoscopy Unit.

The only drawback of the Saliva Ejector is that it is not supplied individually wrapped or sterile. Supplied in bags of 100pc / $ 5.95 (a bag).

To store them in our procedure rooms, we found clear plastic CD storage boxes from a Dollar Store that will each hold about 30 of the Disposable Flexible Saliva Ejectors.

Patterson Dental Canada Inc, 1-888-745-4040, www.pattersondental.com

Respectfully Submitted by Nala Murray RN, GI Clinic St Paul’s Hospital, Vancouver, BC

VALUES OF LIFE

To realize the value of ten years: Ask a newly divorced couple.

To realize the value of four years: Ask a graduate.

To realize the value of one year: Ask a student who has failed a final exam.

To realize the value of nine months: Ask a mother who gave birth to a still born.

To realize the value of one month: Ask a mother who has given birth to a premature baby.

To realize the value of one hour: Ask lovers who are waiting to meet.

To realize the value of one minute: Ask a person who has missed the train, bus or plane.

To realize the value of one second: Ask a person who has survived an accident.

To realize the value of one millisecond: Ask the person who has won a silver medal in the Olympics.

To realize the value of a friend: Lose one.

Time waits for no one.
Treasure every moment you have.
You will treasure even more when you can share it with someone special.
PRESIDENTS REPORT
June 2002

CERTIFICATION UPDATE:

The CNA is committed to proceeding with the development of the Canadian Certification Exam. Leslie Ann Patry, Certification Chair will be attending the Annual National CSGNA Conference in Newfoundland this year. She will be giving an update on progress and presenting sessions on Competency Writing and Item Writing for the Certification Exam. It is very important that ALL Members Interested in being a part of the exam development attend these sessions.

CONFERENCE UPDATE:

The Newfoundland Chapter of CSGNA are working very hard on your behalf to provide you with an exceptional educational experience and a FUN time. The Brochures have been mailed to all members. Please join us for an unforgettable Event.

This year the Board will be acknowledging the Top Three Posters presented at the Conference. The posters will be voted on by the Conference attendees. Please make sure your Chapter submits a poster.

SGNA ANNUAL COURSE:

Lorie and I attended the SGNA Annual Course in Phoenix. It was a very impressive event with over 1600 Gastroenterology Nurses in attendance. I attended sessions on Futurizing the Enterprise of Nursing, Reducing Liability Exposure, Advances in Hepatitis C Treatment, Developing Expertise in Nursing, Treatment of Colon Cancer, New Trends in Endoscopy and How One Person Can Make a Difference.

The topic that had the greatest impact on me was “How One Person Can Make a Difference”. This session was presented by a Physician who provides free service to clinics to help meet the needs of the Millions of poor and homeless in the USA who have no access to Health Care. In Canada we have access Health Care without reference to your economic standing or employment status. There are many flaws in our system and just this past year I have had to face the reality that the Elderly Home Health needs are far from met. However, we can work on this problem and improve the system. The one thing we do not want is the reduction of any of our health care services. We must support our publicly funded Health Care System and the right of every Canadian Citizen to free Health Care.

PRESIDENTS TERM:

My term as president ends with the 2002 CSGNA Annual National Conference in Newfoundland. I have thoroughly enjoyed my years on the CSGNA Board of Directors and feel very privileged to have served as your president for the past two years. It has been a very positive experience and I have grown both personally and professionally from the experience. I am sure no matter where I go or what group I volunteer with, I will never work with a more dedicated and committed group of professionals than those I have been privileged to meet and work with on the CSGNA Board of Directors. They are outstanding.

It is time again for new blood, new ideas and new leadership. I leave knowing I am leaving the CSGNA in the very capable hands of your new President, Lorie Mcgeough and her new Board of Directors. I wish them and the CSGNA every success.

Long may your Big Jib Draw –Good Luck!!!

Respectfully submitted
Lorraine Miller Hamlyn
President, CSGNA

PRESIDENT ELECT REPORT

The past two years have flown by so quickly, I think I may have missed them! Beginning at the fall conference, it will be my privilege to represent the CSGNA as the President. I look forward to the challenge and working with the organization.

This is an exciting and challenging time to be involved in healthcare. As leaders in healthcare we are presented with multiple opportunities to influence, educate and link with our colleagues. Being an active member of the CSGNA has allowed me to grow and commit to myself to the CSGNA and GI Nursing. Professionally and personally this has proved to be an asset. I will continue to encourage others to join and participate.

I am looking forward to an exciting meeting in St. John’s.

See you there.

