Advanced Practice Committee Annual Report Dec 11, 2023

It has been a busy year for the Advanced Practice Committee. Following the 2022 National Conference there was an increased interest in the on-line modules. CYCAA representatives presented information regarding both the online modules and the certification process to three ALIGN regional meetings, in addition to organizations across Canada.

We were very pleased to offer CYCAA Students Scholarships again this year. The 2023 student scholarship was awarded to Leticia Anim Kwarteng, a student at Grant MacEwan University. Congratulations, Leticia!

Behind the scenes, the AP Committee has been working to update the materials online as well as the Certification Process. As a result, the 2024 revision will be launched in the new year. The new certification exams have been adapted to be more inclusive of indigenous ways of knowing and practice, as well as reflective of the most recent best practices in Child and Youth Care in Canada. Subsequently, the online learning modules were reformatted, as were the certification manual, self-study guide, and supervisor guides.

It is anticipated that 2024 will see the growth of our Certification program, with more attention given to sharing the online modules and certification process that we offer. There are plans in place to offer Examiner Development courses online, to increase the capacity of our current examiner pool of members. Please watch the website, social media and emails for more information.

On Behalf of the Advanced Practice Committee,

Pennie Sibbald, Chair