# We are with you.

# WeRPN Student and New Grad\* Memberships

By choosing to study Practical Nursing, you've embarked on a life-changing journey.

As your professional association, WeRPN is here to support you throughout your studies, your entry into the profession, and your work as a Registered Practical Nurse.



#### Access to career services

We provide career development and <u>mentorship</u> programs specifically for students entering the Practical Nursing field. This includes our New Grad Workshops and <u>Toolkit</u>, and <u>Career Directions</u> career planning program. WeRPN also provides students with access to:

- Career coaching
- Mentorship opportunities
- Resume writing and interview preparation
- Job board

- Online tools and resources
- Continuing education
- Workshops
- Career profiles

#### **Bursaries and awards**

The Education Trust Fund offers WeRPN Student members in their first or second year of study access to educational bursaries valued at \$1000.

WeRPN-sponsors two Registered Nurses Foundation of Ontario (RNFOO) program awards that provide assistance valued at \$1000 to a Practical Nursing student who demonstrates high academic standing and a patient-centred approach to care, and two \$1500 Canadian Nurses Foundation scholarship awards.

## **Exam preparation support for PN students**

WeRPN offers three online modules to help PN students prepare for their upcoming REx-PN exam. This course is only available to WeRPN Student members, and can be accessed by logging in to the members' website, and the prep course is available in your LMS Dashboard.

# Service savings and retailer discounts

As a WeRPN student member, you get access to reduced rates on health and wellness services (including medical supplies and apparel such as scrubs and stethoscopes), home and auto insurance, group benefit plans, and financial services. You also receive special discounts from retailers including Costco, GoodLife Fitness, MBNA Mastercard, Perkopolis (e.g. fashion, home, electronics, travel, food & drink), and Rogers.

## Ongoing knowledge and skills enhancement

WeRPN's workshops and eLearning programs provide ongoing development so you can respond to the continually changing nursing environment. From Leadership and Nursing Research to Self-Care, Workplace Violence Prevention, and Infection Prevention & Control Basics for Healthcare Providers (CNA Accredited), our programs help you expand your expertise.

Practical Nursing students receive a special member rate of \$20 for one year or \$30 for two years. New Grads receive 50% off our Regular RPN annual membership fee.

# Join today!



Become a WeRPN Student <u>Ambassador</u>, and add to your resumé a commitment to professional practice. In addition, WeRPN Student Ambassadors gain relevant leadership experience.

# **Advocacy**

As the voice of Ontario's Registered Practical Nurses, WeRPN showcases the critical role that RPNs play in Ontario's health care system. Through our relationships with government and decision-makers, we make sure the perspectives and concerns of RPNs are heard. WeRPN has also partnered with organizations like the Canadian Nurses Association to develop RPN specialty certifications such as Medical-Surgical and Gerontology Nursing.

## We are stronger together!

Each new membership allows us to continue to grow the meaningful impact we have on behalf of all RPNs and Practical Nursing students.



"I feel I'm secure as part of a community of nurses."

- New Grad

"There are grants to do ongoing education. It's not just: 'here are some tools,' it's 'here are some tools – and a ladder.'"

- WeRPN Member

The benefits of membership have never been more important. Visit members.werpn.com/step-1 to join today and gain an edge on your nursing practice.

**Note for New Graduates:** To maintain a continuous membership, you are eligible to purchase a WeRPN Student or New Grad Unregistered with CNO until you obtain your CNO Registration number or up to six months after graduation, whichever comes first.



<sup>\*</sup>This membership is for Practical Nursing program students or for New Graduates who have not yet registered with the College of Nurses of Ontario (CNO).