Sincerely, Lorie McGeough

DEAR COLLEAGUES

It’s time again to renew your annual membership for the 2002-2003 year. Our renewal date will continue to be the month of June. Membership has increased this year, which is great; hopefully we will maintain our numbers. With our National Conference in Newfoundland this year, I hope we will be able to attract more members from the east. Please encourage your friends and colleagues to become members and maintain their membership, not only when the conference is coming to their area, but to help out with their local Chapters. As we all are aware of the reorganizing in our health care system today, the benefit of being a member are:

1. On-going networking with colleagues from across the country;
2. keeping abreast of current research and technology;
3. position statements and guidelines;
4. scholarships;
5. CSGNA website and our goal of certification.

Please fill out membership application forms when you renew and send any changes of name or address to the address below. One major problem with any forms sent in to the executive (membership application or conference registration), is the ability to read the names and addresses, please print!
Past presidents or honoree members to maintain your membership please fill out the membership form and return it to the membership chair each year to keep your information current.

Please direct your membership application to:
Edna Lang
CSGNA Treasurer/Membership Chair
27 Nicholson Dr, Lakeside NS B3T1B3

Sincerely
Edna Lang

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SYNOPSIS: BOARD OF DIRECTORS MEETING HALIFAX
APRIL 13-14, 2002

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:
A motion to accept the agenda for this meeting as written was passed. Nala/Evelyn.

REGIONAL REPORTS:
Directors reported their chapters had successful education days, with good attendants. This will be in their report in this issue of the Guiding Light. The Central Ontario Chapter our 16th Chapter of CSGNA is formed. Their Executives are, President - Daniela Abbruzzese, Secretary - Janet Young-Laurin, and Treasurer - Heidi Farman. They have had two education events so far, and are located in Barrie, Ontario. A warm welcome. Edmonton has new Chapter Executives. Chairperson - Shelley Bible, Secretary - Tammy Grund. Education Committee - Yvonne Melnychuk, Pam Blakely, and Diane Fison. Welcome to all.

BOARD STRUCTURE:
New Board structure was discussed at length, also their stay in office. It was decided that the new structure would be more advantageous for the CSGNA, in continuity, mentoring, and shorter terms. This structure was accepted by all. See Bylaws 10.0, 11.0, and 11.1

STRATEGIC PLAN:
Duties of the Chapter Executives will be added to the Bylaws. Chapters should be encouraged to sponsor their Presidents for the annual conference. Education Director should receive education days from Chapters.

COMMITTEE TERMS OF REFERENCE:
There are five committees, Bylaw, Education, Finance, Vendor, and Nomination. See Bylaws for their Duties. There were many changes and revisions of the Bylaws. Members will have the opportunity to vote on these when they receive the Annual Report. There were ten applications for annual scholarships, and four for CAGIE received to date. Two day program for processing flexible endoscopes were presented to the Board. Practice issue regarding water bottles after ERCP, in consultation with Michele Alfa, and SGNA education practice committee, water bottles should be changed after each ERCP. Financial Balance of December 31, 2001. GIC $145,668.79, Educational $7061.15. Operational $10,655.77.

Membership in general have decreased.
Vendor questionnaire returned and tabulated after Edmonton Conference, on the whole positive feedback. Vendors were pleased they had the opportunity to participate in the survey. GI nurses day, we will continue to promote prevention of colon cancer. Nominations received to date, Canada West - one, Centre - two, East - nil, Newsletter - one, closing date for nominations April 30, 2002.

CONFERENCE PLANNING:
Annual Conference Newfoundland September 21-22. Registration Members $240.00 non members $300.00 Late registration $60.00 per person.
One day fee members $120.00 non members $175.00 Core Curriculum Members 50.00 Non members $100.00.
Website: All information is posted for Newfoundland conference. Air Canada has discount fares. Address is www.csgna.com

FUTURE CONFERENCES:

TELECONFERENCE:
June 5th, 7:30 p.m. EST.

Respectfully Submitted by,
Elaine Binger CSGNA Secretary.

REPORT FROM THE EDUCATION CHAIR
This has been a very exciting year as we are moving towards Certification in Gastroenterology. In the last Guiding Light we provided you with a National Survey for CSGNA Certification exam. We have received so far 14% of responses from our Members. We urge you to return yours as soon as possible as it is important to get your feedback. The results are as follows:

QUESTION #1:
If CNA would recognize the American exam for Canadian Certification would you agree?
Yes=44 No=26 No answer=7

QUESTION #2:
Do you prefer a Canadian Exam?
Yes=31 No=41 No answer=5

QUESTION #3:
Would you like to participate to the development of the exam?
Yes=34 No=36
**QUESTION #4:**
When would you be ready to write the exam?
Immediately=16  12 years=24  35 years=5
C N A has committed to provide staff and funding to develop, administer and recertify nurses in gastroenterology Nursing. We are awaiting a work plan identifying activity, cost and responsibilities with timelines. This will occur at the end of June.

