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Forensic nurses in the news

Two Canadian forensic nurses are the recipients of awards that honour their work in forensic nursing.

Dr. Cathy Carter-Snell of Calgary, Alberta, has been awarded one of the 100 Centennial Awards for 2008 by the Canadian Nurses Association. This is a special award created to celebrate the professional and personal contributions of registered nurses resulting in significant impact on nursing in Canada. Cathy is curriculum coordinator and instructor of Forensic Studies at Mount Royal College in Calgary, AB, where she created and teaches the first online Forensic Studies courses in Canada. She also works as a sexual assault nurse examiner. She is a founding member of the Forensic Nurses Society of Canada and has also received provincial and international awards for her work in forensic nursing.

Tracie Jones of Langley, B.C., recently graduated from the British Columbia Institute of Technology Forensic Sciences program with her Bachelor of Technology in Forensic Science, becoming the first registered nurse to obtain this degree. She also received the Dean's Award for her leadership in her community, positive role modelling and outstanding academic achievement. Tracie is an emergency nurse with her Emergency Certification (CEN), as well as being a forensic nurse examiner with her international certification as a Sexual Assault Nurse Examiner Adult/Adolescents (SANE-A) at Surrey Memorial Hospital, Surrey, B.C.

Respectfully submitted, Sheila Early

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