



## **MEDIA RELEASE**

For December 1, 2016 (Slave Lake, Alberta)

### **Practical Nurse Faculty at NLC receive Prestigious Leadership Award**

Northern Lakes College's Practical Nurse Faculty has a lot to celebrate – the Faculty recently received a prestigious leadership award and Instructor Anne Noseworthy was also singled out, receiving the David King Education bursary.

Faculty in the Practical Nursing program at Northern Lakes College have been awarded the Alberta Nursing Education Administrators Leadership (ANEA) Award. This is the first group to win the award as a team and the ANEA was, in part, compelled to award the Faculty as a group due to the high achievement level of Northern Lakes College's Practical Nursing program, which currently maintains a student national licensing exam pass rate of 98% on the first write. This figure is significantly higher than provincial and national averages, reflecting the innovative and effective efforts of instructional staff.

"The Faculty demonstrate a passion to support student success with outstanding instructional abilities, mentorship capabilities, and advocacy for exceptional patient care through education. The faculty both challenge and nurture students to provide care that is underpinned by the highest ethical standards" says Joanne Hunter, Chair of Practical Nurse and Community Health.

Northern Lakes College President Ann Everatt agrees. "Northern Lakes College's Practical Nurse faculty reflect some of the best distance learning has to offer. Despite the large size of our service region, our students have benefited from dedicated faculty as is evident by the student success graduate rate. Northern Lakes College could not be more impressed by our faculty's efforts and achievement."

NLC Instructor and Licensed Practical Nurse Anne Noseworthy was awarded the David King Education Bursary at the Canadian Licensed Practical Nurse Association Conference in Edmonton, Alberta. The bursary recognizes licensed practical nurses undertaking bachelor degrees that enhance the LPN role. Ms. Noseworthy is currently pursuing a degree in Adult Education, knowledge she will put to use to best train practical nurse students and strengthen the LPN community. Students, coworkers, and NLC administration couldn't be happier with the CLPNA's choice.

The Practical Nurse Program at Northern Lakes College is a very popular program and seats fill up very quickly. The program is delivered using a blended delivery combining face-to-face and distance learning activities. The 2017 program is currently full with a waitlist of students wanting to enter the program. For more information on the Practical Nurse program, please visit NLC's website at [www.northernlakescollege.ca](http://www.northernlakescollege.ca)

-30-

*Northern Lakes College is a Comprehensive Community Institution offering certificate and diploma programs in Business, Health Sciences, Human Services, Technology, Trades, University Studies and Academic Upgrading. The College collaborates with Campus Alberta partners to offer degree completion opportunities throughout its service region, including a Bachelor of Education. Northern Lakes College also provides a wide variety of certificate programs through its Continuing Education and Corporate Training Department.*

For more information on NLC, please visit: [northernlakescollege.ca](http://northernlakescollege.ca) | [twitter](#) | [facebook](#) | [instagram](#)

For additional information contact:

Valerie Tradewell  
Senior Director, College Advancement  
Northern Lakes College  
780-849-8621