Very soon we will have in addition to the orientation manual a separate manual which will be a teaching guide for reprocessing of flexible endoscopes. This is a valuable tool to train dedicated personnel to clean scopes. The details will be on our website.

Scholarships: We have received 23 requests for annual scholarships and have granted 10. We have also granted 2 Regional scholarships. CAG has donated scholarships to 2 nurses one in Research and one as staff nurse and we thank them for their continuing support.

Please let us know your expectations from the Education Committee. Remember we are there for you.

Michele Paquette CGRN
CSGNA Education Chair

**GI NURSES’ DAY AT THE ROYAL ALEXANDRA HOSPITAL**
Edmonton, Alberta

The Royal Alexandra Hospital Endoscopy Staff set up a booth for May 10, 2002-GI Nurses’ Day. Their booth included a video from the Canadian Cancer Society called Healthy Food Choices which they ran continuously for visitors to watch. They also handed out pamphlets from the Canadian Cancer Society called:

- 510 a Day
  Are You Getting Enough?
  *produced jointly with the Heart and Stroke Foundation*

- Facts on Colorectal Cancer
- Stomach Cancer: What You Need To Know

A poster board was made from a slide presentation given by Dr. Clarence Wong, Gastroenterologist. It gave the recent Colon Cancer statistics for Canada.

Thank you to Boston Scientific for your donation of Popcorn, for everyone who stopped at the booth.

Great effort!

Tell us about your GI Nurses’ Day. You can submit your ideas to our Newsletter Editor or to your Regional Representative. Inspire others to try something new!

Submitted by Judy Langner
CSGNA

**DIRECTOR PRACTICE REPORT**

At the present time I am writing Guidelines for Assisting with Bronchoscopy and a Position Statement on Nurse performed Flexible Sigmoidoscopy. Both of these will be ready to present to the membership at the 2003 General Meeting in Toronto.

Submitted by Jean Macnab

**DIRECTOR CANADA WEST REPORT**

Nala Murray – May, 2002

I am pleased to report the CSGNA Chapters of the West are alive and well. I am in awe of the resourcefulness and expertise found in all of the members of these groups. I know now that I do not need to venture too far to find bright and useful/helpful information. For instance, the Edmonton Chapter has wonderful information on Ergonomics. Anti-fatigue floor mats, abdominal pressure bolsters, extension bars for stretcher pump levers and other hints. The Saskatchewan Chapter has developed Videos and PowerPoint presentations just to name a few. Most of the Kelowna Chapter Members are Certified CGRNs. Not leaving anyone out. I am proud to present of all of these Chapters.

Linda Benoit shared this picture with us. Picture taken at Wascana Rehab Centre, Regina, SK, for GI Nurses Day May 10, 2002.
CHAPTER REPORTS:

MANITOBA CHAPTER

Sylvia Dolynchuk will complete her second term as President of the Manitoba Chapter. She welcomes Janette McCalla as incoming President and Janet Shymanski as Secretary. The transfer of duties will take place in June. Donna Dunford will continue as Treasurer. The Manitoba Chapter continues to focus on Education, Standards of Care and G.I. practices and networking. Their meetings are held at various sites to encourage attendance and interest. The Chapter held a dinner meeting April 29th with Dr. Gurpal Sandhu, Therapeutic Endoscopist, who presented “Advancements and Management of Upper G.I. Bleeding”.

Brandon Manitoba Health Sciences Center has a new Endoscopy Unit. We hope that Denise Thompson and Cathie Dicky can recruit some more members from the area.

EDMONTON CHAPTER

Secretary Tammy Grund reports that 20 members attended a meeting held on April 25th. Guest speakers Barbara Perry and Debbie Allan from the AARN spoke to the members on the role of the Association and how they support Nurses. Legalities of documentation was raised by the question “How late can a “late entry” be?” Discussions regarding Staffing guidelines, Informed consent and Scope of practice proved to be very informative and interactive. The chapter is working on fund-raising with hopes of sending members to St John’s in September.

They welcomed two new members to St John’s in September. They are looking forward to networking, CSNGA Conference in St. John’s and to host another half day Education Session, which are always well attended. Still in the planning, the date for a half day session on Diseases of the Esophagus, CEU’s were offered through the SGNA. The event was free to members and over 80 participants attended.

On April 27, the Chapter hosted a full day educational session with the Morning session focusing on Dysphagia and the afternoon session on Colitis.

Wrapping up the day was our President, Lorie McGeough, speaking on Computer Use-In the GI Workplace. 65 registrants attended and evaluations were very positive.

