Our Role in the Public Interest

Regulation

As a regulator accountable for public protection by ensuring members are competent, the SRNA:

• Establishes requirements for licensure
• Registers and renews licenses
• Establishes, monitors, and enforces practice standards, the Code of Ethics and a continuing competence program
• Provides practice advisement and support to members
• Approves nursing programs
• Establishes and maintains a professional conduct process

SRNA acts in the interest of the public to:

• Review and develop RN and NP legislation
• Engage effectively with members relating to strategic priorities in better regulation, better professional practice and collaboration
• Advocate for evidence-informed policies to promote patient-centred care
• Support and work with members to meet practice standards
• Promote patient safety

Association

As an association promoting the professional interest of its members in the public interest, the SRNA:

• Represents RNs and NPs to government, employers, and other agencies in the interest of the public
• Works collaboratively with other healthcare organizations
• Encourages members to influence policy, support quality practice environments
• Encourage leadership and member engagement
• Promotes evidence-based nursing
• Provides educational resources and opportunities

SRNA is not responsible to:

• Act in the interest of the member with regard to socio-economic issues. Unions protect and advance the health, social, and economic well-being of its members
• Negotiate collective agreements including hours, benefits, and compensation
• Manage conditions of employment or employment legislative provisions
• Act on incidents of employer non-compliance with the collective agreement
• Represent RN interests as they relate to employment human resources issues

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