

CNA salutes Montreal hospital



The Jewish General Hospital in Montreal has earned the 2010 CNA Employer Recognition Award for its support of registered nurses who are interested in becoming certified. The JGH provides funding for nurses to register and take certification exams, allows them two paid study days, and hosts an annual luncheon to recognize RNs who achieve their certification. The hospital also gives RNs salary support while they are participating in developing certification exams. Several JGH nurses have written certification exam items and sit on the CNA Certification Program Specialty Examination Committee.

“Our nurses are very concerned about patient safety and quality of care, and are motivated to increase their knowledge and skills to ensure better outcomes for all our patients,” says JGH’s Valerie Frunchak, associate nursing director, maternal-child health, training and staff development. “We are delighted to be able to support them, and we are very honoured to achieve this recognition.”

Simcoe Muskoka District Health Unit in Barrie, Ont., Riverview Health Centre in Winnipeg, and Lakeridge Health in Oshawa, Ont., each received an honourable mention. Recipients of the CNA Employer Recognition Program Award for Innovation are Centre de santé et de services sociaux Drummond, Hôpital Sainte-Croix in Drummondville, Que., and Princess Margaret Hospital in Toronto.

We congratulate all of this year’s award-winning institutions for their exemplary efforts.