

**Canadian Nurses for Health & the Environment (CNHE)**  
**Infirmières et Infirmiers pour la Santé et L'Environnement (IISE)**

*What happened in 2009 and looking into 2010*

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**Submitted Abstracts**

*CNA Article* – An abstract was been submitted on behalf of CNHE.

**Conferences**

The CNHE Executive is proud to announce its **FIRST national conference**, to be held in conjunction with the Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada, the Canadian Men in Nursing Group, and the Diabetes Nursing Interest Group of the RNAO - Linking our Knowledge through Diverse Interests.

Hilda Swirsky on behalf of the CNHE presented in October 2009 at the National Environmental Public Health Conference. The presentation was titled Canadian Nurses' Environmental Health Collaboration from Coast to Coast to Coast.

**Publications**

**This article was printed in the February 2010 addition of Canadian Nurse.**

[www.infirmiere-canadienne.com](http://www.infirmiere-canadienne.com)

**PROFILE: EMERGING GROUP**

**CNHE: Uniting to raise awareness, tackle environmental hazards**

**Teleconference calls**

Environmental Health and Nursing Education  
January 19<sup>th</sup>, 2010

**Membership**

Fee schedule decided upon by the group:

RNs.....	\$35
Supporters.....	\$35
Retired nurses, students, limited income.....	\$15
Limited Income.....	\$5
Students/Unwaged.....	Free
Affiliate or Group membership (one vote per group).....	\$35: (1-10 people)
	\$50: (>10-20 people)
	\$75: (20-10 people)

Membership Forms are available in French and English.

**Group Priorities**

a. Official French Name

As a group we have agreed that this would be: Infirmières et Infirmiers pour la Santé et L'Environnement (IISE).

b. Documents

Agreed that we need to have a bilingualism policy to conform to CNA and increase accessibility to French-speaking nurses. Group needs to develop a method in order to convert documents.

d. Reapplying for emerging group status with the CAN

Re-applying for emerging group status with the CNA will make us eligible for the 500\$ grant again as a new group...so that will help towards another teleconference/website dev. etc.

**Method for communication**

Listserv will continue to be used until the association website is up and running.