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INCOMING PRESIDENT PREPARED FOR CHALLENGE

FREDERICTON, September 1, 2009 - Martha Vickers, Bathurst, assumes the Presidency of the 8,900 member Nurses Association of New Brunswick (NANB) for a two-year term.

In this role as President, Vickers will represent registered nurses and nurse practitioners not only provincially but nationally as member of the Board of Directors of the Canadian Nurses Association (CNA).

Vickers obtained a baccalaureate in nursing and a master's in nursing, advanced nurse practitioner stream, in 1985 and 2003 respectively from the University of New Brunswick (UNB). Vickers is currently a primary health care nurse practitioner at the Nepisiguit Medical Clinic, Bathurst, and part-time lecturer at UNB, Bathurst.

"The next two-years will prove to be challenging as we are indeed in the midst of unprecedented times in the history of Canada's health system, where the world will be faced with pandemic illnesses, diseases of aging and an increased need for health services in general," expressed Vickers, President of NANB. "As President, my principal objective will be to move from 'planning to action', implementing the voices of NB RNs in the next phase of the Association's Strategic Plan."

Active in professional affairs, Vickers is a member of the New Brunswick Nurse Practitioners Initiative and the Nurse Practitioners Therapeutics Committee.

Vickers mandate is effective September 1, 2009 through to August 31, 2011.

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