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Wendy Nicklin receives HealthCareCAN's prestigious *Legacy of Leadership Award*

June 5, 2018 (St. John's) - HealthCareCAN is proud to announce Wendy Nicklin, as the recipient of its 2018 *Legacy of Leadership* award for her decades of service to the health of Canadians in various leadership roles.

The prestigious award recognizes exceptional individuals who have made long-lasting and outstanding contributions to advancing Canada's health system and have demonstrated significant and sustained commitment toward the enhancement of the health of Canadians.

"Throughout her tenure as a leader in our health system, Ms. Nicklin has not only positively and significantly changed the face of Canadian healthcare at the provincial and federal levels, but done so on a global scale as well" said Paul-Émile Cloutier, President and CEO of HealthCareCAN. "I could not think of a more worthy individual to nominate for this award."

"Wendy Nicklin is an inspiring leader who sees where the health system should be and strives to act as a catalyst in achieving a new and better future" said Dr. Gillian Kernaghan, President and CEO of St. Joseph's Health Care London.

A valued active partner in discussions about improving the quality of health care, Wendy Nicklin is a recognized health care leader across Canada and internationally. Obtaining her academic degrees at McGill University, Wendy has extensive experience as a critical care nurse and in progressive leadership positions. She has participated in many provincial and national initiatives, such as the National Steering Committee for Patient Safety, and was a founding Board member on the CPSI Board for 8 years, working to contribute to its establishment and success.

In 2015, after over 11 years at the helm, Wendy stepped down from the position of President and CEO of Accreditation Canada where she led a significant renewal of the approach to and value of accreditation.

Previously, Wendy received the Woman of Distinction Award – Health Services, the CNA Centennial Award, the CCHL Eastern Ontario Chapter Award for Distinguished Service, and the University of Ottawa Telfer School of Management Preceptor award.

HealthCareCAN's Legacy of Leadership award was presented at the 2018 National Health Leadership Conference on June 5th, 2018 in St. John's, Newfoundland.

HealthCareCAN is the national voice of healthcare organizations across Canada. We foster informed and continuous, results-oriented discovery and innovation across the continuum of healthcare. We act with others to enhance the health of the people of Canada; to build the capability for high quality care; and to help ensure value for money in publicly financed, healthcare programs.

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