They are now gearing up to host the National CSNGA Conference in 2004. The Co-chairs for the event are Deb Erickson and Debbie Taggart. The Chapter is working on developing an exciting and stimulating program that will be of interest to the Novice and experienced GI staff. Some members will be attending the Annual CSNGA Conference in St. John’s and are looking forward to networking, learning and socializing with our colleagues from across the country.

OKANAGAN CHAPTER

Chapter President Linda Fransden reports that the Chapter was fortunate to have been involved in two evening presentations recently. The first was by Dr. Simon Huang, a Rheumatologist who spoke on the Management and Other Approaches to Arthritis and I.B.D., using Remacade. The second was by Dr. Robert Enns, Gastroenterologist, who’s talk was on Complicated Reflux “When do I Scope and Why”. Both Speakers presented very interesting information. A new Chapter Executive will be elected in June and names will be forwarded as soon as the votes are in.

VANCOUVER ISLAND CHAPTER

Chapter President Irene Only reports that their Chapter’s activities include monthly one-hour in-services pertaining to new equipment and accessories. A four-hour presentation by on Inflammatory Bowel Disease by Dr. Petrunia was well attended by Chapter Members.

Pat Savage has resigned as Secretary. Their next meeting will be held in June, focusing on recruitment to fill vacancies and to establish a fundraising strategy.

Many members of the Vancouver Island Chapter are anxiously awaiting the Canadian Certification Exam.

VANCOUVER REGIONAL CHAPTER

Chapter President Gail Whitley reports that the Chapter is planning to host another half day Education Session, which are always well attended. Still in the planning, the date will be Early September. The Chapter hopes to recruit a New Executive. The Chapter is providing support to any Vancouver Regional Chapter Member that requests in writing, to attend the upcoming CSNGA Conference in St John’s. Depending on the number of requests the process of choosing would be similar to a scholarship award. The Chapter invites such requests. Gail Whitley will accept all applications.

Respectfully submitted by Nala Murray CSGNA Director Canada West - May 29, 2002
CANADA EAST REPORT

On May 23 an education half-day on scope cleaning and infection control was sponsored by Carsen. The session was well attended by representatives from infection control, operating room, E.N.T., medical processing dept., technical services and the endoscopy units. Following the session representatives had a chance to exchange practices and ideas.

The NF & Lab. Chapter have been very active and busy with the upcoming conference. We are looking forword to be able to present an informative conference and meet with our colleagues and company representatives.

I will be ending my term as director in Sept. and a representative has been submitted. Thank-you for the opportunity to be part of this association and to work with our colleagues and company representatives.

Sincerely,
Linda Feltham

BEYOND THE SHORE, THERE’S A PLACE WHERE NATURE COMES IN ONE SIZE.

In keeping with the theme for Newfoundland, where our national meeting is being planned for us. Those of you who have been a part of the planning committee for a national conference knows how much time, energy, dedication and team work is involved. The planning committee of St. John’s, under the chairperson Linda Feltham, is no exception. By now a lot of the planning and brainstorming of ideas have been done.

The task of putting it together is the job at hand. Those in Edmonton, (and all the other host cities in the past), who did a great job last year can appreciate what the group in St. John’s are going through trying to put on a great, informative and fun conference for our members.

We look forward to seeing you all out on the rock. To the planning groups we thank you in advance, and even though I know the stress level is at its peak, I know it will be a wonderful experience. BRAVO TO ALL OF YOU!!!

It has been 2 years since I agreed to join the National group, and I have agreed to continue for a second term. This job could not be done without your help and support, so it is only right that I show my gratitude to all of you. I would like to thank each of you that have submitted articles or shared ideas or have helped me grow into this position. I have learnt a lot and I look forward to your ongoing sharing of ideas and knowledge to our members.

Submitted by your editor.
Kay Rhodes

CERTAIN PRACTICES ACROSS THE COUNTRY

Hi Everybody, I am doing a random survey about:
1. Is your practice to use a single gastroscope for an EGD/sigmoidoscopy on the same patient? ☐ Yes ☐ No Comments __________________________
2. Do you use: ☐ Olympus ☐ Pentax ☐ Fujinon
3. What HDL do you use?
4. Do you reuse any single-use items? ☐ Yes ☐ No Which ones?
5. Your place of work and city (since I may not know that from your email address)
6. Have you implemented random/routine scopeswabbing? ☐ Yes ☐ No Are you considering implementing such a program? ☐ Yes ☐ No Comments __________________________

I sincerely appreciate your time in answering these questions and would be happy to share the info with all interested. Debbie Taggart, Regional Instructor, GI, Calgary Health Region (403) 219-1545 or (403) 291-1599 (fax) Debra.taggart@calgaryhealthregion.ca

CSGNA NATIONAL CONFERENCE

IN ST. JOHN’S, N.F.

