## Welcome to ONA - Local 071 - Region 4

## ONA - Who We Are?

- Founded in 1973, the Ontario Nurses' Association (ONA) is the trade union that represents approximately 60,000 RNs and allied health professionals and more than 10,000 nursing student affiliates throughout Ontario. At **Local 071**, **Joseph Brant Hospital site**, we represent 520 members.
- As an ONA member you have:
  - o Protection at the workplace against unfair practices and unsafe work conditions.
  - Access to ONA education programs.
  - o Professional liability insurance.
  - Access to professional practice specialists.
  - Representation by a Human Rights and Equity Team (discrimination, harassment, etc.)
  - Access to the ONA benefits programs.
  - Access to Occupational Health and Safety specialists to provide assistance with Workplace Safety and Insurance Board claims.
  - Note that a gap of greater than six months in payments without a Leave of Absence will result in the loss of bona fide status.
  - Representation at government task forces/commissions.
- The Union assists its members:
  - At the bargaining table to set wages and working conditions for our collective agreement.
  - At Workplace Safety and Insurance Board hearings.
  - o At licensing hearings (i.e. College of Nurses of Ontario).
  - o In court, at inquests and Labour Relations Board hearings.

## **How to Reach Your Leaders**

## Please refer to the ONA Bulletin Board outside the Cafeteria for Committee and Unit Representatives

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Each unit has a representative who can also help direct your questions to the appropriate contact person.