

LEVEL OF DESCRIPTION:

Fonds

No.:

AU017

TITLE:

United Nurses of Alberta fonds

CREATOR:

United Nurses of Alberta

DATE RANGE:

1977-2010

EXTENT:

0.18 m textual records

ADMINISTRATIVE HISTORY:

The roots of the United Nurses of Alberta (UNA) began with the establishment of the Alberta Association of Registered Nurses in 1916 and then the Staff Nurse Associations in 1950. The United Nurses of Alberta emerged in 1977, representing over 3000 nurses in 50 health care institutions throughout the province. Whereas the organization's primary focus resided in collective bargaining for members, UNA also addressed broader issues related to labour, the status of women, and public health care advocacy. Today, UNA represents more than 24,000 Registered Nurses, Registered Psychiatric Nurses, student nurses, and allied health care professionals. Governed by a board and officers of elected nurses, UNA policies and directives are negotiated through provincial meetings of delegates and, in some cases, involve the direct engagement of the membership in its entirety. The *UNA NewsBulletin* is produced under the authority of the Executive as one of the primary modes of communication with its members.

SCOPE AND CONTENT:

The fonds consists of United Nurses of Alberta newsletters.

SOURCE OF TITLE:

Title taken from the contents of the fonds.

LANGUAGE NOTE:

The material is in English.

SOURCE OF ACQUISITION:

The records were deposited by Darlene Rathgeber, Director of Finance and Administrative Services, on behalf of United Nurses of Alberta, to the Thomas A. Edge Archives & Special Collections in 2011.

ACCESS CONDITIONS:

None.

USE CONDITIONS:

Permission for use required. Subject to *The Copyright Act*.

FINDING AIDS:

File list and digitized material is available.

INCLUDES THE FOLLOWING ACCESSIONS:

2011.016

Further accruals are not expected.

RELATED RECORDS:

Other records that pertain to United Nurses of Alberta can be found in the Yvonne Chapman fonds, Alberta Association of Registered Nurses Districts fonds, and the Gurty Chinell fonds, at the College & Association of Registered Nurses of Alberta Museum and Archives; and in the United Nurses of Alberta, Local 196 fonds, at the University of Alberta Archives.

GENERAL NOTE:

Information for the administrative history was taken from the United Nurses of Alberta website located at www.una.ab.ca/.

SUBJECT HEADINGS:

Public health nursing

Trade-unions

Women's rights

Work environment