September 19th- 22nd, 2002
AIR CANADA.
Our convention number is CV414566
PHONE:
1-800-361-7585 or 514-393-9494

By ensuring that the convention number appears on your ticket, you will be supporting our organization. CSGNA, NF. & LAB. CHAPTER, thanks you.

Due to the timeframe that the annual report was posted to you, our members. The date for ballots and votes for the Canada Centre position has been postponed to August 15th, 2002.
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Thanks
Kay Rhodes
FIRST LIGHT...
LEADING THE WAY

CSGNA Conference
St. John’s, Nfld
Sept 20-21, 2002
First Light – Leading The Way

OBJECTIVES
- To encourage interdisciplinary exchange of information with colleagues.
- To provide current information in the field of gastroenterology.
- To provide opportunity to view current endoscopic equipment and accessories.
- To promote membership and obtain support from fellow colleagues.
- To plan future direction and growth of CSGNA.
- To encourage participants to share and exchange information of clinical and research interests.
- To foster collaboration between nurses and physicians.

EDUCATION PROGRAM
THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2002
18:00-20:00
Registration
20:30-22:30
WINE/ CHEESE RECEPTION
FOR DELEGATES AND VENDORS
Sponsored by SciCan
FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2002
07:00-08:00
Registration/Continental Breakfast
08:00-08:10
Opening Ceremonies
08:15-09:00
Colorectal Cancer Association of Canada Promotion and Focus
Speaker TBA
09:00-10:00
Current Issues in Infection Control
“Re-use Issues”
Linda Kingsbury, RN, BScN, CIC
10:00-11:00
Nutritional Break and Viewing of Exhibits
11:00-12:00
CSGNA Business Meeting
“Update on Canadian Certification”
Leslie Ann Fardy, RN, BScN, CNA
Certification Chair
12:00-13:00
Lunch
13:00-14:00
GENETICS
Identification and Management of Hereditary Colon Cancer”
Dr. Jane Green, Geneticist, PhD
“Colorectal Cancer Research”
Ms. Elizabeth Dicks, RN, MN
14:00-15:00
INFLAMMATORY BOWEL DISEASE
“Inflammatory Bowel Disease in the Pediatric Patient”
Dr. David Price, MD, FRCSC
“Caring for a Child with Inflammatory Bowel Disease and Ostomy”
Parent Testimonial
15:00-16:00
Nutritional Break and Viewing of Exhibits
16:00-16:30
ACHALASIA
Dr. John Fardy, MD, MSc, FRCPC
16:30-17:00
INTERNATIONAL NURSING
Lorie McQuough, RN and Marlene Scrivens, RN
19:00-22:30
DINNER THEATER
Sponsored By Carsen
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 21, 2002
07:00-08:00
Registration/Continental Breakfast
08:00-10:00
Breakout Sessions
(Choose 3 out of 6 Sessions)
1. Endo Capsule
Jennifer Pardy, Southmedic
2. Advanced Practice
Betty Lundyginan, RN, MN
3. Safety Issues (Gluderaldehyde & OPA)
Ms. Madeline Fatenaude, RN, CPN(C)
4. Endocinch
Ms. Cathy MacDonald, RN
5. Certification
CNA Representatives: Leshe Ann Ratty, RN, BScN, CNA
6. CSGNA Position Statement/ Guidelines
Ms. Jean McNab, RN
10:00-1:00
Nutritional Break and Viewing of Exhibits
11:00-12:00
ILEAL POUCH
“Ileal Pouch: Indications, Procedure and Outcomes”
Dr William Pollett, MD, FRCSC
Vivian Wass, RN, BN and ET
12:00-13:00
Lunch
13:00-14:00
“New Techniques Towards Optimal Management of GI Bleeds”
Dr. Ford Bursey, MD, FRCPC, FACP
14:00-15:00
Nutritional Break and Viewing of Exhibits
15:00-16:00
MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER
Ms. Sherry Rumbolt, RN
16:00-16:30
CLOSING CEREMONIES
Ms. Lorraine Miller Hamlyn, Outgoing President CSGNA
Ms. Lorie McQuough, Incoming President CSGNA
Ms. Gail McDermott, Overview of 2003 GSGNA Conference
Passing Over the Bell
18:00
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07:30-08:00
Registration (Members $50) for Foundation in Gastroenterology (Includes Continental Breakfast)

08:00-12:00
Review of Gastroenterology Nursing/Preparation for Certification Cindy Hamilton, RN, CGRN

FACULTY
Dr. Ford Bursey, MD, FRCPC, FACP - Health Sciences Center, St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador
Ms. Elizabeth Dicks, RN, AW, Coordinator of Colorectal Cancer Project - Patient Research Center, St. John's, Newfoundland and Labrador
Dr. John Pardy, MD, MSc, FRCPC - Health Sciences Center, St. John’s, Newfoundland and Labrador

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Food Safety Tips and Techniques

We want you to enjoy healthy and safe grill cooking, so here are some hints for basic barbecue hygiene:

Bacteria are living organisms that grow and multiply rapidly in warm, moist foods. Marinate meat in the refrigerator and take it out a half hour before cooking, if you want to start grilling it at room temperature.

