



ROSELLA KINOSHAMEG, RN, BScN, DSL (Honoris Causa)

Rosella Kinoshameg is an Anishinabe-kwe, Odawa/Ojibway who is fluent in her language and lives a traditional lifestyle in her community of Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve on Manitoulin Island, Ontario.

Rosella is a Registered Nurse who graduated from Marymount School of Nursing, Sudbury, in 1968, and obtained her B.Sc.N. from the University of Ottawa in 1977. University of Toronto's Regis College honoured her with the title of Doctor of Sacred

Letters, Honoris Causa, in November 1996.

For the past 43 years, Rosella has worked in a variety of settings such as hospitals (medical and psychiatric) and nursing home, and also as professor and consultant. She has spent 15 years working with First Nations communities in the diverse capacities of Community Health Nurse, manager/educator; Nursing Supervisor and Long-Term Care Case Manager. She recently finished a two year contract as the Health Services Director, Wikwemikong Health Centre, Wikwemikong Unceded Indian Reserve

She was elected President of Aboriginal Nurses Association of Canada (A.N.A.C.) at the 31st Annual General Meeting in Sudbury, ON, on October 21, 2006, (2006-2008, 2008-2010), and brought to A.N.A.C. a wealth of knowledge and expertise acquired during 12 years as a Board Member of Manitoulin Health Centre, including three years as Chair of the Board. At the present, she is the Chair of the Aboriginal Issues Group, Canadian Hospice Palliative Care Association (CHPCA). Her resume also included a member in the Cancer Care Ontario Regional-North East Council, past President of Wikwemikong Anishinabe Association for Community Living, and continuing volunteer participation in numerous other activities in her community.