Marinades should never be saved to be used on a later day. If you are going to use it to serve with your meat, be sure to bring it to a boil before serving.

Cook hamburgers to an internal temperature of 155°F (68°C), or until no pink remains in the meat. Consumption of undercooked ground beef has the potential of causing a type of food poisoning called “Hamburger Disease”. This disease is a result of the meat being contaminated by a strain of E. coli bacteria, which, if the meat is not thoroughly cooked can survive and cause serious illness.

Use a different platter and utensils for the cooked meat than the ones you used to bring the raw meat our to the grill. This will prevent cross contamination of bacteria.

Always use a meat thermometer to determine if the meat that you are cooking has reached the desired temperature. This helps to make certain that potential bacteria are destroyed. Using a thermometer also ensures that you don’t overcook your food. You will be sure to have tender, juicy chickens and roasts every time.

Wash poultry thoroughly prior to cooking. Cook large chickens and turkeys using a meat thermometer to an internal temperature of 180°F (82°C).

Leave the grill on HIGH for 5 minutes after cooking is complete, to clean residual food and fat from the cooking grids.

**FLARE-UPS**

The fats and juices that drip down from foods onto a heated vaporizer, cause flare-ups that give them their distinct outdoor flavor. However, excessive flare-ups should be avoided, as it can ruin your meal. Common causes of flaring are: cooking over too high a heat setting, high fat content of foods, or a grease build-up on the vaporizer.

We recommend that meat be cooked at the MEDIUM setting, especially when cooking for a long period of time. Remove all extra fat from meats and poultry before putting it on the grids. Keep the vaporizer free of grease build-up by burning it off after every cookout. Should excessive flaring occur, turn the heat setting to LOW or turn off one burner and move the food to the grid above the unlit burner. To put out an excessive flare-up, sprinkle a small amount of baking soda on the vaporizer.

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Dear Chapter members,

The CSGNA is soliciting poster presentations for the 2002 annual course. We would like to encourage each Chapter to submit a poster. This year we will hold a contest and the winners will be selected by the delegates by means of a vote.

THE POSTERS WILL BE JUDGED ACCORDING TO THE FOLLOWING CRITERIA:

- Clarity of description of the content (3 points)
- Feasibility of application to a variety of settings (3 points)
- Originality of presentation (3 points)
- Presentation as per information provided in the letter and in the “Guiding Light”

Poster presentations are one method of presenting articles, projects or research at a professional conference which the CSGNA has continued to include in their curriculum. There have been very informative displays at our previous conferences and we would love to see more at the 2002 CSGNA conference in St. John’s.

The poster can be of a research nature, information or project. All posters should include an abstract which would include the author’s name with credentials, place of employment and current position.

Research posters to include a research question(s) or hypothesis, methodology, data analysis findings, implications for practice and conclusions. New programs or projects include introduction and purpose, principal theme of subject, implications to practice and summary. Information posters can be done with a chart and / or graph form display including objectives.

Posters should be of uniform size-bristol board 22x28 in. Application of material can be glued on or written on posters, colour of your choice. The posters will be displaced at the conference Chapter representatives should bring their poster as soon as they arrive for registration.

SUGGESTED TOPICS MAY INCLUDE BUT NOT LIMITED TO:

- Bowel preps for colonoscopy-what are the choices
- Support groups for the GU patient
- Development of procedure brochures for the GI patient
  - Manometry
  - New therapeutic procedures

For further reference reading on development a poster presentation one can refer to:

*“The Poster Session” An overlooked management tool. Journal of Nursing Administration 18(7,8) 29-33,1988
*“Clinical Nurse Specialist” vol 8, no 3. 152-155. 1994
*“The Guiding Light” March issue 1998
APPLICATION FORM
FOR CSGNA REGIONAL SCHOLARSHIPS AWARD

The Regional Conference award of $400.00 is to be used for travel and accommodation to a Regional Conference in Canada. Six scholarships will be awarded yearly.

EXCEPTIONS:

1. Applicant cannot have received THIS award in the previous two years.
2. Current members of the Executive and Conference Planning Committee are not eligible for this award.
3. Scholarships are available only to active members.

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING WITH THIS APPLICATION:

1. A written summary of how this scholarship and attendance at the proposed meeting would benefit you in your work.
2. A current Curriculum Vitae.
3. Please specify your past involvement in the CSGNA: e.g., acted as speaker at a meeting, actively recruited new members for CSGNA, aided in the formation of a local Chapter, served on an Ad Hoc Committee, and any Newsletter articles submitted. Describe your current involvement with your Chapter: e.g., fundraising or planning Chapter conferences.
4. Outline projected financial needs to attend this meeting.
5. Geographical location and related travel expenses will be taken into consideration by the Education Committee when scoring applications.

APPLICATION FORM AND SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE EDUCATION CHAIR AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS AT LEAST 8 WEEKS PRIOR TO THE EVENT.

NAME: _____________________________

CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY: RN  BSN  BAN  MSN  OTHER________________________

HOME ADDRESS: ____________________________________________________________

CITY: ___________________________ PROV: ___________________________

POSTAL CODE: _______________ HOME TELEPHONE: (  ) ________________

FAX: (  ) ________________

NAME OF THE MEETING YOU WISH TO ATTEND: _____________________________

DATE OF THE MEETING: ___________________________

CITY WHERE PROPOSED MEETING WILL BE HELD: ___________________________

JOINED THE CSGNA IN ____ (year).

SIGNATURE ___________________________ DATE ___________________
APPLICATION FORM
FOR CSGNA ANNUAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

The Annual National Conference award of $700.00 is to be used for travel and accommodation to the Annual National Conference in Canada.

EXCEPTIONS:

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2. Current members of the Executive and Conference Planning Committee are not eligible for this award.
3. Scholarships are available only to active members.

PLEASE SUBMIT THE FOLLOWING WITH THIS APPLICATION:

1. A written summary of how this scholarship and attendance at the proposed meeting would benefit you in your work.
2. A current Curriculum Vitae.
3. Please specify your past involvement in the CSGNA: e.g., acted as speaker at a meeting, actively recruited new members for CSGNA, aided in the formation of a local Chapter, served on an Ad Hoc Committee, and any Newsletter articles submitted. Describe your current involvement with your Chapter: e.g., fundraising or planning Chapter conferences.
4. Outline projected financial needs to attend this meeting.
5. Geographical location and related travel expenses will be taken into consideration by the Education Committee when scoring applications.
6. Copy of CSGNA Membership Card.

APPLICATION FORM AND SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY THE EDUCATION CHAIR AT THE ABOVE ADDRESS BY MAY 1 OF THE CURRENT YEAR.

NAME: ____________________________________________________________

CIRCLE ALL THAT APPLY: RN BSN BAN MSN OTHER __________________________

HOME ADDRESS: __________________________________________________________________________

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HOSPITAL/EMPLOYER: ________________________________________________________________

WORK ADDRESS: ________________________________________________________________

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SIGNATURE ____________________________  DATE ________________
Application Form

For CAG Nurse Scholarship Prizes

The Canadian Association of Gastroenterologists (CAG) scholarship prizes are available to one research nurse and one endoscopy nurse in the amount of $500.00 each, to be used for travel to an appropriate endoscopic gastroenterology or research meeting. The CAG nurse scholarship prize is sponsored by an Educational Grant from the Canadian Association of Gastroenterology.

Eligibility:

1. You are and have been for two years or more, an active member of the CSGNA.
2. You actively support CSGNA goals and objectives.

Prize Applying For: (Please circle one) Research Nurse Endoscopy Nurse

Please submit the following with this application:

1. A two page summary of how this scholarship and attendance at the proposed meeting would benefit you in your research / endo - clinical role in gastroenterology, and what self initiated research projects you are involved in.
2. A current Curriculum Vitae.
3. A letter of reference from your Unit Director.
4. Two letters of reference from CAG members.
5. Copy of CSGNA Membership Card.

Application forms and submissions must be received by the education chair at the above address by February 15 of the current year. They will be forwarded to the secretary of the CAG for selection.

Name: 

Circle all that apply: RN BSN BAN MSN Other

Home Address: 

City: ____________ Prov: _______ Postal Code: ____________

Home Telephone: ( ) _____________ Fax: ( ) _____________

Hospital / Employer: 

Work Address: 

City: ____________ Prov: _______ Postal Code: ____________

Name of Director of Unit: 

Name of the Meeting you wish to attend: 

Date of the Meeting: _________ City Where Meeting Will Be Held: ___________

Joined the CSGNA in _________ (Year). E-Mail: ____________________________

Signature ____________________________ Date ____________________________
NOMINATION FORM

Please complete this form and submit to the Chair of the Nominations Committee (currently the President of the CSGNA) 150 days before the Annual Meeting for national office. Ballots will be sent to the active members 120 days before the Annual meeting and must be returned within 90 days.

Candidates must be active CSGNA members in good standing.

Name of nominee: ________________________________________________________________

Address: ________________________________________________________________

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Postal Code ________________________________________________

Phone (home)_________________________ (work) ________________________________

Employer: ________________________________________________________________

Title: ________________________________________________________________

Education: ________________________________________________________________

CSGNA member since: ______________________________________________________

Offices held: ________________________________________________________________

Committees: ________________________________________________________________

Other related activities: ______________________________________________________

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Explain what has led you to chose to run for national office? ________________________________

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I hereby accept this nomination for the position of __________________________

dated this ____ day of ______________________ 20____. Signed __________________________

Nominated by __________________________ & __________________________


**SIGNEA MEMBERSHIP**

**MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION**

**SOCIETY OF INTERNATIONAL GASTROENTEROLOGICAL NURSES AND ENDOSCOPY ASSOCIATES**

**Individual Membership**

Individual Memberships for Gastroenterological Nurses and Endoscopy Associates are available for $10.00 annually ($US).

**Affiliate Membership**

Individuals interested in joining SIGNEA, such as physicians, other medical professionals, and non G.E. nurses, pay affiliate membership fees of $50 annually ($US).

**National G.E. Nursing Organization Membership**

Membership in SIGNEA is available to national nursing organizations. Membership inquiries may be sent to the SIGNEA Secretariat. National G.E. Nursing organization dues are dependent upon the number of national members in each organization. Membership applications should be accompanied by payment and the name of the organization’s official contact person.

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SIGNEA welcomes corporate memberships by companies which supply G.E. products, drugs, general medical equipment and any service that would be utilized by G.E. nurses. Detailed corporate membership information may be obtained from: Pat Pethigal, Chair, fax: 206.223.6379, phone: 206.223.6965 or the SIGNEA Secretariat.

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**# Years Education/Training**

1 Year
2 Year
3 Year
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**WORKPLACE**

- Endoscopy Unit/Hospital
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- Inpatient/Outpatient

**POSITION**

- Administrative/Director
- Consultant Nurse
- Head Nurse
- Staff Nurse
- Supervisor/Coordinator
- Technician (Patient Care)
- Clinical Specialist
- Educator
- Researcher
- Technician (machine)
- Nurse Practitioner
- Manufacturer Representative
- Corporate nurse Consultant
- Other

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Kimberly Svevo, SIGNEA

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SGNA Membership Application

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Nickname ___________________________

Hospital/Office/Company Name ___________________________

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Please provide both addresses and check your preferred mailing address:

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2.) Position

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☐ Staff Nurse

☐ Nurse Practitioner

☐ Supervisor/ Coordinator

☐ Sales

☐ Technician (patient care)

☐ Technician (machine)

☐ Other ___________________________

3.) Memberships in Other Nursing Organizations (Check all that apply)

☐ ANA/SNA

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☐ Sigma Theta Tau

☐ Other ___________________________

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A. Membership (SGNA membership runs on a calendar year and is renewable by January 1 of the following year.)

Check the category of membership for which you are applying:

Voting Status Type Definition Annual Dues Prorated Dues

☐ Voting Licensed Nurse Limited to Registered Nurses and Licensed Vocational/ Practical Nurses involved in, or associated with, gastroenterology and/or endoscopy nursing practice $105.00 $60.00

☐ Voting Associate Limited to Assistive Personnel - technicians, technologists, assistants involved in, or associated with, gastroenterology and/or endoscopy nursing practice $105.00 $60.00

☐ Non-Voting Affiliate Includes, but is not limited to, physicians, consultants, industry representatives, educators involved in, or associated with, gastroenterology and/or endoscopy nursing practice $90.00 $45.00

SUBTOTAL A ___________________________

B. Regional Societies

All voting members (licensed nurses and associates) residing in the U.S. are required to affiliate with an SGNA regional society.

Regional Society preference (Indicate two-digit code of preferred region from the table listed on opposite page.): ___________________________

Regional Society Dues:

Voting Licensed Nurses and Associates No additional payment needed Included in Annual Dues Amount

Non-Voting Affiliate Optional payment, if interested please indicate preferred region above and remit an additional $15.00 (if after July 1, remit $75.00.)

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

(CHECK ONE)

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(COCHÈZ UN)

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☐ MEMBRE À VIE
Appointed by CSGNA Executive.

APPLICANT INFORMATION / INFORMATION DU MEMBRE

Please print or type the following information / S.V.P. imprimer ou dactylographier l’information

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